

## **MINUTES**

**Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors  
Robert E. Lee Building  
239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402  
Jackson, MS 39201**

### **Regular Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, June 26, 2019  
Teleconference Meeting**

#### **Board Members Present**

Dr. Richard Strebeck, Chair, Congressional District-At-Large  
Dr. Kimberly Elam Sallis, Congressional District I  
Dr. Lynn Etheridge, Congressional District II (Joined meeting at 11:49 a.m.)  
Steven Stafford, Congressional District III (Exited meeting at 11:50 a.m.)  
(Exited the meeting at 12:38 p.m.)

#### **Board Members Absent**

Victoria Williams, Congressional District IV

#### **Others Present**

Ken Walley, Board Attorney, Special Assistant Attorney General  
LeeAnn Mordecai, Board Executive Director

### **I. Call to Order**

The Regular Board meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors ("Board") was called to order at 11:06 a.m. by Dr. Richard Strebeck, Chair ("Chair") on Wednesday, June 26, 2019. The meeting was held via Teleconference and the public could attend the meeting in the Robert E. Lee Building, 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. A roll call of Board members was taken and a quorum was present. A determination vote for an Executive Session may be called at any time during the meeting.

### **II. Board Operations**

#### **A. Minutes Approval**

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Etheridge, and unanimously agreed that

minutes of the Thursday, May 16, 2019, Regular Board meeting be approved as amended. 3-0

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Etheridge, and unanimously agreed that minutes of the Friday, May 17, 2019, Regular Board meeting be approved as amended. 3-0

### **III. Financial Matters**

#### **A. Financial Report**

The Board reviewed the Financial Report.

#### **B. Travel Vouchers**

Travel Vouchers for current FY are due by July 15, 2019.

#### **C. FY 2020 Legal Services Agreement MOU**

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed to accept the FY 2020 Legal Services Memorandum of Understanding Agreement. 3-0

#### **D. ProsonITech Invoice**

It was motioned by Etheridge, seconded by Strebeck, and unanimously agreed to pay the ProsonITech Invoice from the FY 2019 budget. 3-0

#### **E. AASCB Conference Registration Invoice**

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed to pay registration fees to AASCB in the amount of \$600 (for two Board members' registration) and to deny payment of two additional fees for Board members to attend the AASCB meeting. Two Board members will attend the NBCC meeting and two Board members will attend the AASCB meeting. 3-0

### **IV. Old Business**

#### **A. OLRC-update regarding renewal compliance and CEH**

Mr. Walley met with a representative from OLRC:

1. P-LPC issued licenses are acceptable as issued concerning renewal date and fee
2. LPC licenses will be issued as currently issued

3. P-LPC CEU requirements remain as issued-6 CEH; however, law reads 12 CEH per year

**B. 2017-29 Harris-Dorsey, Lorita (#1159) – Update on Agreed Order**

The Board reviewed updates on status per Agreed Order for the month of June, 2019.

**C. LPC-S Requirements**

The Board discussed the change in required training hours to become an LPC-S. The previous training required 30 hours of professional training and the current requirement is 45 hours of professional training. The Board will accept the 30 hours of professional training from an LPC-S applicant if the professional training was completed by April 4, 2019. Any professional supervision training submitted to be counted toward LPC-S credential completed after April 4, 2019, must meet the 45-hour training requirement. The Board will request a list of LPCs who have completed the 30-hour supervision training from MLPCA.

**D. AASCB / NBCC State Licensure Boards Meeting**

- August 7-9, 2019
- Held in Washington DC
- Board approved attendees:
  - Etheridge
  - Mordecai
  - Sallis
  - Strebeck

**E. Group Supervision Hours Clarification**

Rule 4.3.B.1.e states “Group supervision will be acceptable for not more than fifty (50) hours of the required one hundred (100) hours of individual supervision. Two (2) hours of group supervision is equivalent to one (1) hour of individual supervision. Total hours of group supervision should be reported in full and will then be divided by two (2) by the Board at review time.” Therefore, the maximum number of group supervision hours that will be counted toward licensure will be 50 which will equal 25 hours of individual supervision.

**V. New Business**

**A. Attorney General Performance Survey**

The Board completed the Attorney General Performance Survey. It was motioned by Etheridge, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed to submit final results. 3-0

It was motioned by Stafford, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed that the Board consider a motion to close the regular meeting to determine the necessity of an Executive Session. The Board determined that an Executive Session was needed to review BQS / P-LPC / LPC / Candidacy / Comity / Continued Review applications, and to discuss Board requests. 3-0

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed that the Board exit the Regular session and enter Executive Session. 3-0 The Board entered Executive Session at 11:24 a.m.

## **VI. Review of Licensure Applications / Board Requests – Executive Session**

### **A. Review of Licensure Applications (P-LPC, LPC, LPC-S, Candidacy, Comity, and Continued Review)**

The Board reviewed licensure applications. See attached MS Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors Application Review-Executive Session Report.

## **VII. Complaints / Denied Applications / Board Requests – Executive Session**

### **A. Complaint Updates**

#### **2018-48**

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed to accept the Proposed Agreed Order. 2-0-1 with Sallis abstaining.

#### **2019-12**

It was motioned by Stafford, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed to accept the recommendation made by Strebeck that the complaint be withdrawn and no action be taken on the complaint. 2-0-1 with Strebeck abstaining.

#### **2019-13**

It was motioned by Stafford, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed to accept the recommendation made by Strebeck that the complaint be withdrawn and no action be taken on the complaint. 2-0-1 with Strebeck abstaining.

2019-03

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed to accept the recommendation made by Strebeck to set for a formal hearing to be scheduled at a later date. 2-0-1 with Strebeck abstaining.

**A. Board Requests**

Appleton

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Etheridge, and unanimously agreed to deny the request for Transition Cohort inclusion as application is not complete and transcript has not been received by the Board. The applicant must choose path to licensure (P-LPC or LPC) according to the rules as interpreted by the Attorney General's opinion. 3-0

Brown

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Strebeck, and unanimously agreed to accept CEH for current renewal period only and future CEH must be NBCC approved. 3-0

Davis

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Strebeck, and unanimously agreed to accept request for Informal Hearing. 3-0

Lewis-Webster

It was motioned by Etheridge, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed to deny the request for Transition Cohort inclusion and refer applicant to the Attorney General's opinion. 3-0

Powell

It was motioned by Etheridge, seconded by Strebeck, and unanimously agreed to deny request for reinstatement of license. 3-0

Vincent

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed to allow to sit for the NCMHCE for the sixth time. 4-0

Wren

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Etheridge, and unanimously agreed to deny request for inclusion into the Transitional Cohort. 3-0

### Avery

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed to require an additional 6 graduate hours in the field of counseling for candidacy/P-LPC. 3-0

### Dixon

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed to accept request for an Administrative Hearing to be set potentially for the August meeting. 3-0

### Odom

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed to accept request for an Informal Hearing. 3-0

See attached MS Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors Complaint Review Report for additional decisions.

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed to exit Executive Session. 3-0. The Board exited Executive Session at 12:55 p.m. and returned to Regular Session.

Upon return to open session, the following was announced as actions taken while in Executive Session:

- A. Considered Board Requests
- B. Reviewed Board Complaints/Denied Applications

## **VIII. Next Meeting**

### **Regular Meeting of the Board**

Friday, August 23, 2019  
Time 9:00 a.m.  
Robert E. Lee Building  
239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402  
Jackson, MS 38901

**IX. Adjourn**

It was motioned by Strebeck, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed that the Board meeting adjourn. 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 2:07 p.m. by Strebeck.

Approved this the 23rd day of August, 2019.

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Board Chair

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Board Member

**ADDENDUM A**

<b>MS BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS</b>				
<b>APPLICATION REVIEW - EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>				
<b>Friday, June 26, 2019</b>				
<b>CR or Denied Apps for P-LPC</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Self, Eve G.	Approved		3	0
Norton, Heather Breana	Approved		3	0
Tillman, Monique Mechelle	Approved		3	0
<b>New Apps for P-LPC</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Abraham, Davis McLain	Contingent		3	0
Burton, Kristal Marie	Contingent		3	0
JiBol, Lindsey Elizabeth	Continued Review		3	0
McMinn, Marla D.	Approved		3	0
Molck, Jeremy Ray	Contingent		3	0
Newton, Clara Ward	Approved		3	0
Nooner, Brittany Elizabeth	Approved		3	0
Whichard, Amanda Kate	Approved	Strebeck	2	0
<b>New Apps for Comity</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Causey, Nanette	Contingent		3	0
LaMothe, Torey	Approved		3	0
<b>New Apps for LPC-S</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Holmes-Moore, Jana L.	Approved		3	0
Jones-Brown, Daisy Annette	Contingent		3	0
Tullos, Thomas J.	Approved		3	0
Yeates, Edward	Approved		3	0
<b>P-LPC to Candidacy Apps</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Dase, LaShonda Rebecca	Approved		3	0
Francis, Cynthia Leah	Approved		3	0
Gray, Angela E.	Approved		3	0
Kemp, Della Renice	Approved		3	0
Morgan, Kayla Brooke	Approved		3	0
Sherrod, Ashley Rochelle	Approved		3	0
Stokes, Kimbrelia	Approved		3	0



**ADDENDUM A**

Vaughan, Emily J.	Approved		3	0
Jones, Jacqueline D.	Approved		3	0
<b>P-LPC to LPC Apps</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Sims, Rachel Nicole	Approved		3	0
<b>New Apps for Candidacy</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Johnson, Ellen Rose	Approved		3	0
Waites, Staci	Approved		3	0

**MS BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
License Report to Board - June 26, 2019**

<b>Licensed Since Last Meeting - May 17, 2019</b>	<b>Issue Date</b>	<b>Lic Number</b>	
Jennifer M. Alford	6/3/2019	2397	
Kiara LaTrese Bass	6/20/2019	2403	
T'Willie L. Chandler	5/31/2019	2396	
Gina Annette Cochran	6/19/2019	2402	
Crystal A. Cox	5/22/2019	2391	
Tashinika Lattae Crowley	5/23/2019	2393	
Amber Elizabeth Dishmon	5/31/2019	2395	
Alice Elaine Goff	5/22/2019	2390	
Brittany Nicole Jones	5/24/2019	2394	
Chrystal D. Mitchell	6/19/2019	2400	
Stephanie Marie Moses	5/22/2019	2398	
Candy Rae Rafal	6/17/2019	2404	
Jasmine Lyn Smith	6/19/2019	2401	
Jamie Rachael Taylor	5/21/2019	2388	
Carolyn Faye Tureaud	5/21/2019	2389	
Ruth Wakeley Ware	5/22/2019	2392	
Ashley Dominique Young	6/19/2019	2399	
Kevin W. Armstrong	5/17/2019	P-0525	
Dana Tate Bailey	6/6/2019	P-0527	
Sarah Dayton Gamble	6/17/2019	P-0321	
Jarome Lea Kirkland	6/19/2019	P-0322	
Stephanie L. Raines	5/17/2019	P-0524	
Jacqueline S. Taylor	5/23/2019	P-0526	

**ADDENDUM A**