



# LADC Public Meeting Minutes

Alcohol & Other Drug Use Professionals Board  
Aug 10, 2023 at 8:00 AM EDT

## Attendance

### Present:

Members: Jessica Carter, Régent Champigny, Alexandra Hamel, Kelly Luedtke, Joni O'Brien

#### I. Call To Order 8:13

The Board was called to order by Kelly Luedtke, Chair

#### II. Review of Public Minutes

Motion to approve the July 13, 2023 minutes

#### **Motion to Approve Minutes:**

Motion to approve as amended.

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Joni O'Brien. Roll call vote 5-0-0

#### III. Public Appearances

##### A. 8:15 Heather Kelly, Director of Operations

\*The Board is interested in hiring an investigator - what does this entail, how can they get the process started?

\*CE Broker - What does this entail, when will this begin.

\*PLC 1002 fees for each profession. In the LADC profession, there is an exam fee which the Board no longer accepts fees for, and to the Board's knowledge, neither does OPLC.

\*Are the PHP fees included in the Plc 1002.

CE broker collects the ce requirements-licensees would upload their ce's into the system and the ce broker would monitor the continuing education and determine what is missing and notify the licensee and/or mark as delinquent. How will this company monitor the intricacies that this board has in place. The CE Broker is working with OPLC to learn all of the intricacies of each Board and will create the program accordingly. They will be beginning this process in September, however, the LADC Board is not on the list of Boards to begin this in September.

Hiring an investigator there needs to be a discussion with Enforcement to see if there is a need which depends on the volume. The requirements are set around the needs of the Board. Then there would be a group that would review the cases

based on volumes and industry standards. Heather will talk with the Director of Enforcement, Jessica and bring back to the Board next month.

**Motion:**

Motion to send a letter to Enforcement and OPLC Administration to inquire into the LADC Board hiring an investigator.

Motion moved by Régent Champigny and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel.

Roll Call Vote 5-0-0

B. 1:30 IC & RC Mark Attanasi

To speak to the Board about the Entry Level Peer Recovery Credential.

IC & RC is creating a 3 tiered entry level to get into the profession. First level the applicant does not need to hold a high school diploma. IC & RC is not requiring a background check, they are leaving it up to the member boards themselves to do the criminal backgrounds. This is strictly an entry into the profession.

The second tier requires a high school diploma.

The third tier will be the supervisor over the two lower tiers.

Boards can adopt the new entry into the profession if they choose, it is not a requirement. But it is great to know, after speaking with the Board, that you are doing exactly what we are attempting to do, eliminating barriers as much as possible and providing an entry into the profession. IC & RC has a code of ethics, which can be adopted if the Board chooses, we are not mandating adoption of the code of ethics. State certifications provide ce's every 3 years. A lot of state entities do require 40 ce's over 3 years. You can just divide the amount of hours by the years so it works out evenly for your renewal cycle.

This state certification will be funded by the member boards. Samhsa's goal is to eliminate any barriers, if a member Board has to charge a fee, the Board's can work within their state to find a way to do that.

This certification/entry is in addition to a CRSW certification. We are trying to diversify the workforce, the people could get this quicker, easier, and we could give an exam sooner if we feel the applicant is ready to move to the next level.

The majority of the CRSW's are being supervised by SUD counselors. NH has credentialed clinicians who has to take courses before they can supervise clinicians. Mark invited the NH Board to be at the table during

this discussion. Jessica Carter, CRSW said she would be glad to join in at the table. It is great to hear NH has this process in place. He is available if anyone has any additional questions, just email me and we will get together for a zoom call to answer any questions.

Blue Cross & Blue Shield have agreed to include these peers as billable hours. The goal is trying to get reimbursement for the Peer Recovery positions. He wants to have the existing Board adopt this and to be the leaders and help give them a jump start on getting this process moving.

1. Other IC & RC Topics

- a. IC & RC Senate Newsletter - Board Advisement
- b. ADC Member Board Standards Form

The Board Chair offered to complete the form and the administrator will submit it electronically.

C. Vincent Joe, CRSW 0245 Adjudicatory Hearing

The Hearing began at 9:00 a.m.

**Motion:**

9:05 a.m. Motion to move into Non-Public session

Motion moved by Reggie and motion seconded by Joni O'Brien. Roll call vote 5-0-0.

11:00 a.m. Board returned to Public Session

D. Jennifer Casey, LADC #1012 Adjudicatory Hearing

11:03 a.m. the hearing opened.

**Motion:**

11:10 a.m. Motion to Move into Non-Public session

Motion moved by Alexandra Hamel and motion seconded by Jessica Carter. Roll call vote 5-0-0

1:37 p.m. the Board returned to Public session

1. Prosecution Exhibits - Attorney Garrigan
2. Defense Exhibits - Attorney Keenan

IV. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

- A. Plc Fees in effect 8/1/23

Heather Kelley to discuss with the Board. The exam fee included in the rules was an oversight and it will be addressed next year. OPLC is required to review the fees in rules every year. the PHP fee is not included in the fees listed in Plc 1002.

B. Standing Order received from Director Courtney

Board Counsel to advise the Board

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

A. Joshua Curry request for reciprocity for LCS license

Mr. Curry will need to apply through NH for the LCS licensure under the Alc 314 rules located on the Board's website, completing the application and submitting the fee and any other requirements stated there. New Hampshire does not have the type of reciprocal relationship with IC & RC that automatically accepts the reciprocity verification from IC & RC and issues a license. The passing of HB 594 the reciprocity bill may assist with this process in the future.

**Motion:**

Motion for the Administrator to draft the letter and send to the Chair for final approval.

Motion moved by Reggie and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. Roll call vote 5-0-0

VII. Licensure

CRSW's Recommended by Peer Review

**Rachel Harness:**

Motion to Approve for certification

Motion moved by Alexandra Hamel and motion seconded by Joni O'Brien. roll call vote 5-0-0

**Scott Gordon:**

Motion to Approve for Certification

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. roll call vote 5-0-0.

**Patricia Parkington:**

Motion to Approve for Certification

Motion moved by Regent and motion seconded by Joni O'Brien. roll call vote 5-0-0

**Joyce Fulweiler:**

Motion to Approve for Certification

Motion moved by Alexandra Hamel and motion seconded by Reggi. Roll Call Vote 5-0-0

VIII. MLADC's Recommended by Peer Review

A. Sarah Murphy

**Motion:**

Motion to Approve

Motion moved by Joni O'Brien and motion seconded by reggie. Roll Call Vote 5-0-0.

IX. Request to Supervise CRSW's recommended by Peer Review

A. Rogena Hugo request to supervise CRSW's

**Motion:**

Motion to Approve

Motion moved by Joni O'Brien and motion seconded by reggie. Roll Call Vote 5-0-0.

B. Kristi Southers request to supervise CRSW's

**Motion:**

Motion to Approve

Motion moved by Alexandra Hamel and motion seconded by Jessica Carter. Roll Call Vote 5-0-0

X. Request for CE program approval. Recommended by Peer Review

A. Northeast Integrative Medicine Conference

**Motion:**

Motion to Approve

Motion moved by Joni O'Brien and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. Roll Call Vote 5-0-0.

XI. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

A. Alc 400 Initial Proposal - Draft

Tabled

B. Alc 200 - Initial Proposal - Draft

Tabled

C. Plc 200 - signed by Governor on 6/28/23

Tabled

XII. Non-Public Session

Non-Public session conducted for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

**Motion to move into Non-Public session at 2:09 p.m.:**

Motion moved by Alexandra Hamel and motion seconded by Jessica Carter. Roll call vote 5-0-0

XIII. Resume Public Session

4:00 p.m.

XIV. Seal The Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Seal The Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

**Motion to Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session:**

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Reggie. Roll call vote 5-0-0.

**Motion to Approve for CRSW Certification:**

Jeffrey Kiernan CRSW Applicant

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. Roll call vote 5-0-0

**Motion to Approve for LADC Licensure:**

Noel Cassen LADC Applicant

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. Roll call vote 5-0-0

**Motion Approve for LADC Licensure:**

Jessica Slater LADC Applicant

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. Roll call vote 5-0-0

**Motion to Approve for LADC Licensure:**

Ken Haberland LADC Applicant

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. Roll call vote 5-0-0

**Motion Approve for CRSW Certification:**

Sarah Harris CRSW Applicant

Motion moved by Jessica Carter and motion seconded by Alexandra Hamel. Roll call vote 5-0-0

XV. Adjournment

4:03 p.m. the Board Adjourned

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Motion moved by Reggie and motion seconded by Jessica Carter. Roll Call Vote 4-0-0