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BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS MEETING MINUTES
June 5, 2014

Members Present: Steve Lankton, Gloria Gabler, Mary Coonrod, Jayne McElfresh, Page Gonzales, Jerri Shields

Member by phone: Kirk Bowden

Members Absent: Michael Jones

Staff Present: Tobi Zavala, Interim Executive Director, Beth Campbell, A.A.G., Mary Wilson, Elma Brambila

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners was called to order on June 5, 2014, at 9:02 a.m. with Mr. Lankton presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Minutes: review, consideration and action

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to approve the general meeting minutes from the May 1, 2014, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Shields abstained from the vote.

Ms. Coonrod moved, seconded by Ms. Shields, to approve the general meeting minutes from the May 8, 2014, teleconference as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Notification of Deficiencies

No one from the list of 5 was present.

5. Consent Agenda: review, consideration and action

A. 2012-0038, Melissa King-Marvin, LPC-10746

Initial review, consideration, and action regarding the professional's request for release from the consent agreement.

B. 2011-0025, Chelsea Reed, LPC-12936, (active-restricted)

Initial review, consideration, and action regarding the professional's request for release from the consent agreement.

C. 2010-0041, Mitzi Mackenzie, LMSW-12181 (active-restricted)

Initial review, consideration, and action regarding the professional's request for release from the consent agreement.

Ms. McElfresh moved, seconded by Dr. Gabler, to accept the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Mackenzie requested to speak without her attorney present and addressed the Board regarding 2 issues with information on the Board’s website. Ms. Zavala will contact the attorney regarding the 2 issues.

6. Administrative Hearings 9:30 AM

A. *2013-0072, Cesar Gamez, LPC-13569*

Ms. Campbell, A.A.G., appeared on behalf of the State.

Mr. Gamez’ attorney, Tressa Sanzio, appeared on behalf of the professional.

Ms. Campbell presented a signed consent agreement that was negotiated between the parties.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Bowden moved, seconded by Ms. McElfresh, to accept the signed consent agreement for suspension of the license until expiration including an agreement the professional will not reapply for 3 years, and to vacate the formal hearing. The motion carried with Dr. Gabler, Ms. Gonzales and Ms. McElfresh opposed. See roll call vote.

	Kirk Bowden	Mary Coonrod	Gloria Gabler	Page Gonzales	Michael Jones	Stephen Lankton	Jayne McElfresh	Jerri Shields	Vacant CCC	Vacant SWCC	Vacant SACC	Vacant MFTCC
AYE	X	X				X		X				
NAY			X	X			X					
Absent					X							

7. Formal Interviews

None

8. Disciplinary matters recommended by Credentialing Committees: review, consideration and action

A. *2012-0127, Gary Straus, LCSW-3363 (suspended)*

Ms. Campbell, A.A.G., summarized information regarding the matter and the signed consent agreement.

Mr. Straus was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following discussion by members, Ms. McElfresh moved, seconded by Ms. Shields, to accept the consent agreement that was signed on February 24, 2014. The motion passed unanimously. See roll call vote.

	Kirk Bowden	Mary Coonrod	Gloria Gabler	Page Gonzales	Michael Jones	Stephen Lankton	Jayne McElfresh	Jerri Shields	Vacant CCC	Vacant SWCC	Vacant SACC	Vacant MFTCC
AYE	X	X	X	X		X	X	X				
NAY												
Absent					X							

B. *2010-0101, Joseph Vigneux, LISAC-10338*

Ms. Campbell requested clarification regarding the Board’s November decision in this matter. The Board needs to state whether it was a Board order or a consent agreement for non-disciplinary continuing education.

The professional's attorney, Mr. Perlmutter, addressed the Board telephonically.

Following discussion by members, Dr. Bowden moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to issue an order that the professional complete a 3-semester credit hour (45-clock hour equivalent) in person graduate level course and 6 clock hours of NASW Staying Out of Trouble within one year. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Complaints and other disciplinary matters: review, consideration and action

A. John Anglin, LSAT applicant

Ms. Zavala summarized information regarding the results of the Board's investigation.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion, members agreed no further action is necessary regarding the background.

B. Michelle Cermak, LAC applicant

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion, members agreed no further action is necessary regarding the background.

C. Billi Gadomski, LSAT applicant

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion, members agreed no further action is necessary regarding the background.

The Board took a break at 10:35 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:45 a.m.

D. Elizabeth Gonzalez-Sorozano, LASAC applicant

Ms. Zavala summarized information regarding the Board's investigation.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion, members agreed no further action is necessary regarding the background.

E. 2011-0040, Karmin Fowler, LAC-12527 (suspended)

Ms. Zavala summarized information regarding the professional's request for release from suspension.

The professional addressed the Board telephonically.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Ms. Gonzales, to reinstate the license pursuant to an amended consent agreement for 2 years of probation with terms as stated in the 2011 consent agreement. The motion passed unanimously. See roll call vote.

	Kirk Bowden	Mary Coonrod	Gloria Gabler	Page Gonzales	Michael Jones	Stephen Lankton	Jayne McElfresh	Jerri Shields	Vacant CCC	Vacant SWCC	Vacant SACC	Vacant MFTCC
AYE	X	X	X	X		X	X	X				
NAY												
Absent					X							

10. Assistant Attorney General’s Report: Beth Campbell, A.A.G.

No report

11. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action

Patricia Martinez, LMSW applicant

Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Dr. Gabler, to rescind this Board’s May 1, 2014, motion to deny the application. The motion passed unanimously.

Social Work

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to approve 3 applicants as Licensed Clinical Social Workers, 3 applicants as Licensed Clinical Social Workers by endorsement, 30 applicants as Licensed Master Social Workers and one applicant as a Licensed Bachelor Social Worker. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. Shields, to deny 2 applications based on failure to take the required exam, 3 applications based on failure to pass the required exam, 2 applications based on not meeting minimum requirements, and one application based on a finding of unprofessional conduct. The motion passed unanimously.

Counseling

Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to approve 16 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors, 4 applicants as Licensed Professional Counselors and one applicant as a Licensed Professional Counselor by endorsement. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Ms. Gonzales, to approve 5 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors and 2 applicants as Licensed Professional Counselors. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to deny 6 applications based on not meeting minimum requirements and two applications based on a finding of unprofessional conduct. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to deny one application based on not meeting minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Substance Abuse

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to approve 3 applicants as Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselors. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. McElfresh, to approve 4 applicants as Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselors. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. McElfresh, to deny 7 applications based on not meeting minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Marriage and Family Therapy

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Shields, to approve one applicant as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist by endorsement. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Shields, to deny one application based on failure to pass the required exam and 2 applications based on not meeting minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Report from Chair

A. Chair report

No report

13. Report from the Treasurer

A. Monthly Financial Reports

Members reviewed the monthly financial report.

Following review, Ms. Coonrod moved, seconded by Ms. Gonzales, to accept the monthly financial report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General Agency Operations

No report.

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B. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding SB1374 update

No report.

C. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding Rules Subcommittee update

No report.

D. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding customer service surveys

Members discussed customer service surveys and various ways to display the results on the website.

E. Review and discussion regarding developing guidelines for disciplinary actions

Tabled

F. Review, consideration and possible action regarding implementation of SB1077 with regard to reciprocal licenses

Ms. Campbell provided information regarding the reciprocal licenses that expired after September 12, 2013, and were not renewed early.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. Shields, to direct staff, pursuant to legislative intent of SB1077, to reclassify and renew the licenses without a lapse upon receipt of renewal applications. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Annual election of Chair and Secretary

Members discussed the election and agreed to wait for the July meeting when new members will be present.

H. Discussion regarding efforts to ensure payroll compliance

Ms. Zavala provided information regarding an ongoing payroll audit.

I. Discussion regarding new appointments to the Board

Ms. Zavala reported that she has been advised 4 new members have been appointed to the Board. The new members could not attend this meeting as the paperwork is not complete.

15. Committee reports

No report

16. National and regional news regarding the profession(s)

No report.

17. Future agenda items

Action on the Executive Director position
Annual election of Chair and Secretary

18. Call for public comment

No one responded to the call for public comment.

19. Establishment of future meeting dates

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 25, 2014, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central Avenue, Room 908.

20. Adjournment

Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Mary Coonrod
Secretary/Treasurer

Date

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June 2014 – License Approvals

Licensed Associate Counselor -- 16 --

Euvada Beaton	Sophie Gazda	Jamie Jakubus	Nathan Mitchell
Lisa Bolden	Kelly Goodwin-Burroughs	Autumn Leslie	Mariela Pacheco
Shannon Fore	Christine Heinisch	Chloe Levinson	Amy Rehm
Elizabeth Frances	Jennifer Holmes	Alison Mell	Dianna Van Sanford

Licensed Associate Counselor - 5 - (Grand Canyon / Ottawa)

Regina Helm	Roland Machlowski	Christopher Robinson
Christina Hodgson	Michael Rayes	

Licensed Professional Counselor - 4 -

Beatriz Dumars	Isaac Horton	Julie McAllister	Leslie Ulloa
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Licensed Professional Counselor - 2 - (Grand Canyon / Ottawa)

Da'Mond Gadson	Jocelyn Hamsher
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Licensed Professional Counselor by endorsement - 1 -

Lynda Croom

Licensed Clinical Social Worker – 3 --

Eva Besmanoff	Kimberly Lee	Mary Ojeda
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Licensed Clinical Social Worker by endorsement -- 3 --

Christine Harrison	Ashley Mullica	Thomas Stephens
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Licensed Master Social Worker – 30 --

Aimee Ahumada	Jacqueline Fulcher	Denise Koivula	Patricia Plum
Alan Aymani	Joseph Gieber	Daniel Lepianka	Wendy Reid
Courtney Bach	Carla Hyche	Pamela Masci	Hilda Rodriguez
Cristy Bell	Jessica Jones	Catherine Mauk	Laurie Shea
Linda Bohall	Megan Kasper	Marie McCormack	Betti-Jo Townsend
Sharon Connour	Ann Khamou	Emilie Mount	Kenni Uribe
Ana Alicia de la Vega	Lori Kleinschmidt	Ashley Olson	Heather Wheeler
Taylor Favaro	Lesa Knox		

Licensed Bachelor Social Worker -- 1 --

Kara Weismann

Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist by endorsement -- 1 --

Bridget Malfer

Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselor -- 3 -

Michael Burnett	Sheila Dill	Jeremiah Isbell
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Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselor -- 4 - (Grand Canyon / Ottawa)

Juliandra Bailon	Alexis Reamer	Andrea Spitler	Andrea Thonvold
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June 2014 – License Denials

Counseling -- failure to meet minimum requirements (6)

Meghan Sherman	Julia Weinberg	Angela Barr
David Norman	Molly Sutton	Jennifer Price

Counseling -- failure to meet minimum requirements (1) (Grand Canyon / Ottawa)

Ruth Mann

Counseling -- finding of unprofessional conduct (2)

Kara Murray	Deena Stewart-Hitzke
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Social Work -- failure to take the required exam (2)

Social Work -- failure to pass the required exam (3)

Social Work -- failure to meet minimum requirements (2)

Social Work -- finding of unprofessional conduct (1)

Tyler Willis

Substance Abuse -- failure to meet minimum requirements (7)

Julie Eisenbart	Rock Liapis	Kevin O'Grady	Christopher Stein
James Leslie	Mary Beth Mulcahy	Katherine Smith	

Marriage & Family Therapy -- failure to pass the required exam (1)

Darcy Easley

Marriage & Family Therapy -- failure to meet minimum requirements (2)

Stefanie Carnes	Arin Weiss
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