MEETING MINUTES TENNESSEE BOARD FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, MARITAL AND FAMILY THERAPISTS, AND CLINICAL PASTORAL THERAPISTS' MINUTES

DATE: June 4, 2021

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Health Related Boards Conference Center

Poplar Room, 665 Mainstream Drive

Nashville, TN 37243

BOARD MEMBERS Susan Hammonds-White, Chair

PRESENT: Kimberly Speakman

Shelly Steel Jennifer Little

BOARD MEMBERS

NOT PRESENT: Howard Nelson

STAFF PRESENT: Diana Hunley, Unit Director

LaTonya Shelton, Board Administrator Nathaniel Flinchbaugh, Advisory Attorney

Ms. Shelton read the opening remarks into the record and introduced the new Board Director, Mrs. Diana Hunley. Dr. Hammonds-White called the meeting to order at 9:01a.m. A roll call was conducted, and a quorum was present.

Minutes

Upon review of the March 5, 2021 minutes, Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Little, to approve the minutes. All in favor. The motion carried.

Financial Report

No report presented.

Office of Investigations Report

Ms. Leonard stated there are (22) new open complaints for LPCs and (6) new complaints for MFTs year to date. Of the (6) for MFTs, (1) advertising, (4) unlicensed practice, and (1) violation of order. Of the (22) open for LPCs, (1) false billing, (1) substance abuse, (3) unlicensed practice, (14) unprofessional conduct, (1) medical record request, (1) practicing beyond scope, and (1) outside the investigative scope. There are (41) open cases for LPCs and 7 have been closed, (1) by insufficient evidence, (3) sent to General Counsel, and (3) with no action taken. There are (9) open cases for MFTs and (3) have been closed, (1) insufficient evidence, (1) with no action taken, and (1) with a warning.

Legislative report:

Mr. James Hill presented the following Public Chapters that were passed within the year: 242, 259, 531, 532, 291, 328. 37, 453, and 179

Office of General Counsel Report

Mr. Flinchbaugh stated that currently, the Office of General Counsel has eight (8) open cases. None were prepared for the Board's review.

Rulemaking Hearing

Mr. Flinchbaugh recapped the proposed rule changes from the March meeting pertaining to the CPTs Code of Ethics and supervision sections. He proposed a supervision time limit for all professions matching the LPC-MHSPs. Ms. Laura Kristimeyer stated they would not prefer the supervision requirement change for CPTs and the Board agreed. Ms. Speakman wanted the contact hours, CACREP requirements, and allowing applicants to switch between applications revised in the rules. Mr. Flinchbaugh will have the LPC rules ready for the September meeting for the Board's final approval.

Mr. Flinchbaugh presented Public Chapters, 153, 179, 929, and 357.

Administrative Report

Mrs. Hunley reviewed the Administrative Report stating there are (16) Certified Professional Counselors. There are (3,050) active Licensed Professional Counselors, of those, (2,650) have the Mental Health Service Provider designation and (521) are approved supervisors. There are currently (399) temporary LPC/MHSP licenses. There are (6) Certified Marital & Family Therapists. There are (832) active Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and (249) temporary MFT licensees. There are (22) active Licensed Clinical Pastoral Therapists. The starting date of this count was March 5, 2020.

Newly Licensed

Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Steele, to approve the following newly Licensed Professional Counselors with MHSP designation. All in favor. The motion carried.

Adkins, Megan	Clark, Jo-Ella
Arwood, Rena	Connelly, Sabrina
Bentley, Gladys Bentley, James Bernache Jeanine	Dalton, Heather Daniel, Emily
Blaylock, Ellen Borrows, Alexa	Deangelis, Michael Dycus, Casey
Boyle, Laura Brakebill, Lauren	Dye, Lindsey Ebedi, Agnes
Brown, Lindsie Burton, Elizabeth	Edwards, Stephanie Erwin, Tiffany
Caia, Cynthia Caldwell, Olivia	Etter, Hailey Fernandez Zulaen
Campbell, John	Fife, Thomas
Carter, Ashley Caylor, Emma Chalkley, Emily	Gartenberg, Amy Good, Linda
Charley, Emily	

Gregory, Jessica Griggs, Julie Guard, Luke Gurich, Robert Hagewood, Lori Haney, Alexander Haskew, Alexandra Hill, Brittany Hogan, Renita Huckaby, Kathy Hurst, Kathleen Jones, Pamela Jonker, Patricia Kellum, danny Klimkowski, Stacy

Kneeland, Gerianna Lariscy, Corey Lawrence, Dakota Leimbach, Dakota Leonard, Ariel Liddell, Kenya Liston-Avnaim, Ashley Madden, Jasmine Mason, Samuel Mcdunn, Lori Mcguire, Patricia McIntvre, Asia Merrell, Hannah Merritt, Deborah Morris, Delores Moussa, Kirsten Murphy, Brian

Neal, Ashlev Nechtow, Friederica Nicholas, Desiree Ninos, Kiara Oaks, Cecilia Page, Lori Partlow, Anna Pennington, Roxanne Player, Amy Revnolds-Hastings, Mary

Rowlander, Caroline

Schabilion, Valerie

Seaton, Eilidih

Smith, Amber

Smith, Latisha

Smoot, Natalie

Professional Counselors without MHSP designation. All in favor. The motion carried.

Ross, Sara

Stough, Kylie Stutzner, Catherine Teter, Bailee Ubben, Rebbecca Voehringer, Samantha Wagstaff, Raymond Walker, Claudia Webster, Lindsay West, Abigail Williamson, Sarah Wingfield, Suanna Witt, Shea Woods, Alvse Worley, Kate

Young, Joshua

Stewart, Alicia

Neagle-Fugate, Jennifer

Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Steele, to approve the following newly Licensed

Banks, Tequila Dianne, Melissa Golly, Jahna Hawkins, Kelly Thomas, Amanda Vosburg Jr, Allen

Ms. Steele made a motion, seconded by Ms. Speakman, to approve the following newly Licensed Marital and Family Therapists. All in favor. The motion carried.

Barnwell, Roy Baskin, Charles Benson, Rachael Bruhin, Matthew Bullinger, Cynthia Bunch, Allison Byrd, Aaron Calkins, Courtney Canclini, Christopher Cory-Pack, Sasha Easterlin, Mallie Edwards, Jennifer

Gunn, David Hinman, Tara Huffman, Ashley Jardine, Joseph Khosla, Anjana Lyons, Elizabeth Macaluso-Scott, Terri Milford, Deanna Noll, Jessica

Parsons-Wells, Jacob

Paulos, Kaja

Rogers, Brian Scott, Katie Sheffey, Deanna Simmons, Jordan Stalb, Rhonda Szpakiewicz, Julia Thomas, Patricia Underwood, Amanda Van Buskirk, Kimberly Wheeler, Rosemarie Wishart, Ryan

Temporary Licenses

Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Little, to approve the following Temporarily Licensed Professional Counselors- Mental Health Service Provider. All in favor. The motion carried.

Banks, Brandon Jenkins, Kimberly Seigler, Derrell Baptiste, Theresa Johnson, Katherine Shepard, Rachel Bowman, Karoline Kehrer, Lizette Sims, Tiffani **Brooks, Tiffany** King, Emily Storey, Robyn Malcolm, Christa Swayze, Madison Buchanan, Melba Byrd, Schyler Miller, Jillianne Thompson, Kartrise Catanzaro, Gabrielle Morrissey, Kate Towe, Kelly Chavez, Savannah Mosley, Khearra Tribble, Heather Clark, Calvin Phillips Murphy, Connie Turner, Katherine Collins, Brittany Nelson, Martez Vernell, Gerald Dyer, Mary Elizabeth Wade, Brandy Noval, Rachelle Gerulis, Emily Whichard, Amanda Nyhus, Crystal Harrison, Leigh Overton, Trisha Williams, Emily Rose Pierce, Claire Hayes, Amanda Williams, Jack Hensley, Kristy Reed-Davis, Regina Wynn, Mary Hitchings, Mary Roark, Renee Zimcosky, Angelique Hoof, Karen Rundberg, Jennifer **Hudgins-Smith, Khia** Scallion, Angelyn

Ms. Steel made a motion, seconded by Ms. Speakman, to approve the following Temporarily Licensed Marital and Family Therapists. All in favor. The motion carried.

Hawkins, Anna Aguinada, Maria Starner, Gabriel Bear, Victoria Hubbard, Tabitha Steele, Kiley Borck, Taylor Hulsey, Sarah Stephenson, Corin Kasson, Sierra Buerger, Sullivan Stiles, Lucinda Carden, Brian King, Brianna Tunnell, Christy Courington, William Logsdon, Shelby Virden, Kevin Dickens, Samantha Owens, James Williams, Rachel Harrell, Alexandra Reed, Christen Harriman, Hannah Sartin, Madison

Approved Supervisor Applications

Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Little to approve the following Licensed Professional Counselor Supervisor. All in favor. The motion carried.

Belew, Christy Brower, John Brown, Catherine Dukic, Mildred Eisenhar, T Emily Ferren, Jennifer Gohmann, Lisa Johnson, Tracey Johnson, Lametria Kressenberg, Regena Kincaid, Marlaina Liston-Avnaim, Ashley Lynn, Gary Martin, Neal Phillips, Heather Rooks, Erin Stoddard, Brian Terra,l Ilona Tourangeau, Catherine Werner, Peter Young, Catherine York, Debra

Correspondence

The Board reviewed correspondence and documents from **A. Proctor**, **L. McKenzie**, **I. Freeman**, and **K. Chambless** all requesting approval of virtual supervision. Mr. Flinchbaugh advised the board of Public Chapter 179 that allows students to gain hours via Telehealth, only if the supervisor met the Board's requirement. Ms. Speakman motion, Ms. Little seconded.

LPC and MFT online test updates:

Dr. R. Lee advised the board that the NBCC competency revision of the Jurisprudence exam is back in progress.

After Dr. Phillips voiced concerned over the MFT Jurisprudence exam, the board and Mrs. Hunley agreed to have the test active by September 1, 2021, while giving the old exam in the meantime.

File Review:

The Board reviewed the file of J. Blair, who requested that the board accept her transcripts for a MFT application. The Board agreed that the transcripts were a better fit for the LPC license. Ms. Steel made a motion to have the applicant withdraw and apply for LPC license, seconded by Ms. Little. All in favor. Motion carried.

- C. Chafin appeared before the board requesting that the extensive results of her background are accepted, due to her lifestyle changes so that she can get properly licensed as a Professional Counselor. Ms. Speakman made a motion to allow licensure, Ms. Steele seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.
- D. Kohler appeared before the Board requesting that the extensive results of her background check be disregarded, due to major lifestyle changes, to receive licensure as a Professional Counselor. Ms. Steel motioned to allow licensure; Ms. Speakman seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.
- J. Mickles appeared before the Board requesting that the Board approve his application for Approved Supervisor status. Upon further investigation, Mr. Flinchbaugh advised the board that Mr. Mickles had not complied with his previous probation terms regarding a Practice Monitor. Mr.

Mickles was advised that he did not understand the responsibilities of the Practice Monitor, so Ms. Speakman and Mr. Flinchbaugh clarified the monitor's responsibilities and qualifications. The board agreed that he was not fit to gain the Approved Supervisor designation. Once another citation is drafted by Mr. Flinchbaugh, Mr. Mickles will receive a new order regarding his probation.

Discuss Other Board Business

M. Graham approached the board with a hardship request to accept the hours completed before personal/family sickness. The board agreed to accept the 120 hours already completed, while giving her 2 years to complete the other 80 hours. Ms. Steele motioned, Ms. Little seconded. All in favor. The motion carried.

Mr. Flinchbaugh described the LPC Compact in the works, which will require participants to have the MHSP designation.

Mr. Flinchbaugh asked the board to reopen session to rescind John Brower's Approved Supervisor application pending investigation of the completion of hours. Ms. Little made a motion, Ms. Steele seconded.

Adjourn

With no other Board business to conduct Ms. Speakman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Little. All in favor. The motion carried.

These minutes were ratified at the December 3, 2021 TENNESSEE BOARD FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, MARITAL AND FAMILY THERAPISTS, AND CLINICAL PASTORAL THERAPISTS Board meeting.