

**South Carolina Board of Examiners for the Licensure of
Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Addiction Counselors
and Psycho-Educational Specialists
Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Synergy Business Park in the Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 105
Columbia, South Carolina 29210**

MINUTES

Board Members Present

Dr. Danny L. Garnett, LMFT, LPC, D.Min., Chair
Dr. Jennifer C. L. Jordan, Ph.D., LPC, Vice Chair
Robert B. Carter, Ed.S., LMFT, Member
Nikita Harrison, Ed.S., LMFT, Member
Jeannie James, LAC, Member
Charles D. Stinson, LAC, Member
Jerome Tilghman Jr., M.A., LPC, Member

Board Member Absent

None

Staff Present

Mary League, Advice Counsel
Marlo Koger, Board Administrator
Shaun Strother, Board Assistant

Public Notice of this meeting was properly posted at the office of the South Carolina Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Addiction Counselors and Psycho-Educational Specialists, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, SC 29210, was posted on the Board website and provided to any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, as amended, relating to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

NOTE: These Minutes are a record of the motions and official actions taken by the Board and a brief summary of the meeting.

Call to Order

Dr. Garnett, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 105 located in the Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, at 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members: No absences, no motions.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to approve the October 8, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. James. All were in favor and the motion passed.

President's Remarks: Dr. Garnett addressed the board.

Administrative Reports

Office of Investigations and Enforcement Reports (OIE/IRC): Angela Baldwin, Office of Investigations and Enforcement presented two (2) cases for dismissal and two (2) formal complaints.

IRC Recommendations:

Case# Dismissals

- 2019-37
- 2019-41

Case# Formal Complaints

- 2018-79
- 2019-81

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for the two (2) dismissals. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for the two (2) formal complaints. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the statistical report as information.

Office of General Council Report (ODC): The Board reviewed the ODC report as information.

Finance Report: The Board reviewed the finance report as information.

Administrator's Remarks: Mrs. Koger, Board Administrator addressed the board.

Request for Waiver of Association of Marital and Family Therapy Boards (AMFTRB-MFT) Exam Regulation 36:07 - Mary Humphries:

Motion: In open session, Ms. James made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Humphries request for waiver of AMFTRB-MFT Exam Regulation 36:07. The motion was seconded by Dr. Jordan. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Tilghman made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to deny Ms. Humphries request. The motion was seconded by Ms. James. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Disciplinary Hearings

Memorandum of Agreement - Case #2017-49: The respondent made a personal appearance before the Board and was represented by legal counsel. Ms. Baldwin, Office of Disciplinary Counsel presented Case #2017-49 memorandum of agreement to the Board.

Motion: In open session, Ms. James made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Case #2017-49. The motion was seconded by Dr. Jordan. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

Motion: In open session, Ms. James made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to accept the memorandum of agreement with conditions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stinson. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Memorandum of Agreement - Case #2017-52: The respondent made a personal appearance before the Board and was represented by legal counsel. Ms. Brown, Office of Disciplinary Counsel presented Case #2017-52 memorandum of agreement to the Board.

Motion: In open session, Ms. James made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Case #2017-52. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

Motion: In open session, Ms. James made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to accept the memorandum of agreement with conditions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman and Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Hearing - Case #2017-11: The respondent made a personal appearance before the Board and was represented by legal counsel. Ms. Brown, Office of Disciplinary Counsel presented Case #2017-11 to the Board.

Motion: In open session, Ms. James made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Case #2017-11. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Stinson made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to accept the memorandum of agreement. The motion was seconded by Ms. James. All were in favor and the motion passed.

New Business

2020 New Mileage Rate: Ms. Koger, Board Administrator presented the 2020 mileage rate to the board.

2019 to 2020 Travel Budget: Ms. Koger, Board Administrator presented the 2019-2020 travel budget to the board.

Travel Meetings: The board discussed the upcoming meetings.

Other Meetings:

Motion: In open session, Mr. Tilghman made a motion that Dr. Jordan attend the 2020 American Counseling Association (ACA) Conference and Expo, April 16-19, 2020 in San Diego, California. The motion was seconded by Ms. James. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Review List of New Licenses and Continuing Education Sponsors: The Board reviewed the list of New Licensees and Continuing Education Sponsors.

Ratification of New Licenses and Continuing Education (CE) Sponsors: Dr. Garnett, Chairman addressed the board.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan, made a motion to approve the ratification of New Licenses and CE Sponsors. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stinson. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Update on 2019 Renewals: The board discussed the 2019 renewals.

Continuing Education (CE) Broker: Ms. Koger, Board Administrator addressed the board regarding Continuing Education (CE) Broker.

Ethics Commission: The board reviewed the Ethics Commission information and deadline to file date March 30, 2020.

Guidance and Resources Discussion and Vote – Committee to Review and Update Board Website: The board discussed the board's website.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Tilghman, made a motion to approve the committee and following board members to review and update the board website: Dr. Garnett and Dr. Jordan. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison, Mr. Stinson, and Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Discussion and Vote

2020 Board Officers - Chair and Vice Chair:

Motion: In open session, Ms. Harrison, made a motion as follows: Dr. Garnett as Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Stinson, made a motion as follows: Dr. Jordan as Vice-Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman, Mr. Carter and Ms. James. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Ethics Committee: The board discussed the ethics committee.

Continuing Education (CE) Sponsor Application Committee: The board discussed the CE Sponsor Application Committee.

Continuing Education (CE) Audit Committee – 2019 Renewal Parameters and Sample Size for Auditing: The board discussed the CE Audit Committee, 2019 Renewal Parameters and Sample Size for Auditing.

Committee to Review and Revise Regulations as Needed: The board discussed a Committee to review and revise regulations as needed.

Review of Continuing Education (CE) Requirements for Licensed Addiction Counselors: The board discussed the CE Requirements for Licensed Addiction Counselors.

Discussion Topics

- a. **North Carolina Board Name Change – North Carolina Board of Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors:** The board discussed the North Carolina Board Name Change.
- b. **Reciprocity with North Carolina:** The board discussed reciprocity with North Carolina.
- c. **The American Counseling Association (ACA) Interstate Compact for Portability:** The board discussed the ACA Interstate Compact for Portability.

Public Comments: No public comments.

2020 Board Meeting Dates: The Board discussed the 2020 Board Meeting Dates.

Adjournment

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to adjourn. Ms. James seconded the motion. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marlo Koger, Administrator
S.C. Board of Examiners for the Licensure of
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7/22/2020
Date