

GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,  
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Conference Call

Board Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2019 8:30 AM

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met via teleconference Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Endsley Real, CSW, Chair  
Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT, Vice-Chair  
Steve Livingston, MFT  
Jacqueline Brown, CSW  
Bonnie Barker, LPC  
Tommy Black, LPC

**MEMBERS ABSENT/VACANT SEATS:**

(Consumer Member-VACANT)  
(MFT Member – VACANT)

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director  
Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:**

Betsy Cohen, Esq., AAG

Endsley Real, Chair established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:35 p.m.

**Agenda:** Approved as presented

**Petitions for Waiver/Variance:**

- M. Sims – Rule 135-3-.03
- G. Macino – 135-9-.01
- V. Vaughn – 135-9-.01 – *Tabled for review during March 8, 2019 Board Meeting*

**Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Barker seconded a vote to deny the petition request for M. Sims due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not being demonstrated; applicant must meet requirements in Board rule 135-3-.03 as well as 135-5-.01 in order for license to issued. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded and the Board voted to grant the petition request for G. Macino as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Application File Requests:**

- A. Wellons (CSW002679) – Release of application file including supervision documents to NC
- C. Mezza (LPC004731) – Release of entire application file to VA
- M. Long (LPC005127) – Release of entire application file to LA

**Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of the application documents requested for C. Mezzo as presented, excluding reference forms. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Brown seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of the application documents requested for the remaining individuals as presented, excluding reference forms. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Meeting Minutes:**

- January 4, 2019 Board Meeting
- January 11, 2019 Conf. Call

**Recommendation:**

*Acceptance tabled for further correction*  
Accept as Presented

**Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 11, 2019 Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Executive Session Minutes:**

- January 3, 2019 PPC Meeting
- January 4, 2019 Board Meeting
- January 11, 2019 Conf. Call

**Recommendation:**

Accept as Presented  
*Acceptance tabled for further correction*  
Accept as Presented

**Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 3, 2019 Executive Session Professional Practices Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 11, 2019 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Correspondence:**

- D. Brathwaite – Request for Release from Probation
- D. Rubin – Request to join Group Practice in Florida; Licensed in Florida/GA Board Order (Public)

**Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Black seconded and the Board voted to approve the petition for release of probationary status for D. Brathwaite as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Real seconded and the Board voted to approve the request from D. Rubin, with quarterly reports from Florida Supervisor. None opposed, motion carried.**

***NOTE: The conference call meetings quorum was lost when one member dropped off the call at this point in the meeting. The following items will be moved to the next scheduled meeting date for discussion; no votes were taken due to the loss of the voting quorum.***

**Correspondence:**

- NASW – RE CE Approval Question
- H. Whitley – RE LPC Requirements
- M. Bonnett – Re LPC Meeting Request

**With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Brown seconded and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 a.m.**

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

**ENDSLEY REAL**

Chair

**BRIG ZIMMERMAN**

Executive Director HC1

Minutes approved **March 8, 2019**