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MISSION STATEMENT

To establish and maintain standards of qualifications and performance for licensed behavioral health professionals in the fields of counseling, marriage and family therapy, social work and substance abuse counseling and to regulate the practice of licensed behavioral health professionals for protection of the public.

**BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS
NOTICE & AGENDA FOR REGULAR SESSION MEETING
Scheduled for May 6, 2016, at 9:00 AM
3443 N Central Avenue, Room 1705, Phoenix, Arizona**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the general public and to members of the Arizona State Board of Behavioral Health Examiners that the Board will hold a regular meeting open to the public on the date and at the time indicated above. (The meeting room is located on the 17th floor of the building.)

The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for those matters set for a specific time. The formal hearings and formal interviews are scheduled to be heard during specific time blocks. The Board Chairperson, however, reserves the right to call cases in random order. Please note that the recommendations listed on the agenda are merely suggested Board actions. Those recommendations do not become final until adopted by the Board. The Board has the authority to accept, reject or modify any recommendation listed on the agenda.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) the Board, upon majority vote of a quorum of the members, may hold an Executive Session on any item on the agenda, where applicable, to obtain legal advice. Executive Sessions are not open to the public.

The Board usually allows 3 – 5 minutes per person for public comment on any agenda item: however, depending on the issue presented, the Board Chairperson has the discretion to expand that time.

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Board Members

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Cecilia (Sally) Jones, LCSW
Habib Khan, Public Member
Ivan Pemberton, Public Member
Heidi Quinlan, LISAC, LPC
Gerald Szymanski, LISAC, LPC

If you need to speak to a member of the Board staff regarding an agenda item, please contact Mary Wilson at 602-542-1832 or the TDD number at 800-367-8939.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Call to order

2. Roll call (staff)

3. Minutes: review, consideration and action.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431(A)(2), any discussion of the executive session minutes will take place in executive session.

- A. *October 1, 2015, general meeting minutes*
- B. *October 1, 2015, executive session minutes*
- C. *April 1, 2016, general meeting minutes*
- D. *April 1, 2016, 2:06 p.m. executive session minutes*
- E. *April 1, 2016, 2:21 p.m. executive session minutes*

4. Notification of Deficiencies

<i>Alyssa Shaffer</i>	<i>Pallavi Lal</i>	<i>Lisa Johnson</i>	<i>David Johnson</i>
<i>Lakesha Duncan</i>	<i>Mollie Rama</i>	<i>Timothy Coates</i>	

5. Consent Agenda:

Consent agenda items may be considered for approval as a single action unless a Board member or interested party wishes to remove an item for discussion.

The Board may go into executive session to discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

A. Cases recommended for dismissal. The Board will review, discuss, and may vote to take action on the following cases:

- a. *2015-0100, Katherine Bloom, LPC-13697*
- b. *2016-0058, Marina Greco, LPC-2159*
- c. *2015-0066, Martin Lara, LISAC applicant and LASAC-13061*
- d. *2015-0097, Kelly O'Horo, LPC-14378*
- e. *2016-0080, Karina Patton, LPC-12891*
- f. *2015-0080, Gloria Rosales, LISAC-0429*
- g. *2015-0096, Julia Russomanno, LPC-10273*

B. Cases recommended for dismissal with a letter of concern. The Board will review, discuss, and may vote to take action on the following cases:

N/A

C. Cases recommended for release from consent agreements. The Board will review, discuss, and may vote to take action on the following cases:

- a. *2016-0084, Helene Lichtman, LPC-15997 (active restricted)*

D. Cases recommended for acceptance of a proposed signed consent agreement. The Board will review, discuss, and may vote to take action on the following cases:

- a. *2015-0061, Jay Dexter, LCSW-13699*
- b. *2016-0036, Joseph Ponce, LPC-0252 (suspended)*

E. **Cases recommended for acceptance of a proposed signed non-disciplinary consent agreement.** The Board will review, discuss, and may vote to take action on the following cases:

a. *Hedinger, Edward, LPC-15103*

Opening a complaint and possible action based on self-report.

6. Administrative Hearings

Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-3253(A)(10) and 41-1092.07, the Board will conduct administrative hearings in the following matter(s). During the administrative hearing, the Board may go into executive session to discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

A. *2016-0069, Rayne Norton, LMSW applicant*

Board review of applicant's April 26, 2016 request to withdraw her Formal Hearing for the denial of her license.

7. Formal Interviews

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3281, the Board will conduct a Formal Interview in the following matter(s). During a formal interview, the Board may go into executive session to discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

N/A

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

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Pending complaints represent unproven allegations. On investigation, many complaints are found to be without merit or not of sufficient seriousness to merit disciplinary action against the licensee and are dismissed.

A. *2016-0086, Sandra Anderson, LPC-0552 active restricted*
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding complaint.

B. *2015-0005, Todd Andre, LPC-12463*
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding complaint.

C. *2015-0098, Kathleen Benton, LAC-14355*
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding complaint.

D. *2015-0007, Deborah Kirk Elder, LCSW-0558*
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding complaint.

E. *Dulce Encinas Tapia, LMSW applicant*
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding opening a complaint and possible disciplinary action based on background information.

F. *2013-0011 and 2013-0041, Martin Lara, LASAC-13061*
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding complaint.

G. *Martin Lara, LISAC applicant*
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding opening a complaint and possible disciplinary action based on background information.

H. 2016-0067 and 2016-0083, Edward O'Connor, LAC-14335
Initial review, consideration, and action, regarding complaint.

9. Assistant Attorney General's Report: Marc Harris, A.A.G.

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A. Training: Practical Tips for New (and Veteran) Board Members: Conducting More Effective Board Meetings

10. Applications for licensure and educational programs: review, consideration and action

The Board may go into executive session to discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

A. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding applications for licensure

Names are posted for review in the reception area of 3443 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1700, Phoenix, AZ at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the meeting.

B. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding applications for educational programs

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11. Report from the Chair

The Board may go into executive session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1), discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

A. Summary of current events

By law, the summary of current events is limited to summarizing recent occurrences. The Board cannot propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

B. Update and review of staffs' implementation of Board's directives and operational objectives.

C. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding updating the Board's website.

D. Discussion regarding FY16 Board goals.

E. Update regarding Executive Director personnel review and survey.

12. Report from the Treasurer

A. March monthly financial report

13. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

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A. General Agency Operations

B. Discussion regarding possible legislation regarding behavior analysts.

C. Discussion regarding electronic medical records.

D. Discussion regarding process timeline and surrender status.

E. Update regarding Board rule and statute books.

F. Discussion regarding the American Association of State Counseling Boards' (AASCB) request for Ms. Zavala to participate on a committee.

14. Request for extension of inactive status: review, consideration and action

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A. Deanna Peters, LAC-12913

B. Melinda Miller, LCSW-10463

15. National and regional trends and news regarding the profession(s)

N/A

16. Future agenda items

17. Call for public comment

Those wishing to address the Board do not need to request permission in advance; however, the Board may limit those persons speaking during this time to a reasonable number on any given public matter. In addition, each person wishing to address the Board will be given five (5) minutes to do so. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), the Board can only take action on matters listed on the agenda. Action on public comment matters that are not listed on the agenda will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or to schedule the matter for further discussion at a later date.

18. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 3, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central Avenue, Room 1705.

19. Adjournment

April 29, 2016

Tobi Zavala
Executive Director