

GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
Board Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2018 8:30 AM

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met Friday, December 7, 2018 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steve Livingston, MFT, Chair
Endsley Real, CSW, Vice-Chair
Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT
Gerri Ann Robbins, MFT
Ben Marion, CSW/MFT
Jacqueline Brown, CSW
Bonnie Barker, LPC
Jack Perryman, LPC
Tommy Black, LPC

MEMBERS ABSENT:

(Consumer Member-VACANT)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor
Hope Harrison, Licensing Analyst

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Betsy Cohen, Esq., AAG

VISITORS PRESENT: (Open Session)

During Executive Session, visitors are excused unless scheduled for a personal appearance.

Gale Macke, CEO of LPCA
Eric Groh, Self, LPC Trainer/Supervisor
Karen Starks, NASW
Lisa Morris, Metropolitan Counseling Services
Michelle Frey, Frey Counseling

Steve Livingston, Chair established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:47 a.m.

Agenda: Approved as presented

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Brown 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 interviews, review prior meeting executive session meeting minutes, receive reports from the Assistant Attorney General, the Professional Practices (Complaints) and the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members present: Livingston, Real, Klock-Powell, Robbins, Marion, Brown, and Black, Perryman and Barker.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, December 7, 2018 , Mr. Livingston, Chair, declared the meeting in “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.

Applications:

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

Mr. Perryman motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Professional Counselor applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that licenses be issued upon receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Real motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that licenses be issued upon the receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that licenses be issued upon the receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Real motioned, Mr. Black seconded the Board voted to rescind the previous denial of the reinstatement application for N.M. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Brown seconded the Board voted to refer to matter of N.M. to the AG's office as presented. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Brown motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to deny the application for M.I. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Brown motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to deny the application for J.L. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Brown motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to approve the application for T.R. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

PSC Committee: Applicant Interviews:

- S.A.
- K.A.
- M.E.
- R.H.
- A.B.
- A.I.
- T.R.

Recommendation:

Approve to sit for exam
Approve to sit for exam
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information
Approve for licensure
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information
Approve for licensure

PSC Interview – Renewal Issue:

- B.J.R.

Recommendation:

Approve

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendation for B-J.R. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Betsy Cohen, Assistant Attorney General provided a status report which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and /or requests for authority for proposed rules.

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

Executive Session Minutes:

- November 8, 2018 PPC Meeting

Recommendation:

Accept as Presented

- November 9, 2018 Board Meeting Accept as Presented

Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 8, 2018 Executive Session Professional Practices Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 9, 2018 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes:

- November 9, 2018 Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Accept as Presented

Ms. Brown motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 9, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Full Board Appearances (Open):

- Tuesday Griggs Carter
- Nichelle Stevens
- Sheila Storey
- Mireille Mackey
- LaZonya Phelps

Recommendation:

Denial Stands
Denial Stands
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information
Cancelled
Denial Stands

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stand for the application of T. Griggs Carter as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stand for the application of N. Stevens as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to table the approval of S. Storey upon receipt of additional information. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stand for the application of L. Phelps as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- G. Von Wiegand – RE Directed Work Experience - *Refer to Board rules/law*
- J. Johnson – RE What can DE include for LPC licensure - *Refer to Board Rules*
- NBCC – Changes in Organization – *Board information only*

Ms. Real motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve for Board Staff to respond as directed to correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.

Application File Requests:

- A. Edith (LPC009792) – Release of supervision documents to PA – *Approve*
- J. Mulligan (2703568) – Release of professional references forms to another state Board – *Deny*

Ms. Robbins motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of the application file supervision forms request for A. Edith as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to deny the release of the application file professional reference forms request for J. Mulligan pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Petitions for Waiver/Variance:

- A. Carter – Rule 135-5-.02
- B. Harris – Rule 135-6-.04
- I. Weeks – Rule 135-5-.01
- S. Allen – Rule 135-5.05
- S. Cooks – Rule 135-5-.03
- J. Comp – Rule 135-5-.04
- C. Jones – Rule 135-5-.02
- K. Harper – Rule 135-6-.04/135-9-.01

Recommendation:

Tabled
Tabled
Deny
Deny
Grant
Deny
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Grant

Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Black seconded and the Board voted to table the petition request for A. Carter for receipt of additional medical documentation that verifies a substantial hardship. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Perryman motioned, Ms. Barker seconded a vote to deny the petition request for B. Harris due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not demonstrated by supporting documentation as required by law. Three (3) members approved, six (6) members opposed, motion failed.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to table the petition request for B. Harris and to request supporting medical documentation to verify the substantial hardship as presented. Six (6) members approved, three (3) members opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for I. Weeks due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not demonstrated by supporting documentation as required by law. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for S. Allen due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not demonstrated by supporting documentation as required by law. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to modify denial of the petition for S. Allen as the Petitioner's standing is unclear as she has not applied for licensure but even if she has standing, petition does not demonstrate a substantial hardship as required by law. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Brown seconded and the Board voted to grant the petition request of the extension request to take exam with a deadline imposed of three months from date of today's meeting for S. Cooks as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for J. Comp due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not demonstrated by supporting documentation as required by law. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Perryman seconded and the Board voted to grant the petition request for C. Jones as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded and the Board voted to grant the petition request for K. Harper as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

*** Related Vote: Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to submit a memo to the AG's office for advice on non-applicants filing petitions for rule waivers or variances. None opposed, motion carried.**

Board Chair Report: Steve Livingston, MFT

Mr. Livingston provided a chair report that included discussion on Board member term limits and the Governor's office duty to appoint new members. Mr. Livingston also presented appreciation to all Board members, staff, and associations for all of their hard work.

Associations – Board Update: Association updates were provided by Gale Macke, LPCA, Karen Starks, NASW and Holli Kelly, GAMFT

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 11/8/2018 - 12/4/2018

| License No | Licensee |
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| AMFT000554 | Stephanie Elaine Armes |
| AMFT000555 | Anna Alexis Hernandez |
| AMFT000556 | Katrina Shantell Jones |
| AMFT000557 | Erica Danielle Patterson |
| AMFT000558 | Kyera Brianna Swint |
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| APC006738 | Jasmine Marchele Forrest |
| APC006739 | Caresse Alexandria Davis |
| APC006740 | Laura Opal Meeks |
| APC006741 | Crystal Yolanda Allen-Joyner |
| APC006742 | Starling Kenneth Bridges |
| APC006743 | Teresa Marie Brown |
| APC006744 | Sherri Jaye Burruss |
| APC006745 | Nickole Shantell Bush |
| APC006746 | Savannah Marie Martin |
| APC006747 | Caryn Patel |
| APC006748 | Amber Faith Poss |
| APC006749 | Emily Anne Reiner |
| APC006750 | Rebecca Duffey Sailors |
| APC006751 | Erica Sansbury Clark |
| APC006752 | Ericka L Williams |
| APC006753 | Cassie Furr Turner |
| APC006754 | Aqssa Sarwar Chaudhry |
| APC006755 | Tameka Lelar Bell |
| APC006756 | Paula Kent Bridgeman |
| APC006757 | Will Clark |
| APC006758 | Melissa Jane Davis |
| APC006759 | Meshai Azriel Olivares |
| APC006760 | Faye Beck Fleming |
| APC006761 | Chacana Gaulden |
| APC006762 | Melissa A McKenzie-Lewis |
| APC006763 | Elisabeth Grace Moon |
| APC006764 | Brittany Hall Osborne |
| APC006765 | Donna Marie Ward |
| APC006766 | Donald Wayne Weatherford |
| APC006767 | Ashley Brady White |
| APC006768 | Erika JoAnn Lockette |
| APC006769 | Patrice Yves Auguste |
| APC006770 | Lorna Nicolette Magnus |
| APC006771 | Amanda Lee Williams |
| APC006772 | Kimlyn Vondell Frett |
| APC006773 | Whitney Ann Pfohl |
| APC006774 | Joshua Jerome Williams |
| APC006775 | Bhavana Goel |

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| APC006776 | Alesia Carol Dunlap |
| APC006777 | LaDonna Marie Huggins |
| APC006778 | James Norman Armour, Jr. |
| APC006779 | Curtis Eugene Murray, Jr |
| APC006780 | Danielle Ilene Dunkley |
| APC006781 | Pinky Kirit Patel |
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| CSW006635 | Magalie Douge |
| CSW006636 | Natasha C Kennedy |
| CSW006637 | Paula Marie Moody |
| CSW006638 | Ra'Shawne Mignon Cox |
| CSW006639 | Kimberly Nicole Marshall |
| CSW006640 | Josalin Icey Scott |
| CSW006641 | Shkerah Bell |
| CSW006642 | Alicia A Wells |
| CSW006643 | Camesha Harp Williams |
| CSW006644 | Stephanie Loreen Tompkins |
| CSW006645 | Katelynn Noel Villari |
| CSW006646 | Emily Renee Levine |
| CSW006647 | Victoria Elise Bethel |
| CSW006648 | Clayton Hunt |
| CSW006649 | Michelle Ann Gagnon |
| CSW006650 | Constance Marie Paris |
| CSW006651 | David Powell Burke |
| CSW006652 | Kishla Jotae Preston |
| CSW006653 | Nancy Lynn Acevedo |
| CSW006654 | Ursula J. Wright |
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| LPC010612 | Tonya Veoria Williams |
| LPC010613 | Ebony Santita Mays |
| LPC010614 | Bridget Anne Spicer |
| LPC010615 | Michelle Nicole Flood |
| LPC010616 | Amanda Lan'eatrice Foster |
| LPC010617 | Melissa D Jones |
| LPC010618 | Sheila Kendrick |
| LPC010619 | Mary Katherine Crook |
| LPC010620 | India Casandra Vansamtha Foster |
| LPC010621 | Connie Camella Francis |
| LPC010622 | Mary Denise Garcia |
| LPC010623 | Stephanie Pannell Green |
| LPC010624 | Jeremy Scott Nunnelley |
| LPC010625 | Alicia Babenco Oberhand |
| LPC010626 | Ijoma C Okwuosa |
| LPC010627 | Jason Eric Ross |
| LPC010628 | Annette Marie Soto |

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| LPC010629 | Jamalyn Hambright Yates |
| LPC010630 | Itohowo M Ekanemesang |
| LPC010631 | Tiffany Marie Stevenson |
| LPC010632 | Megan Arlene Bentley |
| LPC010633 | Brittney Morgan Bledsoe |
| LPC010634 | Mary Louise Campbell |
| LPC010635 | Angela Jeanette Cannon |
| LPC010636 | Terilynn Patterson Culverhouse |
| LPC010637 | Edward Patrick Craven, Jr |
| LPC010638 | Jerilyn Denise Hamilton |
| LPC010639 | Travis Ray Hill |
| LPC010640 | Kirstie Dionne Hudnall |
| LPC010641 | Callie Lynne Hulsey |
| LPC010642 | Shawna Jo Jackson |
| LPC010643 | Natalie Anne Marie Jebara |
| LPC010644 | Sarah Elizabeth Johnson |
| LPC010645 | Sandra Kobsar |
| LPC010646 | Mary C Corbell |
| LPC010647 | Kelley Ann McCahill |
| LPC010648 | James Brittian Parramore |
| LPC010649 | Jacqueline Marie Shaffer |
| LPC010650 | Sarah Joyce Sokal |
| LPC010651 | Hannah Page Stokes |
| LPC010652 | Shonta Latrice Thomas |
| LPC010653 | Kristina Fox Tucker |
| LPC010654 | Whitney Paige White |
| LPC010655 | Leah Epelbaum |
| LPC010656 | David T Orr |
| LPC010657 | Shenice Lakendra Betha |
| LPC010658 | Janell LaFaye Jordan |
| LPC010659 | Ashley Brooke Mashburn |
| LPC010660 | Audra L Grace |
| LPC010661 | Jessica Gant Sexton |
| LPC010662 | Chanel Janay Toson |
| LPC010663 | Joyce A Atkinson |
| LPC010664 | Daisja Datra Dukes |

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| LPC010665 | Donna Verdi Owen |
| LPC010666 | Jannise Yvonne McKamey-Bruell |
| LPC010667 | Jessica Joy Whalen |
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| MFT001658 | Jasmine Christina Fontenot-Harrell |
| MFT001659 | Charles Lawson Bost |
| MFT001660 | Brittani K Strozier |
| MFT001661 | Lorien Samille Jordan |
| MFT001662 | Stephanie Adrianna Villarreal |
| MFT001663 | Mary Denise Garcia |
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| MSW008670 | Kelly Harper Gonzalez |
| MSW008671 | Anna Cathryn Olle |
| MSW008672 | Kelsey Michelle Osborne |
| MSW008673 | Kevin Wibowo Pranoto |
| MSW008674 | Branden Randall Tharp |
| MSW008675 | Aleece Holliman |
| MSW008676 | Erica Samone David |
| MSW008677 | Samira Desree Reedy-Smith |
| MSW008678 | Jaqueline Rose Vallina |
| MSW008679 | Emma Grace Kimball |
| MSW008680 | Felton Diabula Ivey |
| MSW008681 | Cecily Austin Brown |
| MSW008682 | Andrea Leonie Duncanson- |
| MSW008683 | Tashnique Caroline Artrey |
| MSW008684 | Stephanie D Owens-George |
| MSW008685 | Ashley Elizabeth Erkkila |
| MSW008686 | Vanessa Michele Elder |
| MSW008687 | Kimberly Rochelle Herd |
| MSW008688 | Laura Leigh DeGroot |
| MSW008689 | Quantessia Tolbert |
| MSW008690 | Natasha Danielle Simmons |
| MSW008691 | Alicia Lynn Daniels |
| MSW008692 | Emma Kate Simmons |
| MSW008693 | Mojjama Elizabeth Moody-Lamin |
| MSW008694 | Keyanna LaShayla English |

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Application Ratify List of licenses issued between Board meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

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 reports from the Boards Professional Practices (Complaints) and the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members present: Livingston, Klock-Powell, Real, Robbins, Brown, Marion, Perryman, Black and Barker.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, December 7, 2018 , Mr. Livingston, Chair, declared the meeting in “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.

Ex. Misc. Discussion Items:

- M.F.
- A.D.

Recommendation:

Approve-Pending receipt of additional information
Denial Stands

- T.B.

Request Denied

Ms. Brown motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to approve the request of M.F. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stands for A.D. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Brown motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted that the request of T.B is denied as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Renewal Issues/Compliance:

- J.R.
- B.B.
- A.A.

Recommendation:

Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information

Professional Practices Committee/Complaints:

Investigative Interview Conducted:

COMP180051 (12/06/2018)

Recommendation:

Close Case

Recommend Closure:

COMP180012, COMP180044, COMP180051, COMP180140, COMP180151, COMP180155, COMP180176, COMP190040, COMP190059, COMP190061, COMP190066, COMP190069, COMP190070

Recommend Referral to AG's office:

COMP190071

Recommend Schedule for Investigative Interview:

COMP180097, COMP190054

Recommend Referral to Investigations:

COMP190046

Recommend Referral for Peer Review:

COMP150121, COMP170118

Recommend Pending Receipt of Additional Information:

COMP170143, COMP180149, COMP180152, COMP180161, COMP190007, COMP190008, COMP190011, COMP190025, COMP190026, COMP190027, COMP190029, COMP190033, COMP190039, COMP190048, COMP190056, COMP190058, COMP190060, COMP190062, COMP190063, COMP190064, COMP190065, COMP190067, COMP190068, COMP190072, COMP190074, COMP190075,

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations for COMP190071 and refer the case to the AG's office as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations for COMP150121 and COMP170118 to refer the case for a peer review as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

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

Committee Meetings:

The Georgia Composite Board's Professional Standards Committee will continue to meet in person, Executive (Closed) Session, on the Thursday prior to the scheduled Friday full Composite Board Meetings to review complaint cases and conduct investigative interviews. The committee will meet in the Board offices beginning at 10:00 am.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Brown seconded and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

STEVE LIVINGSTON

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director HC1

Minutes approved **January 4, 2019**