South Carolina Board of Examiners for the Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho-Educational Specialists

Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Synergy Business Park in the Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Room 105 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

MINUTES

Board Members Present

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 Jerome Tilghman Jr., M.A., LPC, Member Michael Bailey (Public Member)

Board Member Absent

None

Staff Present

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

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, and Psycho-Educational Specialists, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, Room 105 at 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, SC 29210 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 9:00 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/Disapproval of Absent Members:

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to approve Mr. Bailey's absence from the February 6, 2018 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Approval of the Agenda:

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

Approval of the Minutes:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Carter made a motion to approve the February 6, 2018 meeting minutes – no corrections noted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Disciplinary Issues and Reports

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE/IRC) Report: Mr. Love, Chief Investigator of Office of Investigations and Enforcement presented ten (10) cases: six (6) cases for dismissal, two (2) letters of caution, and two (2) formal complaints to the Board.

IRC Recommendations

Case # (Dismissals):

- 2017-34
- 2017-54
- 2017-59
- 2017-61
- 2017-67
- 2017-74

Case # (Letters of Caution)

- 2017-68
- 2017-73

Case # (Formal Complaints)

- 2017-52
- 2018-10

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for six (6) cases for dismissal, two (2) letters of caution, and 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 (ODC) Report: The Board reviewed the ODC report as information.

<u>Finance Report:</u> Ms. Koger, Board Administrator presented the financial report. The Board reviewed the report as information.

<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>: Vote on Attendees for the 2018 State Licensure Boards Meeting, in St. Paul Minnesota, September 19-21, 2018.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion that the following attend the 2018 State Licensure Board Meeting: Ms. Koger, Mr. Garnett, and Dr. Jordan. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrision. All were in favor and the motion passed.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion that the following attend the AMFTRB in Philadelphia: Mr. Garnett and Ms. Harrison. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bailey. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the list of new licensees as information.

Ratification of New Licenses and Continuing Education (CE) Sponsors:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to accept and approve the Ratification of New Licenses and Continuing Education (CE) Sponsors. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Application Hearings

Jessica Swidnyk: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Swidnyk should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Swidnyk made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Swidnyk's application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Carter made a motion to grant Ms. Swidnyk licensure in South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Cheryl Coleman: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Coleman should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Coleman made an appearance before the board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Coleman's application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

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

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Tilghman made a motion to grant Ms. Coleman licensure in South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Dr. Jordan. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Jessica Jarman: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Jarman should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Jarman made an appearance before the board and was not represented by legal counsel.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to grant Ms. Jarman licensure in South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Kristen Kelly: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Kelly should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Kelly made an appearance before the board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to grant Ms. Kelly licensure in South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Joseph Korzelius: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Mr. Korzelius should be granted a license in South Carolina. Mr. Korzelius did not make a personal appearance before the board.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to defer Mr. Korzelius application until he can make a board appearance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Jessica Pena: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Pena should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Pena made an appearance before the board and was not represented by legal counsel.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to grant Ms. Pena licensure in South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Joyce Thompson: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Thompson should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Thompson made an appearance before the board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Thompson's application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tilghman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

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

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to grant Ms. Thompson licensure in South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Marlena Thomas: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Thomas should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Thomas did not make a personal appearance before the board. Ms. Koger, Board Administrator stated that Ms. Thomas contacted her and will not be able to attend this meeting.

Susan Van Staden: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Van Staden should be granted a license in South Carolina. Ms. Staden made an appearance before the board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Staden's application. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session.

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

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to deny Ms. Staden's licensure in South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Reinstatement/Re-application

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion to go into closed session in compliance with the state and federal confidentiality laws to discuss Mr. Scanlon's application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carter. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Board came out of Closed Session. Mr. Scanlon was granted reinstatement of licensure in South Carolina.

Disciplinary Hearings

- 2017-11
- 2017-49

The Board Chairman, Mr. Garnett signed both cases presented on the behalf of ODC.

Discussion Topics

- a. Review of Licensure Requirement with Post University, Professor Dr. Katey Baruth,
 Director of Master of Science in Human Services: The board discussed the review of licensure requirements.
- b. American Association of State Counseling Boards (AASCB) CACREP Delays Implementation: The board discussed the AASCB CACREP Delays.
- c. Review of the NBCC and Center for Credentialing Education (CCE) Contracts: The board discussed the contracts.
- d. Guidelines for Criminal Convictions in Regards to Licensure:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. Jordan made a motion as follows: If a criminal conviction is older than ten (10) years, staff can move it forward unless it involves a felony. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

- e. Review of two (2) year Intern Requirement Code of Regulations and Code of Ethics, Chapter 36: 36-05.1(A)(3) -Time frame license lapsed for Interns with No Supervisor on File: The board discussed the two (2) year intern requirement.
- f. Update on Statues and Regulations Changes: The board discussed the updates on Statues and Regulations.
- g. Update on Revised Code of Ethics: The board discussed updates for the Code of Ethics.
- h. Update on Review of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ): The board discussed the FAQ.
- i. Election of 2018 Board Officers:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Carter made a motion as follows: Mr. Garnet as President and Dr. Jordan as Vice-present. The motion was seconded by Ms. Harrison. All were in favor and the motion passed.

j. Reminder of the Board Meeting Cancellation (July 10, 2018): The board reviewed the cancellation date as information.

The Board reviewed the 2018 Board Meeting Dates as information.

Adjournment

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Tilghman made a motion to adjourn at 1:15 p.m.. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bailey. All were in favor and the motion passed. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlo Koger, Administrator

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