

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

DATE: September 1, 2017
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Health Related Boards Conference Center
Poplar Room, 665 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37243

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Susan Hammonds-White, Ed.D. LPC, Chair
Kimberly Speakman, LPC
Jennifer Little, Citizen Member
Shelly Steel, MFT
Howard Nelson, CPT

STAFF PRESENT: Teddy Wilkins, Unit Director
Vanessa Hayes, Board Administrator
Nathaniel Flinchbaugh, Advisory Attorney
Todd Pinckley, Advisory Attorney

Dr. Hammonds-White called the meeting to order at 9:05. A roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

Minutes

Upon review of the June 2, 2017 minutes, Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Little, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. The motion carried.

Office of General Counsel Report

Mr. Pinckley stated as of August 30, 2017, the Office of General Counsel has cases against (1) licensee. There are no cases set for consent orders or for a hearing. There are no policy statements or rule changes for the Boards review. He stated that the Telehealth Rules are ready for review and will be discussed later in the meeting. Mr. Pinckley then introduced the new Board Attorney Mr. Nathaniel Flinchbaugh.

Office of Investigations Report

Ms. Lori Leonard stated there is one (0) open complaint against CMFT's and one (1) closed. There is one (1) open complaint against LMFT's, and two (2) closed complaints. There are

twenty-one (21) new cases against LPC's, and fourteen (14) closed complaints, and there are currently nineteen cases being monitored.

Administrative Report

Ms. Hayes reviewed the Administrative Report stating there are two thousand one hundred sixty-nine (2169) active Licensed Professional Counselors, of those, one thousand eight hundred sixty-eight (1868) have the Mental Health Service Provider designation and three hundred thirty-nine (339) are approved supervisors. There are currently one hundred forty-five (145) temporary LPC/MHSP licenses. There are six hundred one (601) Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and one hundred sixty-four (164) temporary MFT licensees. There are twenty-four (24) Licensed Clinical Pastoral Therapists. Ms. Hayes stated that of the (225) LPC's who renewed their licenses since the June 2, 2017 board meeting, 67% renewed on-line. Of the (64) LMFT's who renewed their licenses since June 2, 2017, 69% renewed on-line. Of the (4) CPT's that renewed 25% renewed online.

Remaining Board meeting dates for 2017 have been scheduled for:

December 1, 2017

Newly Licensed

Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Nelson, to approve the following newly Licensed Professional Counselors:

**Juliana M. Albee
Sharehan S. Ayes
Brooke Bagley
Kimberly D. Ball
Lauren Wiest Barbian
Shannon E. Black
Pamela Boylan
Heather Campbell Braddock
Christina Brewer
Margaret Carney Brittingham
Brandon M. Canter
Heather A. Carver
Isha S. Chaney
Carol J. Cherich
L'Oreal M. Cherry
Charlotte Brooks Chester
Nick K. Choate
Melissa L. Collins
Hunter D. Cook
Kendra L. Cook
Deonte R. Copeland
Cornelia M. Cortright**

**Fredrick D. Johnson
Frances E. Jones
Leslie E. Kay
Karen N. Kearby
Adriane Keil
Melanie H. Kelly
Elizabeth Duck Kennedy
Megan R. Loving
Jordan D. Lyall
Julie F. Mangus
Timothy J. Mann
Julia R. Marx
Lauren Shaw McCain
Allison Reeves McGavin
Jeremy R. Miller
Karissa L. Moll
Christopher H. Montanaro
Sarah E. Montgomery
Anna R. Owens
Elizabeth C. Parker
Cristin M. Patterson
Lani Ramos**

James H. Dalton
Melissa A. Davignon
Bethany C. Dayton
Jana Dobesova
Keith L. Foster
Nicole L. Franco
Eve McDonald Giesey
Tonia M. Goodrich
Katherine A. Gustafson
Tara N. Hammonds
Bethany M. Hanczor
Mallory Haney
Briana L. Hardyman
Michael S. Harris
Laura M. Heidler
Jacob A. Henry
Janet G. Hicks
Matthew O. Hicks
Karma M. Howard
Larry Ivery
Michaela M. Jamieson

Benjamin Roberts
Janae' C. Rodriguez
Jennifer A. Roney
Allison M. Russell
Eugenia Y. Sanders
Dedra Eisen Spradling
Michelle C. Stevens
Antonio D. Taylor
Jenna L. Toops
Catherine A. Tourangeau
Dorothy Ulumma Usoh
Caleb Vogtner
Candice Waller
Stephanie Wasserman
Alexandrea C. Whitfield
Natalie Whorton
Jill L. Wilkerson
Joshua C. Williams
Whitney Wohlgenuth
Katelynd M. Wolf
Kimberly Miser Yost

The motion carried.

Ms. Steel made a motion, seconded by Dr. Nelson, to approve the following newly Licensed Marital and Family Therapists:

Emily E. Aikins
Chelsea Begley
April L. Cagle
Weston Crafton
Luke DeLavergne
Marcus Geromes
Randal L. Halstead
Margarete Juliana
Erin Kelly

Emily King
Eboni S. Long
Morgan Lueck
Andrew C. Lyon
Gina L. Marchando
Nathan McCarty
Phillip Pistole
Catherine Quillet

The motion carried.

Temporary Licenses

Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Nelson, to approve the following Temporarily Licensed Professional Counselors:

Lyndsay E. Baker
Susan M. Baker
Tamara Boone

Kimberly A. Kellum
Laura Claiborne Little
Tanya R. Markham

Zachary R. Budesa
Stuart Eldon Cook
Tena R. Cope
Rachel Garland Downer
Paul M. Dunaway
Elizabeth Schuler Edwards
Melody C. Fancher
Scarlett M. Ford-Bright
Jeffrey Grossman
Amanda G. Hallock
Katherine A. Hughes
Christina Lafferty

Shannon Tippit McBride
Matthew C. Myatt
Mark C. Pafford
Brittney L. Phillips
Ella-Victoria M. Robinson
Jeffrey M. Schulte
Samantha Strader
Elizabeth M. Vigus
Morgan Watts
Catherine White
James N. Williams
Guy A. Wilson
Lauren S. Wright

Dr. Nelson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Little, to approve the following Temporarily Licensed Marital and Family Therapists:

Ashley Bergman
Mary A. Beasley Cates
Jay S. Daughtry
Tammie L. Elkins
Sarah Fairbanks
Julie A. Gardenhire
Patricia A. Grady
Audrey Smith Hanson
Alison J. Hill
Abigal Ruibal Holcomb
Abigail Jones

Laura Kemp
Linnea Keyton
Micah P. Kieffer
Haley Klein
Tuesdae N. Lawrence
Kathleen Emerson Pennington
Von Poll
Elizabeth T. Renkens
Christopher E. Terry Nelson
D'Lessia Taflora Wedley
Bree L. Whitfield

The motion carried.

Reinstatement Applications

Ms. Speakman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Nelson to approve the following reinstated Licensed Professional Counselors:

Michele Ames
Judith Caudle Coyle
William C. Finnel
Lori K. Gilmore
Melissa Linning

The motion carried.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed correspondence from **Ms. Angela Thompson** requesting approval from the Board to be able to present training for CEU's that would be given monthly throughout the year. The Board requested more information such as the name of the lecture, the course title, and clarification of the number of CEU's and lessons. The Board requested that she review and rewrite the petition for approval.

The Board reviewed correspondence from **Ms. Dana Vince** requesting approval from the Board to be able to provide CEU's to attendants the training "Emotionally Focused Therapy". The Board approved this particular training. If she would like to provide training on a different topic, she will need approval from the Board again. Additionally, the Board wants to ensure that Ms. Vince is providing certificates for the CEU's provided that include the name, date, course title and total CEU's acquired. A motion was made by Ms. Speakman to approve this request, seconded by Ms. Steel. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed from **Mr. Daniel LaVelle** requesting approval to provide telehealth counseling while having a temporary license. The Board stated that Mr. LaVelle must be fully licensed as a LPC/MSHP to be able to provide this service. The Board recommended that he resubmit the request after being fully licensed. A motion was made by Ms. Speakman, to deny this request, seconded by Dr. Nelson. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence from **Mr. David Hicks** requesting to receive tele-health supervision. The Board requested that Mr. Hicks resubmit his request and include where he is located and what the travel distance is to his supervisor as well as whom the supervisor is. The Board tabled this request until the next board meeting.

The Board reviewed correspondence from **Ms. Mary Hunter** requesting clinical site approval for two (2) sites, Marshall Elementary and Medi8Resolution Center. The Board decided that the second site does not fit the definition of a clinical setting. The Board advised that for the first site she will need to check the definition of clinical setting in the rules and decide if it applies. Ms. Hunter is also advised to check with the Kentucky Board on this as well due to site one being in Fort Campbell, Ky.

The Board reviewed correspondence from **Ms. Sherilyn Lacy** requesting an extension of 18 months due to illness, from September 30, 2017 until March 31, 2019 to complete the required supervised post-masters professional experience hours and pass the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination. A motion was made by Ms. Speakman to approve this request, seconded by Dr. Nelson. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence from **Ms. Vanessa McElreath** requesting clarification on how to become an approved supervisor for MFT's. The requirement of doing two (2) years of supervision when she has not become a supervisor yet is unclear. The Board advised that she will need thirty-six (36) hours of post licensure supervision of supervision. Ms. Susan Lahey, LMFT approved supervisor, volunteered to help in advising as well.

The Board reviewed correspondence from **Ms. Autumn Raborn and Ms. Jade Wiggins** requesting approval to complete supervision hours online. The Board advised that as a MFT there should be no more than six (6) MFT's at one time doing group supervision and for a LPC's there should be no more than eight (8) individuals at one time. The Board also wanted to remind them that at least seventy-five (75) must come from a LPC/MHSP if they are going for LPC/MHSP licensure. They also advised to look at page 5, # 39 in the LPC rules.

Discuss Other Board Business

Ms. Wilkins discussed the options for the LPC Jurisprudence exam. Currently the Jurisprudence is pencil and paper format and applicants go to a Pearson VUE site. One option is computer based, but would be graded like the paper and pencil exam, which takes a long time for the results to come back. The second option is self-administered where the applicant would register and get access on their home computer. There would be a bank of questions and a certain number of questions they would need to get correct. The applicant would then keep answering questions until they got the sufficient number correct. They would then be able to print out a certificate to submit to the Board.

Ms. Speakman made a motion to consider the self-administered option that NBCC is proposing preferring multiple choice, seconded by Dr. Nelson. All in favor. The motion carried.

Mr. Pinckley presented the initial rough draft of the new telehealth rules for the Boards review and feedback on the direction the rules are going. The Board discussed them and made a few minor changes. They also discussed the licensees needing to be trained to do telehealth. Mr. Pinckley stated that they will start working on the other sections and send another draft to the Board when it is complete.

Dr. Hammonds-White stated that there is an AASCB Conference coming up in January in San Antonio, TX that they would like to attend.

Ms. Steel make a motion to send (2) Board Members, (1) Administrative Staff, and the Board Attorney to the AASCB Conference, seconded by Dr. Nelson. All in favor. The motion carried.

Adjourn

With no other Board business to conduct the Board adjourned at 11:21 am.

Dr. Nelson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Steel. The motion carried.