



West Virginia Board of Examiners in Counseling
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Meeting Minutes

FRIDAY, April 16, 2021 @ 10:00 AM –12:00 PM

Board Minutes

The WV Board of Examiners in Counseling held a board meeting on April 16, 2021, via Zoom platform. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM by the Chair.

Board Members Present:

Lisa Westfall, Chair
Regina Burgess, Secretary
Guy Gage
Anthony Onorato
Lori Ellison
Patrick Ward

Others Present:

Cheryl Henry, Executive Director WV Bd. Of Counseling
Rachelle Martin, Program Manager WV Bd. Of Counseling

Quorum Established:

A quorum was established.

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Draft minutes were distributed for review prior to the meeting. A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the following minutes and approve:

- March 12, 2021 Emergency Board Meeting (M/S/P: Ellison/Gage)

Enter Executive Session: (M/S/P: Gage/Ward) 10:06 a.m.

Complaint Committee:

Updates/Statuses/Discussions

Case 04-20 - Complainant not cooperating with Investigator. Discussion of dismissal.

Case 10-20 – Completed supervision as outlined in consent agreement.

Case 02-21 – LPC requested Aaron Medina as ALPS Supervisor.

Case 07-21 – New complaint: provisional licensee accused of inappropriate relationship with client.

Thirty days to respond ends on April 29, 2021.



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Case 09-19 – LPC did not meet stipulations of consent agreement.

Old Business discussion (Executive Director and Program Manager left zoom during discussion) – Discussion of raise for Executive Director. Chair completed WV Div. of Personnel Evaluation and discussed with Executive Director. HR Committee and Finance committee has recommended a raise be given.

Exit Executive Session: (M/S/P: Onorato/Ward) 11:21 a.m.

Motion to approve raise for Executive Director in the amount recommended by HR Committee and Finance Committee. (M/S/P: Ellison/Gage)

Executive Director and Program Manager rejoined the board meeting upon conclusion of the above discussion and vote.

Case #04-20 – Motion to Dismiss, contingent on approval of dismissal from Attorney General representative, Keith Fisher. (M/S/P: Onorato/Elison)

Case #02-21 – Motion to approve Aaron Medina as ALPS Supervisor. (M/S/P: Gage/Ward)

Credentialing Committee:

New Provisional LPC's:

Deborah Armstrong
Catherine Harrison
Jennifer Mills
Valerie Nichols
Ashlee Parker Ward
Antoinette Pigatt
Angguna Rowe
Ruth Sheets
Teresa Wayman

New Full licensed LPC's:

Marion Bean-Moreland
Amy (Harrah) Bush
Courtney Drake
Carole Erwin
Kerry Harper
Kari Kahl
Hannah Karr
Sara Lacaria



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Lauren Latham
Kristen (Macias) Mumaw
Halie (Eldridge) Newsome
Stephanie Settle

New Licensed LPC's by Endorsement:

Paula (Jade) Adams-Maddox (Kentucky & Ohio)
Rachel Black (Florida)
Melisa Carrico (Maryland)
Ginger Dahl (Oklahoma & Texas)
Stephanie Dean (Louisiana)
Justin DeFonso (Pennsylvania)
James Frame (North Carolina)
John Haynes (Ohio)
Jared Neslen (Pennsylvania & Ohio)
Amanda Parry (Ohio)
Katherine Thompson (Pennsylvania)
Jamie Tuttle (Ohio)

New ALPS:

LeAnn Bates
Shelley Coleman
Sandra Farley
Tina Liong
Brynn Simmons
Travis Watson

NCE Exam/Temp Permit:

Nakia Austin
Katlin Christian-Webb
Mary Kefferstan
Caron Miller
Kendle Parsons
Fred Robinson
Marlene Smith
Mary Haley Shukla
Courtney Wheeling
Daria White
Jessica Williams



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A motion was made to accept the above list of LPCs & ALPS and Temporary Permits. (M/S/P: Gage/Onorato)

Executive Director's Report:

Database Update: ½ of database is complete. Meeting on 4/16 at 1:00 p.m. to finalize. A demo will be scheduled for the board.

Technology Update: New technology is currently working well.

2021 Renewals: Fifty renewals have been processed.

Budget meeting: Will be scheduled for finance committee.

Legislative Update:

SB 475 - pending

HB 2007 - Will not proceed further currently.

Treasury Office Conference: E.D. and Program Manager will attend April 19-22.

Medical Marijuana/LPC recommendation for treatment: Outside LPC scope of practice. LPC's should recommend consultation about use of medical marijuana.

Old Business:

Announcement of Governor's new Board appointment:

Duran Warren, Director of Behavioral Medicine, Williamson, WV has been appointed by the Governor to serve on the board beginning July 2021.

Next Board Meeting: Friday, May 21, 2021, via zoom platform.

Motion to Adjourn 11:59 PM (M/S/P: Gage/Onorato)

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Regina Burgess".

Regina Burgess, MS, CRC, LPC
Secretary