

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,  
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**  
Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2015

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, June 12, 2015 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Tonya Barbee, CSW  
Bob King, CSW

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1  
Hope Harrison, Licensing Analyst, HC 1  
Amanda Allen, Licensing Analyst, HC1  
Randi Kristin Lewis, Complaint/ Compliance Specialist  
Mary Katherine Lindsey, Board Support Specialist

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:**

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

**GUEST ATTENDEES:**

Lisa Morris - Metropolitan Counseling Services  
Shannon Geordecink, Metropolitan Counseling Services  
Patricia Harwell- GAMFT  
Gale Macke- LPCA  
Tracy Hall- LPCA  
Warren Jones- GAMFT  
Theresa Holt-LPCA

**Steve Livingston, Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.**

**Agenda:** Approved with late agenda items presented for discussion by Chair Livingston:

- Paid vs volunteer hours (Counselor - Directed Work Experience/Supervision) – Decision: Tabled for the LPC-PSC discussion following next month's Board meeting.
- New Rules Committee - Decision: Tabled until all new Board members are appointed and present; the following items will be addressed:

**New Board Member:**                      **Gerri Ann Robbins, MFT**

Ms. Robbins was administered the Oath of Office and sworn in as a new Board Member.

**Ratify List: 05-13-15 to 06-11-15**

<b><u>License #</u></b>	<b><u>Licensee Name</u></b>
AMFT000405	Pharris, Allison Laura
AMFT000406	Vorobyov, Yelena L.

AMFT000407 Sinclair, Jennifer Marie  
APC004890 Baron, Courtney Jo  
APC004891 Auringer, Ciara Grace  
APC004892 Bryant, Jennifer Ashley  
APC004893 Carroll, Timothy Craig  
APC004894 Connell, Angelica Nicole  
APC004895 Daniels, Sharon  
APC004896 Elam, Daron Dominguez  
APC004897 England, Tamara Kathleen  
APC004898 Fredenberg, Stephanie Slaton  
APC004899 Hicks, Ronald Vincent  
APC004900 Mooney, Megan Marie  
APC004901 Mulloy, Daniel L  
APC004902 Olowoyo, Olubukola Danielle  
APC004903 Robbins, Tosha Shinelle  
APC004904 Rogers, Constance D  
APC004905 Stokes, Shana LyShale  
APC004906 Henderson, Stephanie Renee  
APC004907 McGaughey, Valhalla Palmer  
APC004908 Megginson, April Janith  
APC004909 Jackson-Allen, Jennifer M  
APC004910 Browning, Jimmy Heath  
APC004911 Cornejo, Alice Susan  
APC004912 Faircloth, Brittany Lynn  
APC004913 Hayes, Frankie Lynn  
APC004914 King, Karyn Lenecia  
APC004915 Leatham, Jenni L  
APC004916 Thigpen, Cassidy Nicole  
APC004917 Scott, Tiffany Danielle  
CSW005490 Armstrong, Heather Marie  
CSW005491 Huggins, Theba S  
CSW005492 Tarshis, Megan Elizabeth  
CSW005493 Wilson, Sherika Lorene  
CSW005494 Branch Dircks, Kellie Elizabeth  
CSW005495 Dauphin, Marie Claudia  
CSW005496 Mucino, Gloria Elizabeth  
CSW005497 Parmett, Ruth Chava  
CSW005498 Persaud, Ushvani H D  
CSW005499 Query, Bethany Lynne  
CSW005500 Sharp, Atasha Vaganda  
CSW005501 Thompson, Lisa Dawn  
CSW005502 Weisshaar, Paula  
CSW005503 Welch, Jennifer Marie  
CSW005504 Brown Bragg, Kathy Elaine

CSW005505	Gaiss, Amy Jo
CSW005506	Kennett, Naynette Myeisha
CSW005507	Mahaffey, Jamie Nicole
CSW005508	Shrewsberry, Kimberly Chasan
CSW005509	Booker, Christian Bianca
CSW005510	Strachan, Shuntay Renee
LPC008403	Akbarzada, Zulikha Bahar
LPC008404	Amos, Carlos Isaac
LPC008405	Austin, Makini I
LPC008406	Benfield, Kristen Dukes
LPC008407	Bentley, Deidra Renee
LPC008408	Brown, Lauren Lewis
LPC008409	Brown, Trisha Ann
LPC008410	Burns, Lateela Jean
LPC008411	Cromer, Cheri Nicole
LPC008412	Johnson Golden, Ayeva Star
LPC008413	Heib, Rachael Megan
LPC008414	Hickmon, Erin Nicole
LPC008415	Holmes, Nicole Heather Dawn
LPC008416	Jackson, LaVonna Owens
LPC008417	Mistretta-Bradley, Anna M
LPC008418	Odom, Thomasina Lina
LPC008419	Rose, Larri Denise
LPC008420	Thompson, Virginia Blair
LPC008421	Tyson, Kelly Segraves
LPC008422	Whyte, Kim Lee
LPC008423	Calato, Stephanie Rae
LPC008424	Carell, Richard James
LPC008425	Fernandez, Justin Michael
LPC008426	Hagan, Vickie Jean
LPC008427	Harris, Lynne H
LPC008428	Jacobs, Susan Gail
LPC008429	Sullivan, Eugenia Greer
LPC008430	Wendt, Vicky
LPC008431	Jacobs, Tiffany Shanae
LPC008432	Auerbach, Julianne Emily
LPC008433	Steed, Viva Lynne
LPC008434	Gatlin, Nicole Washington
MFT001403	Cole, Alice Rae
MFT001404	Olearczyk, Maria Milissa
MFT001405	Bowers, Freedom Arlene
MFT001406	Williams, Roma Lynette
MFT001407	Hearn, Robert Jay
MFT001408	McKenzie, Candace Dale

MFT001409	Blankenship, Roy Alin
MSW006896	Caicedo, Andrea Tatiana
MSW006897	Davis, Corelle Latrice
MSW006898	Howell, Demetria Latrez
MSW006899	Lewis, Courtney Jalisa
MSW006900	Ayres, Ashlyn Ingram
MSW006901	Graves, Darrius Santel
MSW006902	Guity, Nydia E
MSW006903	Jerome, Phara
MSW006904	Kianestski, Mica Deann
MSW006905	Lorde, Rashida Jamila
MSW006906	Pinnock, Latifa Jamil
MSW006907	Wiley, Stephanie Lynne
MSW006908	Cotton, Kimberly C
MSW006909	Nyekan, Stephanie Lynn
MSW006910	Allen, Odette Elizabeth
MSW006911	Dallas, Julie Michelle
MSW006912	Stangle, Heather Elise
MSW006913	Webb, Angela Delores
MSW006914	Cotton, Sarah Naomi
MSW006915	Robinson, Takeisha Quinta

**Ms. Klock-Powell moved, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Application Ratify List as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Chair Report:** (other than late agenda items presented earlier for discussion):

- Telemental Health Rule – where is the Board in the process/Public Rules hearing?  
Response: To be presented to full Board again next scheduled meeting with one of the changes made as discussed the last couple of meetings; questions on another change.

**Executive Director’s Report:**

None Presented

**Correspondence:** Reviewed

- Cathy Kleinschmit, MFT
- Peng Yanquin, MFT

**Mr. Black moved, Mr. Williams seconded and the Board voted to accept the recommendations for Mr. Livingston to contact Ms. Kleinschmit. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Klock-Powell moved, Mr. Black seconded and the Board voted to accept the recommendation for Peng Yanquin to submit a contract affidavit. None opposed, motion carried.**

### **Open Records Request:**

- Eric Hoyme
- Charmaine Simmons

**Mr. Perryman moved, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations to approve Mr. Hoyme’s request. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Mr. Williams moved, Mr. Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendation to approve Ms. Simmons’ request. None opposed, motion carried.**

### **Rules Discussion:**

Rule 135-9-.01 Requirements (Continuing Education) - Discussion tabled until the new rules committee can be appointed; items for later discussion with regard to this rule: CE Certificate of Attendance must outline how the hours were obtained (i.e. online, face-to-face, home study, etc.); Define “online” continuing education hours and “webinars” to update this rule.

### **Associations Update:**

- Ms. Pat Harwell provided the association update from the Georgia MFT Association.
- Ms. Gale Macke provided the association update from the LPC Association.

### **Miscellaneous Discussion Items:**

- APC Application and Contract Affidavit Revisions – Tabled for LPC-PSC discussion to follow next scheduled Board meeting
- Board Policy: NCMHCE Exam Requirement - Tabled for LPC-PSC discussion to follow next scheduled Board meeting

**Mr. Williams motioned, Mr. Marion seconded and the Board voted for the Board 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 and complaints; conduct applicant interviews; receive the Attorney General’s, Professional Practices (Complaint) and Professional Standards (Applications) Committee Reports.**

**At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, June 12, 2015, 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**

### **Applications:**

The separate Professional Standards Committees reviewed all applications presented by the administrative staff.

**Mr. Marion motioned, Mr. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations for the Marriage & Family Therapist applications reviewed during today’s meeting. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations for the Professional Counselor applications reviewed during today's meeting. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations on the Social Worker applications reviewed during today's meeting. None opposed, motion carried.**

**PSC Committee - Applicant Interviews:**

- L.G.
- V.D. (Mr. Williams is recused from Applicant interview and Board discussion.)
- A.M.C.
- J.P.
- L.B.
- D.A.
- T.D.
- B.G.
- H.M.

**Ms. Robbins moved, Mr. Marion seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations proposed by the committee's for the Applicant Interviews as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Assistant Attorney General's Report:**

Written status and activity report presented from Board review.

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

**PPC's: Complaints-Recommended for Closure:**

COMP150006, COMP150048, COMP150055, COMP150071, COMP150073, COMP150080, COMP150085, COMP150089, COMP150103, COMP150105, COMP150106, COMP150112, COMP150114

**PPC's: Complaints- Recommended for Investigations:**

COMP150101

**PPC's: Complaints- Recommended for Referral to AG's Office:**

COMP150039

**Mr. Perryman moved, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Professional Practices Committee Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Executive Session Meeting Minutes:**

- May 20, 2015 Conference Call Executive Session

**Mr. Marion moved, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the May 20, 2015 Conference Call Executive Session Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Meeting Minutes:**

- May 15, 2015 Committee Minutes
- May 20, 2015 Conference Call Meeting Minutes

**Mr. Marion moved, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the May 15, 2015 Committee Minutes and the May 20, 2015 Conference Call Meeting Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**With no additional business requiring discussion, the Committee meeting adjourned the meeting of the Board sitting as a committee at 4:23 p.m.**

Minutes recorded by: Mary K. Lindsey, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC1

**STEVE LIVINGSTON**  
Chair

**BRIG ZIMMERMAN**  
Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: **July 10, 2015**