



Tennessee Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and Licensed Pastoral Therapists Meeting

Thursday August 7, 2025

MINUTES

The regular Board meeting of the Tennessee Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and Licensed Clinical Pastoral Therapists was called to order at 09:07 a.m. virtually in the Poplar Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37243 by Kimberly Speakman, Board President.

Board members present: Kimberly Speakman, LPC/MHSP, Board President
Shelly Steel, LMFT
James Dalton, PhD, LPC/MHSP
Howard Nelson, LCPT, LCSW

Board member(s) absent: Vacant, Consumer Member

Staff present: Candyce Wilson, Board Director
Stephanie Rigney, Board Administrator
Katherine Trawick, JD, General Counsel

Due to changes within state statutes this Board is able to meet virtually for Board business, the meeting is as follows. Ms. Candyce Wilson read the required script into the record, noting all votes must be conducted by roll call. Ms. Wilson called the roll to establish a quorum. All members were present with the exception of Dr. Howard Nelson who was in the process of accessing the call. Another preliminary vote was taken to establish all members were able to hear each other and also that they had received meeting documents prior to the meeting. The meeting was turned over to Ms. Kimberly Speakman, Board President.

EMERGENCY REVISION TO RULES DUE TO PUBLIC CHAPTER 204

The Board met to discuss rule revisions for Board Rule Chapter 0450-01 and 0450-02.

The following changes were discussed:

1. The use of “temporary license” was changed in all 0450-01 and 0450-02 rules to change to “associate license.”
2. The definition of an approved supervisor was clarified in 0450-01.
3. The update of the procedure to add the Mental Health Service Provider to an LPC license.

4. Language clarified in Procedures for Licensure.
5. Fees to be altered to 2 separate fees, one at the time of temporary license application and one at the time of full level license application.
6. Supervision, hours and qualifications for supervisors.

Ms. Steel made a motion to approve of the edits made to the 0450-01 emergency rule packet. Dr. Nelson seconded, a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

The changes discussed continued:

1. Language clarified in definitions
2. Supervision: hours, qualifications for supervisor, supervisor agreement, and time requirements.
3. Language clarified in Procedures for Licensure.

The Board will meet again on September 2, 2025, and potentially September 22, 2025, to continue making rule revisions.

Ms. Steel made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dr. Nelson seconded, and the motion passed.
Meeting Adjourned.