

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

DATE: March 4, 2022
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Health Related Boards Conference Center
Poplar Room, 665 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37243

**BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:** Howard Nelson
Kimberly Speakman
Shelly Steel
Jennifer Little
James Dalton

**BOARD MEMBERS
NOT PRESENT:**

STAFF PRESENT: Diana Hunley, Unit Director
Leandra Houston, Board Administrator
Nathaniel Flinchbaugh, Advisory Attorney

Mrs. Hunley read the opening remarks into the record. Ms. Speakman called the meeting to order at 9:02a.m. A roll call was conducted, and a quorum was present.

Hearing

Judge Kim Summers presided over case involving J. Zitterkof, who was not present today. The Board agreed to proceed, despite her absence. Ms. Steel made a motion to accept the disciplinary order as written, seconded by Mr. Nelson. All in favor the motion carried. The hearing adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes

Upon review of the December 3, 2021 minutes, Ms. Steel made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Nelson. All in favor. The motion carried.

Financial Report

Mr. McSpadden presented the Mid-Year Fiscal Report.

Office of Investigations Report

Mrs. Jaime Byerly presented the investigative report.

Office of General Counsel Report

Mr. Flinchbaugh presented the disciplinary report, with two (2) consent orders ready for board review:

1. *J. Mickles*: Ms. Steel made a motion to accept the consent order, seconded by Mr. Nelson. All in favor. The motion carried.
2. *M. Anderson*: Mr. Nelson made a motion to accept the consent order, seconded by Ms. Steel. All in favor. The motion carried.
3. *J. Britt*: **(Mr. Dalton recused himself from this vote)** Mr. Nelson made a to accept the consent order, seconded by Ms. Steel. All in favor. The motion carried.

Mr. Flinchbaugh made the board aware of the legislative changes coming pertaining to the temporary licenses with a fiscal memorandum attached and that he will be working on the amendments to the Rules.

Administrative Report

- Mrs. Houston presented the Administrative Report stating there are (15) Certified Professional Counselors. There are (3,191) active Licensed Professional Counselors, of those, (2,762) have the Mental Health Service Provider designation and (604) are approved supervisors. There are currently (395) temporary LPC/MHSP licenses. There are (6) Certified Marital & Family Therapists. There are (876) active Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and (258) temporary MFT licensees. There are (20) active Licensed Clinical Pastoral Therapists. The starting date of this count was December 3, 2021.
- The Board was updated on the open applications and urged applicants to contact the board by email (unit1hrb.health@tn.gov) or phone (615-741-5375).
- The Approved Supervisor application is now online. There are some major updates being done to the Board's website for easier access.
- Mrs. Hunley suggested to connect with a CE Broker, which will be present at the next meeting.

Marital and Family Therapists

Mrs. Little made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to approve the following Temporary MFTs. All in favor. The motion carried.

Alcaraz, Brent
Alexander, Joshua
Camp, Kaitlyn
2012 Farrell, Laura
Flowers, David
Fuqua, Christopher
Greene, Janet
Hiland, Jasmine
Jackson, Timothy
Jones, Pamela
Kilgore, Millie
Mcdonald, Tiffanie

Mckinney, Ramona
Morris, Hannah
Ridings, Emily
Roberts, Blake
Roth, Natalie
Snow, Emma
Storz, Madeline
Turner, Linden
Valdez, Victoria
Welch, Christopher
Whitt, Shannon

Mrs. Little made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to approve the following newly MFTs. All in favor. The motion carried.

Ballou, Megan
Bartley, Jennifer
Bates, Morgan
Bishop, Kristen
Brown-Sikpi, Gabrielle
Burks, Daniel.
Chan, Natalia
Dennis, Tameka
Dressler, Avi
Gunther, Lindsay
Hargrove, Jessica
Johnson, Kay

Leatherman, Madalyn
Murphy, John
Pawlak, Tammy
Piper, Beth
Russell, Dara
Simpkins, Bonny
Smith, Kayla
Spears, Nancy
Tarnow, Hannah
Wilson, Julia
Zellmer, Elizabeth

Mrs. Little made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to approve the following Reinstated MFTs. All in favor. The motion carried.

Coffey, Michael
Pennington, Alan

Licensed Professional Counselors

Mr. Nelson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dalton, to approve the following Approved Supervisors. All in favor. The motion carried.

Antoskow, Brandon
Bates, Holli
Fye, Stacy
Graham, Linda
Harrison, Jonathan
Hawkins, Sara
Karlosky, Stephanie
Ludwig, Zach
Mazza, Connie

Manning, Rachel
Porter, Shervetta
Rodgers, Kimberly
Scheuneman, Matthew
Skinner, Amy
Steger, Sarah
Webster, Lindsay
Yater, Anthony

Mr. Dalton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to approve the following Reinstated LPCs. All in favor. The motion carried.

Holland, Nancy CPC
Armour, Jerry LPCMHSP
Mcelhaney, Jonathan LPCMHSP
Oates, Christine LPC
Stoney, Carolyn LPCMHSP
Valk, Pieter LPCMHSP

Mr. Nelson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Steel, to approve the following Reactivated Licensed Professional Counselors. All in favor. The motion carried.

Phillips, Stacy LPC-MHSP
White, Cristine LPC-MHSP

Mr. Nelson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dalton to approve the following Temporary LPC-MHSPs. All in favor. The motion carried.

Abolins, Ginger
Armstrong, Lynn
Arnold, Lee
Barbee, Megan
Bell, Tavoia
Brooks, Elissa
Brown, Harrison
Browning, Lauren
Dirla, Tabetha
Felber, Alexandra
Fields, Kelsey
Gabriel, Alyssa
Garreau, Meredith
Johnson, Arden

Lakin, Alicia
Le, Amy
Lockridge, Rebecca
Lowe, Barbara
Nix, Briera
Pittman, Jarita
Rowlett, Blake
Shunk, Christopher
Stewart, Elizabeth
Syner, Lisa
Waller, Jeffrey
Watson, Pritchard
Wheeler III, Robert
Zimmerman, Laura

Mr. Dalton made a motion, seconded by Ms. Little to approve the following LPC-MHSPs. All in favor. The motion carried.

Banks, Brandon
Barker Jeremiah
Beltran Leslie
Bragg John
Coker, Anna
Coyle, Sean
Damiano Alexandra
Garrott, Elizabeth
Gragg Erin
Graham All'wyn
Hale Megan
Henderson Marsha
Highland Richard
Hill Amanda
Hillis Casey
Kos Michelle
Mally Jennifer

Mazzotta Cortlandt
Merritt Caitlin
Moore Alison
Morris Michelle
Muller, Lauren
Nesbitt, Reginald
Nordean Joshua
Slabaugh Michele
Silvers, Shavon
Surgeon, Ronald
Tarquino-Kuhn Maria
Thompson, Katrise
Vazquez Brittany
Westbrooks Rachel
White Christopher
Woemmel Clay
Zumwalt Elizabeth

Mr. Dalton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nelson to approve the following LPCs. All in favor. The motion carried.

Adams, Robert
Barker, Jeremiah
Beltran, Leslie
Bragg, John
Brown, Krystal
Coyle, Sean
Dobbs, Rebecca
Gragg, Erin N
Hale, Megan
Henderson, Marsha
Highland, Richard
Hill, Amanda
Hillis, Casey

Johnson, Lisa
Johnson, Neela
Kos Michelle
Mally, Jennifer
Mazzotta, Cortlandt
McGahey, Douglas
Merecicky, Kelly
Merritt, Caitlin
Moore, Alison
Morris, Michelle
Palmer, Tynesha
Pritchett, Rachel
Shouse, Kristen

Correspondence

1. *T. King*: Requested to become an approved CEU vendor. However, the board asked for more information to make a decision.
2. *E. King*: Requested for the Board to accept hours from an unapproved supervisor. Ms. Steel made the motion to deny the request but approve a 1-year extension for King to make up the hours, seconded by Mr. Nelson. All in favor. The motion was carried.

File Review:

1. *T. Newton*: Submitted a reinstatement application but was practicing on an expired license. Ms. Steel made a motion to have the reinstatement application withdrawn and accept an application by exam with the following provisions, seconded by Mr. Dalton:
 - a. Criminal background check
 - b. Detailed resume of work history with supervisor information
 - c. Court documents of probation terms

All in favor. The motion was carried.

LPC Jurisprudence Exam Update

Mr. Dalton agreed to accept the JP exam modifications, seconded by Ms. Steel. All in favor. The motion was carried.

Discuss Other Board Business

- Mrs. Speakman advised the board that CCE does offer education review, which will help applicants gain clarity for educational licensure requirements. She will be reaching out to the organization and will have an update at the next meeting.
- Dr. Wilson, Ms. Alexander, and Ms. Underwood presented a report regarding multi-state telehealth research project for future Board consideration.
- NBCC has revised the NCMHCE exam, which will be active November 7, 2022. You can request to take the online version before then will provide the agency with pass/fail data to help improve the exam.

- The Counseling Regulatory Board Summit will be held in Philadelphia August 3- August 5, 2022. The members are unsure as to who would attend at the current moment. Mr. Dalton made a motion to send two board members to the Summit, seconded by Mr. Nelson. All in favor. The motion carried.

Adjourn

With no other Board business to conduct Mrs. Little made a motion to adjourn at 12:53 p.m., seconded by Ms. Steel. All in favor. The motion carried.

Ratified by the Tennessee Board for Professional Counselors, Marital and Family Therapists and Licensed Clinical Pastoral Therapists June 24, 2022.