



# Board of Mental Health Practice

May 19, 2023 at 9:00 AM  
7 Eagle Square, Concord NH 03301

## Attendance

### Members Present:

Samuel Rosario, Chair (SR), Amy Alletzhauer (AA), Christina Gribben (CG) *via zoom*,  
Rebecca Bemis (RB), Courtney Porter (CP), Lara Gruner-Orf (LGO)

### Members Absent:

Deborah Robinson  
Kristin Grasso

### Staff Present:

Jeanne Webber, Board Administrator; Elizabeth Easton, Esq., Board Counsel

#### I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:59 a.m., with a quorum of the Board present.

#### II. Approval of Minutes

##### A. April 21, 2023 Public Minutes

### Motion:

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by CP, the Board voted to approve the minutes as written; motion passed. **Abstained:** AA

#### III. Public Appearances

##### A. John Pennington, LCMHC Applicant - Show Cause Hearing

### Motion:

Upon a motion by AA, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to deny the Applicant's requests for waiver of substantive rules and deny the application for John Pennington as a LCMHC; motion passed.

#### IV. Board Administrator Updates - Informational

##### A. Schedule

##### B. Social Work Licensure Compact

Letter in support of Compact

##### C. Association of Social Work Boards

##### 1. Powerpoint

A regulator's tool kit: Data-informed decision-making

- D. Association of Marital & Family Therapy Regulatory Boards
- E. ASWB Exam Program Presentation – Dr. Stacy Hardy-Chandler and Mr. Dale Atkinson from the Association of Social Work Boards presented information regarding the ASWB Exam.

V. New Business

A. Waivers

1. Sarah Ames, LCMHC Candidate

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by CP, the Board voted to approve the waiver request of official transcripts until they are issued by the school. Motion passed.

2. Aaron Boucher, LCMHC Candidate

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by AA, the Board voted to deny the waiver request related to official transcripts. Motion passed.

3. Alicia Brown, LICSW Candidate

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by CP, with a second by AA, the Board voted to approve the waiver request of official transcripts until they are issued by the school. Motion passed.

4. Lucia Jarrell, MS

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by AA, with a second by RB, the Board voted to deny the waiver request related to waiving the MFT examination requirement. Motion passed.

5. Sarah Letendre, LICSW Candidate

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by CP, with a second by CG, the Board voted to deny the waiver request related to backdating. Motion passed.

6. Susan McInerney, MSW

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by AA, with a second by RB, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to waiving the ASWB examination requirement. Motion passed.

7. Heather Trempe, MS

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by AA, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to deny the waiver request related to waiving the NCMHCE examination requirement. Motion passed.

8. Rachel Woods, MSW

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by AA, with a second by CG, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to backdating. Motion passed.

VI. Rules and Legislative Updates

A. Legislative Updates

- SB 44 FN - Relative to license requirements for certain alcohol and other drug use professionals
- HB655 - Relative to the office of professional licensure and certification
- HB2 - Relative to state fees, funds, revenues, and expenditures
- HB507 - Relative to unauthorized practice in occupational and professional licensing and certification
- HB321 - Relative to minutes from nonpublic sessions under the right to know law

B. Rules - Mhp 300 Final Proposal drafts - review for next meeting

VII. Non-Public Session

At 10:37 a.m., upon a motion by RB, with a second by AA, the Board voted to conduct a **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.

**[Minutes kept separately].**

VIII. Resume Public Session

**Motion:**

At 12:55 p.m., upon a motion by AA, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to resume public session.

A. Seal Minutes from Non-Public Session

Upon a motion by CG, with a second by AA, the Board voted to withhold the minutes of the preceding 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.

IX. Licensure Approvals

**Motion:**

Upon a motion by CG, with a second by RB, the Board voted to approve the following applicants for licensure. Motion passed.

**I. APPLICATIONS QUALIFICATION & LICENSURE**

**A. MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS**

**1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE**

- A. BERNIER TAYLOR, Whitney, MA
- B. STRAWSER, Samantha, MS
- C. WADDELL, Amy, MA

**2. APPLICATIONS TO BE RATIFIED**

- A. FORTIN, Amanda, MA
- B. MCCREEDY, Mary Jo, MA
- C. SMITH, Joanna, MS
- D. VILJANEN, Larson, MA

**3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS**

- A. AMES, Sarah, MA
- B. AUSTIN, Lyla, MS
- C. CADY, Allison, MS
- D. REALE, Alexis, MA
- E. SMITH, Kathryn, MA
- F. TARANOW, Arlene, MS

**4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS**

- A. BEECHER, Alyssa, MA
- B. BONA WITZ, Emily, MA
- C. BOWDEN, Kayleen, MA
- D. CRAMER, William, MA
- E. GANCORZ, Caitlyn, MA
- F. HELFRICH, Allie, MS
- G. SIEGLER, Meghan, MA
- H. STEWART, Darryl, MA

**5. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE - REINSTATEMENT**

- A. N/A

**B. SOCIAL WORKERS**

**1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE**

- A. ABIZAID, Carol, MSW
- B. BROME, Christine, MSW
- C. KING, Erin, MSW
- D. STANLEY, Mallorie, MSW
- E. ULRICKSON III, Roy, MSW

**2. APPLICATIONS TO BE RATIFIED**

- A. ANSON, Debra, MSW
- B. AUSTIN, Jenna, MSW
- C. BEUHLER, Rangell, MSW
- D. CAVARNOS, Sarah, MSW
- E. CHESNUT, Theresa, MSW
- F. CLOW ROLLINS, Cheria, MSW
- G. DEAN, Ramsay, MSW
- H. ELLSWORTH, Jennifer, MSW
- I. GROSSMAN, Lindsay, MSW
- J. HOPKINS, Dishonda, MSW
- K. INFINGER, Kirsten, MSW
- L. MCINERNEY, Susan, MSW
- M. NARDELLO, Marisa, MSW
- N. PEADEN LAWS, Sara, MSW
- O. SCHOENROCK, Elizabeth, MSW
- P. SILVA, Kayla, MSW
- Q. WEISS, Danielle, MSW

**3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS**

- A. ADAM, Yasmin, MSW
- B. BROWN, Alicia, MSW
- C. KEVLIK, Catherine, MSW
- D. LETENDRE, Sarah, MSW
- E. MASSEY, Abigael, MSW
- F. OBREITER, Marie, MSW
- G. PELCHAT, Jillian, MSW
- H. SEAGER, Katelyn, MSW
- I. SEHER, Jennifer, MSW
- J. SMITH, Stacey, MSW

**4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS**

- A. DELOTTO, Julia, MSW
- B. HOUSER, Samantha, MSW
- C. LAFOND, Jasmine, MSW
- D. NICKOLA, Melissa, MSW
- E. SHEA, Thomas, MSW
- F. SIAN, Andree, MSW
- G. WOODS, Rachel, MSW

**6. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE - REINSTATEMENT**

- A. RICCI-TRAHAN, Celeste, MSW

**C. MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS (AA reviewing)**

**1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE**

- A. N/A

**2. APPLICATIONS TO BE RATIFIED**

- A. N/A

**3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS**

- B. N/A

**4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS**

- A. N/A

**5. REINSTATEMENT:**

- A. N/A

**D. PASTORAL PSYCHOTHERAPISTS**

**1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: N/A**

**2. APPLICATIONS TO BE RATIFIED: N/A**

**3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS:  
N/A**

**4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: N/A**

**X. Adjournment**

**Motion:**

At 2:10 p.m., upon a motion by LGO, with a second by AA, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.