

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**
Conference Call Meeting Minutes – March 18, 2015

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met by teleconference on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steve Livingston, MFT, Chair
Richard Long, MFT, Vice-Chair
Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT
Ben Marion, CSW
Arthur Williams, LPC
Jack Perryman, LPC
Tommy Black, LPC

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tonya Barbee, CSW
Robert King, CSW

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1
Angela Harrison, Licensing Analyst, HC 1
Amanda Allen, Licensing Analyst, HC

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Tricia Downing, Esq., Senior A.A.G.

Steve Livingston, Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:38 a.m.

Agenda: Approved as presented

Minutes:

Mr. Williams motioned, Mr. Black seconded and the Board voted to approve the following open session meeting minutes. None opposed, motion carried.

- February 13, 2015

Mr. Williams motioned, Mr. Black seconded and the Board voted to approve the following executive session meeting minutes. None opposed, motion carried.

- February 13, 2015 Executive Session Minutes

Correspondence:

Mr. Long motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to authorize the administrative staff to respond to all correspondence as recommended and reviewed during the scheduled March 13, 2015 sitting committee meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Variance/Waiver Requests:

- Branton, Michelle – Appeal
 - An appeal for a petition must follow the appeal process and be filed for judicial review and not with the Board.

Rules Discussion:

- Rule 135-11-.01 Telemental Health

Unable to conduct a public rules hearing last meeting, the Board members present for the March 13, 2015 meeting recapped the discussion from the audience regarding the rule which included considering specific areas for telemental health continuing education requirements. Mr. Long stated he would provide a statement at the next Board meeting to address this issue.

Mr. Williams motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to table Rule 135-11-.01 for further discussion. None opposed, motion carried.

CE Broker Presentation: Re-schedule for a future Board meeting.

Application Ratify List: Licenses issued from 01/01/2015 to 03/09/2015

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to approve the ratify list of license issued from January 1, 2015 to March 9, 2015. None opposed, motion carried.

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

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Long seconded and the Board voted for the Executive Director to accept and sign by express permission the Board Chair the public order on M. V. and to submit for docketing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Marion motioned, Mr. Black seconded and the Board voted to rescind the referral of K.P. from the Attorney General's Office and to issue an exam approval with a referral back to the Attorney General's Office for issuance of a Consent Agreement for Reinstatement upon passage of the exam. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Williams motioned, Mr. Black seconded and the Board voted to refer D.S. to the Attorney General's Office for issuance of a Consent Agreement for licensure. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Perryman seconded and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Professional Practices Committee reviewed and presented to the sitting committee during the scheduled March 13, 2015 meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Williams motioned, Mr. Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the professional Standards Committees on the applications for all professions reviewed during the scheduled March 13, 2015 sitting committee meeting with authorization for staff to issue the licenses for exam approvals upon passage of the exam unless otherwise specified by the Board. None opposed, motion carried.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Mr. Long motioned, Mr. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today's conference call meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Minutes recorded, reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1

STEVE LIVINGSTON

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: **April 17, 2015**