

## **LPC Board Meeting Minutes**

February 24, 2012

### **Call to Order:**

The Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors held its quarterly meeting on Friday, February 24 2012, in the Triangle Cultural Center at 332 North Main Street, Yazoo City, MS.

Dr. Carol B. Jones, Board Chair, opened the meeting at approximately 9:30 a.m.

Members present were: Dr. Carol Jones, Chair, Dr. Glenn Waller, Dr. Lela Weems, Dr. Kenisha Gordon, Ms Leona Bishop, and Ms Ann Cox, Executive Director. Ms Leyser Hayes, Board Attorney was also present.

Guest attending was Steven Stafford.

Motion made to approve the minutes with corrections from the November 2011 meeting and passed unanimously.

### **Old Business**

#### **In the Matter of Billy Brown, Cause No # 052011**

Upon motion by Leona Bishop, the Board unanimously voted to go into a closed determination session to establish the need for an Executive Session. In the closed determination session, a motion was made by L. Weems and seconded by G. Waller that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of deliberating and considering the qualifications of Billy Brown for licensure which could lead to an appeal of the Board's decision or litigation against the Board.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board reopened the meeting to the public and announced the aforesaid reason for entering into Executive Session.

Upon conclusion of the business in executive session, a motion was made by L. Weems and seconded by G. Waller for the Board to come out of executive session. The motion passed by the Board members. The Board resumed in open session by announcing the above described action and votes taken in Executive Session.

### **Executive Session**

Within the Executive Session, the Board took the following action:

Denied Billy Brown's application for licensure. While the applicant produced sufficient evidence to show his Mississippi residency his supervision hours raised questionable concerns dealing with a) overlapping supervision hours from different supervisors, b) the total supervision hours, c) hours received in direct contact supervision, d) hours for direct and indirect counseling, e) hours for individual and group counseling and inconsistent supervision reports filed by his supervisors. [see attached Order signed April 17, 2012 outlining in detail reasons for the denial set forth above].

### **Cause no. #062011 and 01262012**

Upon motion by L. Bishop, the Board unanimously voted to go into a closed determination session to establish the need for an Executive Session.

In the determination session, L. Weems moved, seconded by G. Waller, that the Board had reason to go into Executive Session, namely: to discuss and approve applications for licensure said documents are exempt from public access because they are considered confidential and the discussion about them could lead to prospective litigation and to conduct investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law in Complaints # 062011, and #01262012.

Upon unanimous vote, the board reopened the meeting to the public and announced the aforesaid reasons as the Board's purpose for entering into Executive Session.

Upon conclusion of the business in Executive Session, a motion made by L. Bishop and seconded by L. Weems for the Board to come out of Executive Session. The motion passed by the Board members. The Board resumed in open session by announcing the below described action and votes taken in Executive session.

### **Executive Session**

The following was recorded as action taken during executive session:

- a) Cause No.062011 was set for hearing May 17, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in Jackson, Mississippi;
- b) Cause No. 01262012 was held pending further investigation.

### **Applications**

Upon motion by L. Weems, the Board unanimously voted to go into a closed determination session to establish the need for an Executive Session.

In the determination session, L. Bishop moved, seconded by G. Waller, that the Board had reason to go into Executive Session, namely: to discuss and approve applications for licensure said documents are exempt from public access because they are considered confidential and the discussion about them could lead to prospective litigation.

The Board announced to the public the aforesaid reasons as the Board's purpose for entering into Executive Session.

### **Executive Session**

The motion was made by L. Bishop and seconded by K. Gordon to **approve these 19 applicants for licensure**. The motion passed unanimously. These individuals were:

Cade, Rochelle  
Cauthen, Melissa Jill  
Gaynor, Nadia  
Gezon, Carolyn J.  
Green, Traci  
Hill, William Harvey Jr.  
Hubbard, William Walter  
Kebodeaux, Bradley W.

Lancaster, Dana  
Lee, Anita  
Mylorlie, Robika  
O' Neil, Kathryn  
Palmer, James "Rusty"  
Robin, Elizabeth Danielle  
Slaven, Kristen  
Spann, Rebecca  
Spells, Betty  
Stempkouski, Rhonda  
Webb, Bernita

The motion was made by K. Gordon and seconded by L. Weems to **approve 9 new applications for candidacy**.  
The motion passed. These individuals were:

Cater, Cori  
Galloway, Monique  
Gilliam, Ervin  
Hammons, Dr. Lisa  
Lawrence, Shanta  
Patton, August  
Ray, Valarie  
Stevens, Dr. John  
Washington-Anderson, Tina

A motion was made by L. Bishop and seconded by G. Waller to approve **these 8 applications for Board Qualified Supervisor**. The motion passed unanimously. These individuals were:

Dean, Debbie Baker  
Evans, Vannette  
Hall, Fred  
Hudson, Keith  
Matheos, Konstantina  
Russell, Suzanne  
Sias, Dawn  
Wright, Terri

A motion was made by L. Weems and seconded by L. Bishop to **hold pending these 11 application for licensure**. The motion passed unanimously. These individual were:

Beacham, Richard  
Brasher, James  
Brewer, Candance  
Evans, Aleia Lane  
Herrington, Tonya  
Hollins, Ouida  
Martin, Kimberly  
Michael, Ashley  
Michael, Tony  
Paro, Carly  
Steen – Brown, Adrianne

A motion was made by L. Weems and seconded by L. Bishop to **hold pending these 6 applications for candidacy**. The motion passed unanimously. These individuals were:

Gill- McGee, Dr. Ayanna  
Fratesi-Long, Debra  
Hale-Young, Carolyn  
Leach, Kristi  
Norris, Gloria  
Robinson, Dr. Estelle Lacosta

Upon the conclusion of the business for executive session, a motion was made by K. Gordon seconded by G. Waller, that the Board come out of Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

Having exited Executive Session, the Board resumed in open meeting by announcing the above described action and votes taken in Executive Session.

Next Meeting:

The next regular quarterly meeting of the LPC Board is to be May 18, 2012, at Board Office in Yazoo City, MS at 9:30 a.m.

Adjourn:

All of the Board business was finished and a motion made by G. Waller and seconded by K. Gordon to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 24, 2012.



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Signature of Chair

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May 18, 2012

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Date