

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,  
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**  
Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes – February 28, 2017

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met via conference call on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Steve Livingston, MFT, Chair  
Endsley Real, CSW, Vice-Chair  
Gerri Ann Robbins, MFT  
Ben Marion, CSW/MFT  
Jack Perryman, LPC  
Bonnie Barker, LPC

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Katherine Klock-Powell, MFT  
Karen Warren-Rosas, MSW  
Tommy Black, LPC

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1  
Josh Waters, Operations and Compliance Officer  
Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist  
Amanda Allen, Licensing Analyst Supervisor

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:**

Betsy Cohen, Esq., AAG

Steve Livingston, Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

**Agenda:** Approved with additional items:

- Correspondence: B. Spencer – Request release of Exam Scores
- Executive Session: Request for Cognizant Information

**Ms. Real motioned, Mr. Marion seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2 (k) (1) (2) & (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) and O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2 (1) to receive and review information from the Board's Assistant Attorney General. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Livingston, Real, Marion, Robbins, Perryman, and Barker.**

**Executive Session Correspondence:**

- Request for files from Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

**At the conclusion of Executive Session on Wednesday, February 28, 2017, 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. No votes were taken in Executive Session.**

**Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to approve the request to release the file contents as authorized by law. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Correspondence:**

- B. Spencer – Request release of Exam Scores

**Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of the Exam Scores for B. Spencer as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Rules Discussion:**

- Rule 135-12-.01 & .02 Testing and Assessment Instruments.

**Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to submit the final draft of the proposed new rule chapter and rule, 135-12-.01 & .02, as discussed to the Attorney General's Office for a memo of statutory authority. In addition, the Board also voted to post the proposed new chapter and rule for the minimum thirty days required for public view and comment upon receipt of said authority, with a public rules hearing/adoption to be scheduled the next available scheduled Board meeting. None opposed, motion carried.**

There being no further business to discuss, Board adjourned the meeting at 5:22 p.m.

**Minutes recorded by:** Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist  
**Minutes reviewed and edited by:** Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1

**STEVE LIVINGSTON**  
Steve Livingston, LMFT, Chair

**BRIG ZIMMERMAN**  
Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC1

Minutes approved by Board vote: **March 10, 2017.**