



Board of Mental Health Practice

January 27, 2023 at 9:00 AM

7 Eagle Square, Concord NH

Attendance

Members Present:

Samuel Rosario, Chair, Amy Alletzhauser, Debbie Robinson, Rebecca Bemis, Kristin Grasso

Members Absent:

Christine Gribben

Staff Present:

Jeanne Webber, Board Administrator, Traci Weber, Board Administrator, Sheri Phillips, Esq., Board Counsel

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:05 a.m., with a quorum of the Board present.

II. Approval of Minutes

A. TABLED November 18, 2022

B. December 16, 2022

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to approve the minutes as written. Abstained: Ms. Grasso. Motion passed.

III. Public Appearances

A. Gonzalez, Neisha - Show Cause - 10:30 am

Motion:

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted to accept Applicant's master's degree in school guidance counseling as the educational equivalent of that required in RSA 330-A:19, I and waive the requirement of Rule 305.01(b)(3)(f) with respect to an internship based on the testimony and documents provided.

B. Silva da Fonseca, Renato - Show Cause - 11:00 am

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Ms. Bemis, the Board voted to accept the Applicant's master's degrees in psychology and philosophy as the

educational equivalent of that required in RSA 330-A:19, I, based on testimony and documents provided.

IV. Board Administrator Updates

A. LPP Exam - Informational, no Board action required

B. Lauri Johnson, MSW

Letter requesting additional documentation - Informational

C. Anthem Provider Communication - Informational, no Board action required

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield will begin reimbursing for services provided by unlicensed clinical behavioral health providers actively seeking licensure in New Hampshire

V. Tabled

A. Kimberly Blank, MSW - Waiver

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Ms. Grasso, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to an extension of the supervision period.

Motion passed.

VI. New Business

A. Katherine Travers, MSW - Waiver

Motion:

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosario, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to supervision documentation.

Motion passed.

B. Elizabeth Foley, MS - Waiver

Request for Conditional license - TABLED to the February 17, 2023 meeting

C. Julie Barbick, LICSW - LSSW Request

Motion:

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to licensed school social worker licensure. Motion passed.

D. Bette Gioffre, MSW – Waiver

Motion:

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to supervision documentation. Motion

passed.

- E. Sydney Venuti, MSW – Waiver

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Bemis, with a second by Ms. Grasso, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to supervision documentation. Motion passed.

VII. Rules Review / Legislation Update

- A. Conditional Licensing Rules - Proposed language

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- B. Legislation Update - 30 Minutes

1. HB114 - Relative to the age at which a minor may receive mental health treatment without parental consent.

Motion:

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Mr. Rosario, the Board voted to support this bill pending clarification of issues regarding confidentiality and payment for services. The Board voted to delegate Dr. Alletzhauser and Board Counsel to testify on the Board's behalf. Motion passed.

2. HB428 - Relative to Mental Health Practice

Motion:

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted to affirm and support this Bill, and to delegate Mr. Rosario and Board Counsel to testify on the Board's behalf. Motion passed.

3. HB306 - Relative to prohibiting reunification therapy.

Motion:

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted to oppose this Bill based on wording and lack of clarity, and to delegate Board Counsel to testify on the Board's behalf. Motion passed.

4. HB505-FN - Relative to comprehensive mental health education in schools.

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Ms. Bemis, the Board voted to support this Bill, noting that "STD" should be amended to the current accepted wording "STI," and delegate Ms. Robinson and Board Counsel to testify on the Board's behalf. Motion passed.

5. SB207 - Establishing a committee to study licensure of mental health professionals.

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to oppose this Bill due to redundancy with current processes and delegate Mr. Rosario and Board Counsel to testify on the Board's behalf. Motion passed.

6. SB44 - FN - relative to license requirements for certain alcohol and other drug use professionals.

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to oppose this Bill and delegate Mr. Rosario and Board Counsel to testify on the Board's behalf. Motion passed.

I. First Non-Public Session

At 11:35 a.m., upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted to conduct the **1st non-public session** for the purpose of evaluating complaints, the approval disapproval/correction of the Non-Public Minutes and other confidential Board business and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:5, IV, RSA 330-A:29, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

II. Resume Public Session

Motion:

At 12:19 p.m., upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to resume public session.

A. Seal Minutes from 1st Non-Public Session

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to withhold the minutes of the preceding **1st non-public session** from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and/or to render the proposed action ineffective.

III. Second Non-Public Session

At 12:51 a.m., upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Ms. Bemis, the Board voted to conduct the **2nd non-public session** for the purpose of evaluating complaints, the approval disapproval/correction of the Non-Public Minutes and other confidential Board business and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c),

RSA 91-A:5, IV, RSA 330-A:29, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

IV. Resume Public Session

Motion:

At 3:36 p.m., upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to resume public session.

A. Seal Minutes from Non-Public Session

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted to withhold the minutes of the preceding 2nd non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and/or to render the proposed action ineffective.

V. Licensure Approvals

Motion:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to approve the following applicants for licensure. Motion passed.

A. MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

- A. GRAY, Ashley, PhD
- B. GRAY, Virginia, MS
- C. LALONE, Abigail, MS

2. APPLICATIONS TO BE RATIFIED

- A. GELPI, Elizabeth, MS
- B. MARQUIS, Kenna, MS
- C. YOUNG, Tonya, MS

3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. BENDECK, Angela, MS
- B. CHAPMAN, Brian, MA
- C. CRUS, Kirsten, MA
- D. FOLEY, Elizabeth, MS
- E. GLENNON, Quenton, MS
- F. GONZALEZ, Neisha, MEd

- G. LAKIN, Heather, MS
- H. LISEMBEE, Lauren, MA
- I. SILVA da FONSECA, Renato
- J. TESSIER, Jada, MSW - DBTeens agreement
- K. WHITE, Julia, MS
- L. WITHROW, Lindsey, MS

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. BEAULE, Michael, MA
- B. BOWERS, Anna, MS
- C. LYMAN-MAYNARD, Katie, MEd
- D. MYERS-SANTOS, Hannah, MS
- E. NELSON, Peter, MA
- F. SEMAKULA, Paula, MA
- G. SUMMASUP, Evan, MA
- H. TREMBLAY, Christina, MA

B. SOCIAL WORKERS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

- A. BUCHWALTER, Asheley, MSW
- B. CARTER, Victoria, MSW
- C. GIOFFRE, Bette, MSW – Waiver
- D. KNIGHT, Wanda, MSW
- E. TRAVERS, Katherine, MSW
- F. VENUTI, Sydney, MSW

2. APPLICATIONS TO BE RATIFIED

- A. ABBOTT, Joan, MSW
- B. DAUDELIN, Megan, MSW
- C. FARRELL, Kelly, MSW
- D. FRANKEL, Linley, MSW
- E. HEINTZ, Jennifer, MSW
- F. JERGENSEN, Andrea, MSW
- G. KOEHLER, Maria, MSW
- H. KRUMPE, Erin, MSW
- I. RIDINGER, Lisa, MSW
- J. SILVERS, Jessica, MSW
- K. WAKEMAN, Ariana, MSW
- L. WOODS, Emily, MSW

3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. BIEDRZYCKI, Jocelyn, MSW
- B. GIOFFRE, Bette, MSW

- C. HEUSER, Samantha, MSW
- D. PYLES, Ericka, MSW

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. CASEY, Gabrielle, MSW
- B. MORRISSETTE, Rose, MSW
- C. PEARCE, Rebecca, MSW
- D. SPAINHOWER, Sophia, MSW

5. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE – REINSTATEMENT

C.MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. MELLO, Julia, MS
- B. STILES, Nicole, MS – second agreement

D.PASTORAL PSYCHOTHERAPISTS

- 1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: N/A**
- 2. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: N/A**
- 3. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: N/A**

VI. Adjournment

Motion:

At 3:39 p.m., upon a motion by Ms. Grasso, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.

