



West Virginia Board of Examiners in Counseling
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Meeting Minutes

FRIDAY, June 23, 2023 @ 10:00 AM

The WV Board of Examiners in Counseling held a board meeting on Friday June 23, 2023 at the board office. The meeting was called to order at 10:25 AM

Board Members Present:

Regina Burgess, Chair	Lisa Wesjall
Patrick Ward, Secretary	Jeffrey Culpepper
Anthony Onorato	Lori Ellison

Others Present:

Cheryl Henry, Executive Director WV Bd. Of Counseling
Rachelle Martin Program Manager WV Bd. Of Counseling
Joanne Vella, AG Representative

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 as distributed/printed:

April 14, 2023, May 12, 2023 (M/S/P: Wesjall/Onorato)

Enter Executive Session: (M/S/P: Ellison/Onorato) TIME 10:27 AM

Complaint Committee - Board reviews new complaints, current, and ongoing complaint investigations.

Exit Executive Session: (M/S/P: Wesjall/Ward) TIME 12:09 PM

Board Response to Complaint Cases

Based on legal updates from AG, the board initiated a complaint that will be sent to investigator, (M/S/P: Ellison/Culpepper).

AG is scheduling a hearing for complaint 15-21



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Credentialing Committee: Committee recommended the following applicants for Licensure

ALPS

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| 1. Sara DiSimone | 5. Nicole O'Barto-Trainer |
| 2. Katherine Eye | 6. Heather Ryan |
| 3. Teresa George | 7. Emily Soffel |
| 4. Krista Neophytou | 8. Timothy Underwood |

Full LPC

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|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Nakia Austin | 10. Wilson Harvey |
| 2. Amy Barkley | 11. Tanisha Hughes |
| 3. Rebecca Bennett | 12. Linda Johansson |
| 4. Robert Bradley | 13. Katherine Lewis |
| 5. Eli Bresock | 14. Kendle Martin |
| 6. Jose Cruz | 15. Angguna Rowe |
| 7. Erica Ellis | 16. Faria Sepahrokh-Summers |
| 8. Ann Flynt | 17. Marlene Smith |
| 9. Randy Glasscock | 18. Brandi Trail |

NCE Only

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| 1. Gwyneth Fortney | 3. Sarah Rice |
| 2. Taneisha Poore | 4. Kristie Williams |

NCE & TP

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| 1. Jenna Adkins | 5. Kendra Pullen |
| 2. Jessica Kleiser | 6. Benjamin Saenz |
| 3. Kalvan Palmer | 7. Emily Wagner |
| 4. Melinda Parkins | |

Provisional

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| 1. Mia Angalich | 6. Emily Poznanski |
| 2. Tammy Harrah | 7. Julie Preast |
| 3. Leah Kersey | 8. Joshua Thornton |
| 4. Sina King-Smith | 9. Luna Ugrenovic |
| 5. Madeline Murphy | |



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Endorsement Opt. 1

1. Marie Celano
2. Seon Kim
3. Jennifer Varley

Endorsement Opt. 2

1. Kelsey Hogan
2. Rebecca Owens
3. Autumn Smith

A motion was made to accept the above list of LPCs, LMFTs, and ALPS. (M/S/P: Westfall/Onorato)

Executive Director's Report:

- A. Thentia update - database is complete
- B. License renewal update - As of today, they have processed 791 LPC and 12 LMFT renewals. Discussed changes to renewal cycles.
- C. Cheryl is attending and facilitating a session at the CCE Conference held 7/26 - 7/29/23.
- D. Discussed ALPS jurisprudence exam and board recommends tutorial type.
- E. Discussed forming a committee for review and revision of board documents, rules and applications. Durand Warren, Lori Ellison, and Tony Onorato are recommended for this committee.
- F. Reviewed informational session with OHFLAC surveyors that occurred 04/19/2023.
- G. New board member update: To replace Lisa Westfall, candidates were put forward to the governor's office.

Miscellaneous/Other Business:

- A. Discussed the need for a financial report to address budgetary concerns.
- B. Election of officers for FY 2024. Regina Burgess nominated for Chair and Patrick Ward nominated for Secretary. (M/S/P: Westfall/Ellison).
- C. Creation of Rules Revision Committee to include Telehealth permission for the Provisional and Temporary Permit licensee that would include OHFLAC, DHHR and other stakeholders. Warren, Onorato, and Ellison are serving on this committee. See Executive Directors Report, Section E above.

Next Board Meeting: August 25th, 2023 at 10:00 AM via Zoom meeting.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made at 2:21 p.m. (M/S/P: Westfall/Onorato)

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrick Ward", written over a horizontal line.

Patrick Ward
Secretary