



**West Virginia Board of Examiners in Counseling**  
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**Meeting Minutes**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023 @ 10:00 AM

The WV Board of Examiners in Counseling held a board meeting on October 20, 2023, at the board office. The meeting was called to order at 10:38 AM.

**Board Members Present:**

Patrick Ward, Secretary  
Anthony Onorato  
Lori Ellison  
Durand Warren

**Others Present:**

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

**Quorum Established:**

A quorum was established.

**Public Comment:**

Will Swann, representative from Teledoc, was present to discuss telehealth rules.

**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:  
August 25, 2023: (M/S/P: Warren/Onorato)

**Enter Executive Session:** (M/S/P: Warren/Onorato) 11:25 AM

**Complaint Committee** - Board reviews new complaints, current, and ongoing complaint Investigations

**Exit Executive Session:** (M/S/P: Onorato/Warren) 12:16 PM

1. 06-23 - Motion to dismiss Onorato/Warren/Passed
2. Unlicensed practitioner - Referred to county prosecutor

**Credentialing Committee:** Committee recommended the following applicants for Licensure



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**Permission to Test and/or Temporary Permit**

1. Lauren Batson- NCE & TP
2. Joshua Bommer- NCE & TP
3. Kayli Carter- NCE & TP
4. Robin Corbin- NCE & TP
5. Emily Cinnamon- NCE & TP
6. David Grozinsky- NCE only
7. Elizabeth Hofmeister- NCE & TP
8. Mackenzie Lilley- NCE only
9. Patrick McMumm- NCE only
10. Julia Romano (pending receipt and approval of syllabi related to Practicum)

**Provisional**

1. Kathryn Bolt
2. Maggie Canoy
3. Mary Colbert
4. Elizabeth Ellsworth
5. Brianna Farnsworth
6. Stephanie Frohnen
7. Cameron Hayes
8. Kathryn LaVerdiere
9. Ashley Lusk
10. Olivia Olivito
11. Julia Wingard

**Endorsement - LMFT**

1. Maureen Davey (pending approval of syllabus)

**Endorsement - LPC**

1. Raeann Boothe (Opt. 2)
2. Alison Browning (Opt. 2)
3. Elizabeth Carroll (Opt. 2)
4. Adrienne Clinton (Opt. 1)
5. Laura Kohn (Opt. 1)
6. Nicole Melchi (Opt. 1)
7. Daniella Parrish (Opt. 1)
8. Anna Swogger (Opt. 2)
9. Alen Twigg (Opt. 1)



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**Full LPC/LMFT**

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Julie Binion             | 5. Donna Niggemyer  |
| 2. Diana Elkins             | 6. Taylor Overholt  |
| 3. Alicia Godels-Blackshere | 7. Rebecca Taylor   |
| 4. Adam Hansell             | 8. Jessica Williams |

**ALPS**

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|-------------------------|---|
| 1. Gary Ammons          | 7. Kerry Harper   |
| 2. Rachel Balridge-Bush | 8. Sandra Kline Mortimer (pending receipt and approval of revised Professional Statement) |
| 3. Yukiko Comstock      | 9. Samantha Mann  |
| 4. Adrienne Epley Brown | 10. Lori Thompson   |
| 5. Jerry Gibson         |   |
| 6. Pamela Gibson        |   |

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

**Executive Director's Report:**

- A.** Discussed potential increase of meeting dates for issuance of licenses
- B.** Thentia update
- C.** Chapter 30 Licensing Seminar - November 2, 2023; Charleston, WV
- D.** AASCB Annual Conference - January 7-9, 2024, Tucson, AZ
- E.** FARB Annual Conference - January 25-28, 2024; Fort Worth, TX
- F.** ALPS Jurisprudence exam is discussed
- G.** Legislative Update
- H.** ED Pending Annual Leave discussed

**Miscellaneous/Other Business:**



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- A. D. Warren discussed possible renaming of provisional license. Warren will reach out to coordinate further discussion of name change with interested parties.
- B. Art Therapist certification parity with LPC/LMFT is discussed.

**Next Board Meeting:** December 1, 2023, via Zoom at 10:00 AM.

**Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn was made at 2:00 p.m. (M/S/P: Onorato/Warren)

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrick Ward".

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Patrick Ward  
Secretary