

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**
Meeting Minutes – March 11, 2016

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met Friday, March 11, 2016 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steve Livingston, MFT, Chair
Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT, Vice-Chair
Jack Perryman, LPC
Bonnie Barker, LPC
Endsley Real, CSW
Karen Warren-Rosas, MSW
Tommy Black, LPC

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Ben Marion, CSW
Gerri Ann Robbins, MFT

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1
Hope Harrison, Licensing Analyst
Linsey Brookins, BSS, HC1
Mary Katherine Lindsey, HC1

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

D. Williams-McNeely, Senior AAG

VISITORS PRESENT:

Kensley Lyons, Applicant
Lisa Angert Morris, Metropolitan Counseling Services
Diane Hall Smith, LMFT - GAMFT
Jessica Hatcher, LPC - LPCA GA

Steve Livingston, Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Agenda: Approved, with late agenda items added:

- AASCB & ACA - Correspondence
- UGA- Correspondence
- CE Broker
- Pooler, E- Correspondence

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, conduct applicant and investigative interviews, receive the Attorney General, Professional Practices (Complaints) and Standards (Applications) Committee Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Livingston, Black, Klock-Powell, Perryman, Barker, Real, and Warren-Rosas.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, March 11, 2016, Mr. Livingston declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

Applicant Interviews:

- S.G.
- Z.T.
- V.A.
- K.B.
- K.D.
- V.W

Recommendation

Approved for Licensure
Approved for Licensure
Approved for Licensure
Pending receipt of additional information
Pending receipt of additional information
Denied- Applicant does not meet supervision requirements

Applications:

The separate Professional Standards Committees reviewed and made recommendations on all applications presented by the administrative staff.

Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Warren-Rosas seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Professional Counselor applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Professional Practices Committee:

Refer to Attorney General's Office:

COMP140065
COMP150092
COMP160036

Recommend Closure:

COMP150003
COMP150061
COMP160001
COMP160011
COMP160015
COMP160035
COMP160039
COMP160057
COMP160060
COMP160061
COMP160063
COMP160068
COMP160082
COMP160086

COMP160091
COMP160097 – Remains Closed

Recommendation: Schedule for Investigative Interview:

COMP160066

Recommendation: Refer to Investigations:

COMP160100

Investigative Interviews Conducted:

Recommendation:

COMP150061	Close
COMP160015	Close
COMP160035	Close
COMP160068	Close
COMP160093	Reschedule for May Meeting

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Warren-Rosas seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Professional Practices Committee report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP140065, COMP150092, and COMP160036 to the AG's office. None opposed, motion carried.

Non-Compliance – Board Order:

Recommendation:

- D.B. Refer to AG's Office

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to refer D.B. to the AG's office. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence (Closed Session):

Recommendation:

- D.S.H. - Employment/Board Order Acceptable to the Board; Approve

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Written status and activity report presented for Board review.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded and the Board voted to approve the NOH/MA's for H.D.M. and M.L.B-D. Hearings to be scheduled before the Board next available meeting date. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded and the Board voted to refer C.N. and J.L.W. to the Ag's office for preparation of NOH/MA's, and to schedule hearings before the Board the next available meeting date. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded and the Board voted to accept the requested change to the proposed public Board Order from A.B.B. Board member T. Black was recused from the vote. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes:

- February 5, 2016

Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Warren-Rosas seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 5, 2016 Executive Session Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Minutes:

- February 5, 2016

Mr. Perryman motioned, Mr. Real seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 5, 2016 minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- AASCB & ACA – Scope of Practice
- AMFT.org- English Language Learners Protocol
- Brown, C. – Self-Pay Questions
- Shriver, G.- Open Records Request
- Owens, L.- Release of file contents to TX Board
- Pooler, E. – Self Employment
- UGA – Counselors Program
- Dixon, M.- MFT – Education Requirements
- Gabriel, S. – MSW – RE Supervised Work Exp.
- Hale, A. – MFT – Supervision Requirements
- Hunter, K. – MSW – Practice Questions
- Kemp, A.- Request release of NBCC exam report
- McFarland, J.- Telemental Health
- Riley, P. – New APC Contract Affidavit
- Ross, C. – Social Work – Rule 135-5-.04
- Beck, K. – CE Correspondence
- Mulyran, J. – Release of file contents to WA Board
- Andreason, L. – Rule 135-5-.04(2)(b)1
- Samuels, T. – MFT Rule 135-5-.06

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of file contents for L. Owens and J. Mulyran, and exam score of A. Kemp as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to deny the request for the release of information of an applicant's file, nor any complaint files to G. Shriver as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to allow the Board Staff to respond as directed to the correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.

Petitions for Waiver/Variance:

- Pinkston, A- Rule135-5-.02 LPC
- Carson, D. Rule 135-5-.04(2)(b)1

Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to withdraw the Petition request of A. Pinkston as unnecessary; the rules have recently been changed to allow supervision through non-traditional means. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Petition request of D. Carson. None opposed, motion carried.

Miscellaneous Discussion - Proposed legislation of interest to the Board:

- HB 498
- HB 700
- HB 716
- HB 821
- HB 910
- HR 1093
- SB 230
- SB 319

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today's meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Brookins, BSS, HC1

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1

Steve Livingston

Chair

Brig Zimmerman

Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: April 8, 2016