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BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS MEETING MINUTES  
October 18, 2011

Members Present: Laura de Blank, Gloria Gabler, Kirk Bowden, Douglas Mitchell, Sunita Krishna  
Members absent: Bruce Murchison  
Staff Present: Patricia Reynolds, Deputy Director, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Lynanne Chapman, Board Investigator, Kami Thur, Board Investigator, Mary Wilson, Elma Brambila

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting of the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners was called to order on October 18, 2011, at 9:10 a.m. with Ms. de Blank presiding.

**2. Roll Call**

See above.

**3. Administrative Hearings**

A. 2009-0128, *Katherine Freeman, LMSW-12596 (suspended)*

Christopher Munns, Solicitor General's Office, appeared and was available to provide independent legal advice to the Board.

Ms. Freeman was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Mr. Harris, A.A.G., appeared on behalf of the State and made an opening statement.

Lynanne Chapman, Board Investigator, was sworn and testified on behalf of the State.

Ms. de Blank admitted State's Exhibits 1 – 14 into evidence.

Mr. Harris made a closing argument.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to adopt the factual allegations from the Notice of Hearing as findings of fact. The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Dr. Bowden moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to adopt the charges from the Notice of Hearing as conclusions of law. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. de Blank, to issue an order revoking the professional's license. The motion passed unanimously. See attached roll call vote.

B. 2010-0076, *Kim McDonald, LMSW-10080 (suspended) and LISAC-10088 (suspended)*

Christopher Munns, Solicitor General's Office, appeared and was available to provide independent legal advice to the Board.

Ms. McDonald was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Mr. Harris, A.A.G., appeared on behalf of the State and made an opening statement.

Patricia Reynolds, Deputy Director, was sworn and testified on behalf of the State.

Ms. de Blank admitted State's Exhibits 1 – 19 into evidence.

Mr. Harris made a closing argument.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Bowden moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to adopt the factual allegations from the Notice of Hearing as findings of fact. The motion passed unanimously.

Following further review by members, Ms. Krishna moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to adopt the charges from the Notice of Hearing as conclusions of law. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to issue an order revoking the professional's licenses. The motion passed unanimously. See attached roll call vote.

*C. 2011-0159, Carol Pease, LASAC applicant*

Marc Harris, A.A.G., appeared on behalf of the State.

Christopher Munns, Solicitor General's Office, appeared and was available to provide independent legal advice to the Board.

Ms. Pease appeared telephonically and requested a continuance.

Mr. Harris opposed the request.

Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Ms. Krishna, to deny the request for a continuance. The motion carried with Dr. Gabler opposed.

Ms. Pease waived her right to make an opening statement.

Mr. Harris made an opening statement.

Ms. Pease testified on her own behalf and rested her case.

Kami Thur, Board Investigator, was sworn and testified on behalf of the State.

Ms. Pease did not respond when she was given the opportunity to cross-examine the witness. Board staff could not reach Ms. Pease at her cell phone number. When the Board called Ms. Pease's work number, the Board was advised that Ms. Pease was participating in a mediation proceeding. The Board continued the hearing without Ms. Pease's participation.

Ms. de Blank admitted State's Exhibits 1 – 14 into evidence.

Mr. Harris made a closing argument.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to affirm the denial of the application for licensure for the reasons set forth in the original denial letter. The motion passed unanimously. See attached roll call vote.

*The Board took a break at 10:15 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:31 a.m.*

**4. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff**

No report.

**5. Future agenda items**

None

**6. Call for public comment**

No one asked to speak in response to the call for public comment.

7. **Establishment of future meeting dates**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 3, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central Avenue, Room 908.

8. **Adjournment**

Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Ms. Krishna, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

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Gloria Gabler  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Date