



Board of Mental Health Practice - Public

June 21, 2024 at 9:00 AM
7 Eagle Square, Concord NH 03301

Attendance

Members Present:

Samuel Rosario, Chair (SR); Rebecca Bemis (RB); Kristin Grasso (KG); Courtney Porter (CP) *via zoom*; Lara Gruner-Orf (LGO); Deborah Robinson (DR); Christina Gribben (CG)

**SR arrived at 9:14 am and left at 2:22 pm*

**DR left at 12:00 pm*

**CP left at 1:30 pm*

Members Absent:

Amy Alletzhauser (AA)

Board Vacancies: Member from a Community Health Center, Public Member

Staff Present: Jeanne Webber, Board Administrator; Elizabeth Eaton, Esq., Board Counsel; Trivani Shahi, Board Counsel Intern; Nikolas Frye, Esq., Hearings Examiner

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:03 a.m. with a quorum of the Board present.

Motion:

Upon a motion by RB, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to approve remote participation by CP, as attending the meeting in person is not practicable for reasons related to health; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

II. Approval of Minutes

A. May 17, 2024

Motion:

Upon a motion by DR, with a second by KG, the Board voted to approve the minutes as stated; motion passed via roll call vote. **Abstain:** LGO

B. April 19, 2024

Motion:

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by KG, the Board voted to approve the minutes as amended; motion passed via roll call vote. **Abstain:** CG, DR

III. Public Appearances

A. Paradise, Michelle

Hearing continued from April 19, 2024

Motion:

Hearing proceeded at 10:33 AM. Hearing concluded at 10: 56 AM. Upon a motion by RB, with a second by KG, the Board voted to dismiss; motion passed via roll call vote. **Abstain:** LGO, DR

- B. Decarolis, Dianne

Motion:

Hearing proceeded at 11:02 AM. Hearing concluded at 11:22 AM. The Board will keep the record open for Ms. DeCarolis to submit documentation referenced in her hearing and continue the hearing at the July 19, 2024 meeting; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

- C. Mierzwa-Winters, Morgan

Motion:

Hearing proceeded at 11:27 AM. Hearing concluded at 11:38 AM. Upon a motion by DR, with a second by LGO, the Board voted approve the waiver request pursuant to Mhp 301.01 (2) (o) and (p); motion passed via roll call vote. **Recused:** SR

- D. DeValk, Sara

Motion:

Hearing proceeded at 12:04 PM. Hearing concluded at 12: 15 PM. Upon a motion by CG, with a second by LGO, the Board find and conclude the Licensee is complying with the Settlement Agreement as of the first status hearing; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

- E. Foran, Padraic

Motion:

Hearing proceeded at 1:02 PM. Hearing concluded at 1:16 PM. Upon a motion by KG, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to approve the waiver and application for licensure; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

IV. Board Administrator Updates - Informational

- A. ASWB Updates
- B. Marriage and Family Therapy compact – The Council of State Governments provided information regarding exploring interest in the MFT Interstate Compact.
- C. Board Chair Meeting Minutes

- D. Enforcement Process discussion – Jessica Kallipolites, Director, Division of Enforcement, provided an overview of the complaint process and answered the Board’s questions.
- V. Tabled
 - A. School Social Workers - Courtney Porter - Tabled to July 19, 2024 meeting
- VI. New Business
 - A. Records Retention discussion – The Board discussed creating administrative rules related to licensee’s record retention.
 - B. Advisory Group discussion – The Board discussed creating a “job description” outlining responsibilities of the proposed advisory groups.
- VII. Old Business
 - A. Compact and Exam Discussion - Bethany Cottrell, Director, gave an update to the Board.
- VIII. Waivers
 - A. Barton, Margaret, MSW

Motion:
Upon a motion by CG, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to the requirement of submitting an official transcript; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.
 - B. Fournier, Sarah, MSW

Motion:
Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by RB, the Board voted to deny the waiver request related to backdating; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.
 - C. Grossman, Lindsey

Motion:
Upon a motion by RB, with a second KG, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to 1099 employment status for one supervisee; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.
 - D. Jefferson, Hope, MA

Motion:
Upon a motion by KG, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to extending the period of supervision for 1 year; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

E. Libby, Melissa, MSW

Motion:

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by CG, the Board voted to deny the waiver request related to submitting required supervision documentation; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

F. Pawelek, Aaron

Motion:

Upon a motion by RB, with a second by KG, the Board voted to approve the waiver request related to 1099 employment status for one supervisee; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

IX. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics

A. Legislative Updates - Informational

X. Non-Public Session

Motion 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.

Motion:

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by CG, the Board voted to initiate the first non-public session at 11:40 a.m.; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Motion:

Upon a motion by KG, with a second by RB, the Board voted to initiate the second non-public session at 12:15 p.m.; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Motion:

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by CG, the Board voted to initiate the third non-public session at 1:18 p.m.; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

XI. Resume Public Session

Motion:

Upon a motion by CG, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to resume public session at 12:02 p.m.; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

Motion:

Upon a motion by CG, with a second by LGO, the Board voted to resume public session at 1:00 p.m.; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

A. Seal Minutes from Non-Public Session

Motion 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.

Motion:

Upon a motion by LGO, with a second by CP, the Board voted to seal the minutes from the first non-public session; motion passed.

Motion:

Upon a motion by KG, with a second by CG, the Board voted to seal the minutes from the second non-public session; motion passed.

Motion:

Upon a motion by DR, with a second by RB, the Board voted to seal the minutes from the third non-public session; motion passed.

XII. Licensure Approvals - Informational. The following applications were approved since the May 17, 2024 meeting:

A. **MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS**

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

- A. BEDAN, Cheryl, MA
- B. DEWITT, Zachary, MS
- C. HOULE, Michelle, MS
- D. HURNYI, Vanda, MEd
- E. IRIZARRY, Amor, MS
- F. LESTER, Sean, PsyD
- G. MELISI, Rachel, MA
- H. NOVAK, Charles, MS
- I. SIMONE, Georgina, MA
- J. WILLIAMS, Sandra, MS

2. APPLICATIONS APPROVED THROUGH ENDORSEMENT

- A. BESKROWNI, Kathryn
- B. BLINOW, Nikolai
- C. BOUGOUNEAU, Theresa
- D. BREAZEALE, Kamry, MS
- E. BRIAND, Katherine, MA
- F. BURNETTE, Ashley
- G. ELLIS, Emily

- H. FRANCOIS, Lauren
- I. GARCIA, Gabriel
- J. GILLESPIE, Tina
- K. GRANT, Sanjay
- L. HENDERSON, Brian
- M. HERNANDEZ-CLEGG, Ileana
- N. JETTINGHOFF, Kirsten
- O. KELLS, Kathy
- P. KING, Christopher
- Q. KORNHAUS, Sarah
- R. LAMB, Emily
- S. LIBON, Mark
- T. MARESCA, Nicole
- U. MCGILL, Carrie
- V. MEIDANIS, Maria
- W. PAOLETTI, Justine
- X. PARK, Johanna
- Y. RALSTON, Hunter
- Z. RIZZOTTO, Angel
- AA. ROBERTS, Theresa
- BB. SHIFREEN, Amanda
- CC. SODEN, Amanda
- DD. STORJAHANN, Sarah
- EE. SYKES, Rachel
- FF. TCHERNIAKOVSKAIA, Daria
- GG. TOMER, Samantha
- HH. YORK, Christopher
- II. ZOLA, Kristi

3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. BEECH, Mellissa, MEd
- B. COTE, Kimberly, MA
- C. DUBUQUE, Cooper, MA
- D. GREENE, Brianna, MA
- E. GREGORY, Muriel, MA
- F. HOYT, Ashlee, MS
- G. JEFFERSON, Hope, MA
- H. LAMBRIGHT, Sally MA
- I. LEVESQUE, Timothy, MEd
- J. ROSE, Ellen, MA
- K. SOARES-JORGE, Mariem, MA
- L. STOWERS, Devonne, MA
- M. ZELIS, Rebecca, MA

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. CONANT, Emma, MA
- B. DOUCET, Kathryn, MS
- C. LANAGAN, Kayla, MEd
- D. MASTROMARINO, Caitlyn, MA
- E. MCRIGHT-KERNAN, Amanda, MS
- F. MERCHANT, Kylie, MS
- G. NIHAL, Karla, MA
- H. QUIMBY, Emma, MA
- I. ROBERTS, Patricia, MS
- J. RUSSO, Kyle, MA
- K. SANCHEZ-ABDALLAH, Solana, MA
- L. SONG, Megan, MS
- M. STAYMAN, Krystle, MA
- N. WALTMAN, Casey, MS

5. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE - REINSTATEMENT

- A. SJURSON-RICH, Meghan

B. SOCIAL WORKERS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

- A. FORAN, Padraic, MSW
- B. MARGERA, Shannon, MSW
- C. RINKO, Kristin, MSW
- D. STAIRS, Blair, MSW
- E. WYMA, Lindsay, MSW

2. APPLICATIONS APPROVED THROUGH ENDORSEMENT

- A. BOZEMAN, Keshia, MSW
- B. BROOKS, Caleb, MSW
- C. COATES, Andrea, MSW
- D. CONNERY, Brittney, MSW
- E. CORCORAN, Eleanor, MSW
- F. CORDEIRO, Trisha
- G. DAVIS, Elizabeth, MSW
- H. DEERY, Erin, MSW
- I. DISTEFANO, Nancy, MSW
- J. FAVILLE, Jane, MSW
- K. FIPPEN, Elizabeth, MSW
- L. FOXE, Nicole, MSW
- M. GARCIA, Elizabeth, MSW
- N. GARRITY, Kimberly, MSW
- O. GROFF, Abelee, MSW

- P. GUARDA, Sarah, MSW
- Q. HELMAN, Rebeca, MSW
- R. HOLLAND, Kelly, MSW
- S. HOMEIER, Sadie, MSW
- T. JUETTE, Kristi, MSW
- U. KOCHAN, Amanda, MSW
- V. LABRECQUE, Shirley, MSW
- W. LIVINGSTON, Jeffrey, MSW
- X. LOCKLEAR, Ashleigh, MSW
- Y. LOPER, Kimberly, MSW
- Z. MACIOLEK, Elizabeth, MSW
- AA. MCBROOM, Siing, MSW
- BB. MCNAMARA, Shannon, MSW
- CC. MEAGHER, Deanna, MSW
- DD. OLLILA, Kaitlyn, MSW
- EE. POSSEMATO, Jamara, MSW
- FF. PRYJMA, Tai, MSW
- GG. SHUSHANSKY, Lawrence, MSW
- HH. SKONIECZNY, Sara, MSW
- II. STAAF, Robert, MSW
- JJ. TAISHOFF, Eva, MSW
- KK. THOMPSON, Jamie, MSW
- LL. TURNER, Kayla, MSW
- MM. WALKER, Christy, MSW
- NN. WARD, Keith, MSW

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- A. BARTON, Margaret, MSW
- B. CARRIGNAN, Heather, MSW
- C. ESPINAL, Jazmin, MSW
- D. HARRIS, Randall, MSW
- E. HARTSTEIN, Leila, MSW
- F. LEBOW, Isabella, MSS
- G. LUPPOLD, Sophie, MSW
- H. MITCHELL, Lamar, MSW
- I. MONIZ, Kayleigh, MSW
- J. RICCI, Keri, MSW
- K. STARK, Molly, MSW
- L. SULLY, Bertine, MSW

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

- A. BALLARANO, Monica, MSW
- B. CASEY, Gabrielle, MSW
- C. GUTH, Sarah, MSW
- D. ISABELLE, Jordyn, MSW

E. PICONE, Courtney, MSW

5. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE - REINSTATEMENT

A. SEWELL, Victoria, MSW

C. MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

A. CARMODY, Alexandra, MS

2. APPLICATIONS APPROVED THROUGH ENDORSEMENT

A. FIELD, Frances

B. GANGEMI, Cathleen

C. HUNTER, Catharine

D. SCHULTZ, Jennifer

3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

A. LANDRY, Daniel, MA

B. PADGETT-WELD, Elizabeth, MA

C. ZABEL, Faith, MA

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS

A. BRYANT, Emily, MS

B. MARTINEZ, Heidi, MA

5. REINSTATEMENT:

A. DRUGAN, Danielle

D. PASTORAL PSYCHOTHERAPISTS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: N/A

2. APPLICATIONS APPROVED THROUGH ENDORSEMENT: N/A

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

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

XIII. Session Suspended at 2:22 pm