

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**
Conference Call/ZOOM Board Meeting Minutes – January 8, 2021 10:00 AM

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met via teleconference/ZOOM on Friday, January 8, 2021. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting from the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT, Vice-Chair
Steve Livingston, MFT
Lorien Jordan, MFT
Chip Morris, CSW
Lisa Morris, LPC
Bonnie Barker, LPC
Angie Smith, LPC

MEMBERS ABSENT/VACANT SEATS:

(Consumer Member-VACANT)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE:

Mary Brannen, Esq., AAG
Elizabeth Simpson, AAG

VISITORS PRESENT: (Open Session)

Gale Macke, LPCA, Executive Director
Jan Yates, NASW
Kcanada, Visitor
Dr. J., Visitor
Endsley Real, CSW
Angie Eells, CSW
Gabrielle Thomas, Visitor
Jeremy Fox, Visitor
Eric Groh, Ethics Demystified, LLC
Will Clark, Visitor

Nancy Acevedo, Visitor
Michelle Frey, Visitor
Rayvene's Iphone, Visitor
Daniel Woodrum, Visitor
Yvonne Dixon, Visitor
Jdbishop, Visitor
Missy Vaughn, Visitor
Mary Bartlett, Visitor
Monika R, Visitor

Kathryn Klock-Powell, Vice-Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Oath of Office – New Board Members:

- Angie Smith, LPC – Replaces Tommy Black. LPC
- Jaqueline Brown-Pinkney, CSW – Replaces Endsley Real, CSW – *Tabled – Not present*
- Paul Carrier, CSW – Replaces Angie Eells, CSW – *Tabled – Not present*

The Board would like to welcome new Board member appointments Ms. Angie Smith, Licensed Professional Counselor, Ms. Jacqueline Brown-Pinkney, Clinical Social Worker and Mr. Paul Carrier, Clinical Social Worker. New member, Smith was administered the Oath of Office at the start of today's Board meeting and Ms. Brown-Pinkney and Mr. Carrier will be administered their Oath of Office during the February 12, 2021 Board meeting.

The Board would like to express its gratitude to Mr. Black, Ms. Real and Ms. Eells for their years of service on this Board and dedication to the licensees and public. The Board noted a special thank you to Mr. Black who has continued to serve on the Board since the expiration of his second term in December of 2018.

Agenda: Approve as presented

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 12/2/2020 - 1/7/2021

license No	Licensee
AMFT000663	Brooke Elizabeth Ferreira
AMFT000664	Amorette Inez Jones
AMFT000665	Angellica Marie Wentworth
AMFT000666	Michael Christopher Williamson
APC007702	Whitney Elizabeth Carroll
APC007703	Christina Ethel-Dior Dunn
APC007704	Danielle Nicole Flint
APC007705	Joseph Taylor Folsom
APC007706	Joanna Lewis Fleming
APC007707	Farah Nicole Halford
APC007708	Amanda Nicole Hock
APC007709	Erin Trista Johnson
APC007710	Leah LaChele Howard
APC007711	Erin Marie Justice
APC007712	Kahlor Aileen Lutz
APC007713	Te'Aria Diamonique Martin
APC007714	Jennifer Prescott McClellan
APC007715	Deanna Marie Panza
APC007716	Danielle Philyaw
APC007717	Kelley Elizabeth Staley
APC007718	Littron S Cole
APC007719	Tennille Latrice Hamilton
APC007720	Chimnemerem Jennifer Neal
APC007721	Annicia Robison
APC007722	Rebecca Walker Rutledge
APC007723	Nicole Charisse Small
APC007724	Dorothy Amelia Thomas
APC007725	Byron Reese Wells
APC007726	Johana Paloma Wilson
APC007727	Tivia Shuntell Woods
APC007728	Mandy Casey Garcia
APC007729	Cathryn Giles Avery
APC007730	Katherine Keahey Baber
APC007731	Jesse David Dukes
APC007732	Jessica Elaine Kirby
APC007733	Carmen Maria Pease
APC007734	Jennifer Michelle Rector
APC007735	Taivia Nicosi Thompson
APC007736	Eleanor Cheatham Wassenberg

APC007737	Megan Joy Rainey
APC007738	Matthew Brian Reese
APC007739	Ayah Ayman Mostafa
CSW007412	Melissa Sparkman Bakas
CSW007413	Dawn Lizette Baskin-Turner
CSW007414	Courtney Layne Huddleston
CSW007415	Melissa Mae Joyeandys Ifill
CSW007416	Franklin Lamar Lewis, Jr
CSW007417	Jessica Blake Morrow
CSW007418	Katie Elizabeth Noll
CSW007419	Melissa Marie Stavana
CSW007420	Paula Anita Subadan
CSW007421	Barbie LaTonya Woods
CSW007422	Lorraine Cole Stokes
CSW007423	Karen Nichole Hester
CSW007424	LaTandria Sha'net Smith
CSW007425	Mary Ashley Peek
CSW007426	Tristin Jonina Chipman
CSW007427	Megan Woodhall Carson
CSW007428	Andrea Denise Baker
CSW007429	Apryle Lachelle Gates
CSW007430	Quicha LaShell Strong
CSW007431	Kailey Elisabeth Temmer
CSW007432	Traci Elise Finch
CSW007433	Cassandra Elise Register
CSW007434	Briana J'ana Farlow
CSW007435	Renaldo Vincent Mili
CSW007436	Michelle Hope Boyd Adams
CSW007437	Shevon Ashley Yolanda Jones
CSW007438	Rhonda Slade Payne
CSW007439	Sarah Katherine Ricks
CSW007440	Lucinda Shealey Ramseur
CSW007441	Raziya Malene Abraham
CSW007442	Jacob Michael Sobel
CSW007443	Claire Smith Parker
CSW007444	Jaime Ann Stepansky
CSW007445	Toneshia Tierra Webber
CSW007446	Ashley Hugh Stewart
CSW007447	Morgan Ashley Bright
CSW007448	Jasmine Candace Jones

CSW007449	Demetria Latrez Howell
CSW007450	Jamie Lynn Brown
CSW007451	Amanda Neoami Grant-Lewis
LPC011909	Margot A Cioffi
LPC011910	Angela Gail Walker
LPC011911	Joyce Jumni Bongang
LPC011912	Natasha Chentille Riley
LPC011913	Christine Sims
LPC011914	Brittany Lynne Alexander
LPC011915	Brenda Lorraine Bryant
LPC011916	Cheryl Denise Campbell
LPC011917	Tobea Marie Cook
LPC011918	Glenda Evette Demas
LPC011919	Jonathan Edward Dunlap
LPC011920	Page Michele Elgin
LPC011921	Lori Lynn Farrens
LPC011922	James Robert Fatz
LPC011923	Sherry Danielle Jackson
LPC011924	Michelle Elizabeth Lifton
LPC011925	Rachel McClain
LPC011926	James Barris Musgrave
LPC011927	Maria Cristina Noyola
LPC011928	Cortina D Peters
LPC011929	Turquoise Efe' Pipes
LPC011930	Albertina Ida Washington-Green
LPC011931	John A Adegboye
LPC011932	Anna Cathryn Anderson
LPC011933	Juannessa Booker
LPC011934	Tracey Regina Cobb
LPC011935	Raymond Eugene Dean, Jr
LPC011936	Kaleb Aiden Gilmer
LPC011937	Lorice Dorsene Harris
LPC011938	Emily Baylis Jasper
LPC011939	Amy Gandhi Lakhani
LPC011940	Brittany Martin Lilly
LPC011941	Rachel McCoy
LPC011942	Rebecca Jordan Schilling
LPC011943	Kara Nicole Stultz
LPC011944	Antonia Lamoi Taylor
LPC011945	Sera Funda Turgut
LPC011946	Traci Long Westin
LPC011947	Bruce Lambert Broadrick, Jr.
LPC011948	Tiffany Adriena Duncan

LPC011949	Andrew Mark Haynes
LPC011950	Kevin Devon Walker
LPC011951	Belinda Marshelle Oates
LPC011952	Ashley Keith Blanton
LPC011953	Karen Ann Corry
LPC011954	Jenina Rossi Smith
LPC011955	Ebony April Lumpkin
LPC011956	Carla Marie Spellman
LPC011957	Robert Lee Turner, III
LPC011958	Edliz Vazquez
MFT001825	Taneka Shrenae White
MFT001826	Edna Paige Abney
MFT001827	Alberto Logan Benitez
MFT001828	Michelle Catherine Brooten-Brooks
MFT001829	Taylor Elise Chandler
MFT001830	Katrina Shantell Jones
MFT001831	Kevin Lee Morton
MFT001832	Rebecca Eileen Short
MFT001833	Ashley Ann Walsdorf
MFT001834	Corinne Kate Barnickel
MFT001835	Charese Faye Taylor
MFT001836	Judy Lynn Lopez Weyand
MSW009748	Abbie Larena Becker
MSW009749	Marah Nicole Everett
MSW009750	Liz Arling Rivera
MSW009751	Dia Saron Tolson
MSW009752	Sonnia Denise Allana Parkinson
MSW009753	Diana Yvette Perales
MSW009754	Quincey S Holloway
MSW009755	Brenda Michele Duncan
MSW009756	Mercedez Anshuwnette Jackson
MSW009757	Mark Andrew Crossen
MSW009758	Tamra Lee Nasworthy
MSW009759	Aimee Elizabeth Mason
MSW009760	Janeshia Altameza Henry
MSW009761	Lindsay Hannah Hamilton
MSW009762	Jessica Kiley Breeden
MSW009763	Lauren Sandbach Darby
MSW009764	Maria Antoinette Josey
MSW009765	Kendra Vionne Dixon-Cooke Moten
MSW009766	Andrea Marie Galvin
MSW009767	Kortini Nyeshia Roseberry
MSW009768	Jonicqua Nicole Bobb

MSW009769	Hailee Jessica Dear
MSW009770	Keaira A'Shuntee Parker
MSW009771	Andrea Raquel James
MSW009772	Latiya Ayana Stanley
MSW009773	Tyra Faith Woods
MSW009774	Kristine Monica Frank
MSW009775	Moira Buttimer Butler
MSW009776	Erika Meinhold Dalton
MSW009777	Angel Marie Dennison
MSW009778	Jennifer Marie Lively
MSW009779	Domeatria Watkins Blair
MSW009780	Ka'Lynn Dianna Lei Price
MSW009781	Conisha Kym-Jeryl Jones

MSW009782	Precious T Parham
MSW009783	Heidi R Metrakoudes-Hewett
MSW009784	Kerry Chanell White
MSW009785	Margaret Lynn Wells McDonald
MSW009786	Matthew James Pritchard
MSW009787	Adrienne Raynette Burston
MSW009788	Allison Emily Adkins
MSW009789	Alejandra Shanae Luke-Coe
MSW009790	Kiara Monet Smith
MSW009791	Luriah L. Mussington
MSW009792	Kristie Lynette Griffin
MSW009793	Ca'Teama T. Sanders

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

Board Rules Discussion:

- Rule 135-3-.04 Endorsement – *Tabled for further discussion*
- Rule 135-5-.03 MSW – Refer to AG’s Office
- Rule 135-5-.04 CSW – Refer to AG’s Office

Ms. Jordan motioned, Ms. Barker seconded and the Board voted to refer the proposed rule of 135-5-.03 MSW and 135-5-.04 CSW to AG’s Office for a memo of statutory authority and to post the following proposed rule amendments upon receipt for the required minimum of thirty days for public view and comment, with a rule hearing to be conducted the next available meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes:

- November 6, 2020 Board Meeting
- November 10, 2020 SW PSC Rules Cmte
- November 13, 2020 LPC-PSC Rules Cmte
- December 4, 2020 Board Meeting
- December 8, 2020 SW-PSC Rules Cmte

Ms. Jordan motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 6, 2020 ZOOM Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Morris motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 10, 2020 SW PSC ZOOM committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Morris motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 13, 2020 LPC PSC ZOOM committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Morris motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 4, 2020 ZOOM Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Morris motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 8, 2020 SW PSC ZOOM committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Full Board Appearances Conducted:

- Jessica Gerstein LPC 11:00 a.m.
- Stacy Sheppard APC 11:15 a.m.

Recommendation:

Denial Stands; May apply for APC
Tabled, Pending receipt of additional information

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Klock Powell seconded, and the Board voted to that the denial stands for the application for licensure of J. Gerstein as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Jordan motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to table the decision for the application of S. Sheppard. upon receipt of additional information as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- K. Jackson – RE Internship Via TeleHealth – *Refer to Board rules and professional organization (LPCA) for further guidance.*

Ms. Morris motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve for Board Staff to respond as directed to correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- C. Faustin – Rule 135-3-.01
- C. Moon – Rule 135-3-.01

Recommendation:

Grant; 6 month extension
Grant; 6 month extension

Mr. Morris motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for C. Faustin and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Morris motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for C. Moon and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Associations – Board Update:

Association updates were provided by Gale Macke, CEO of LPCA and Jan Yates, NASW

Misc. Discussion Items:

- PSI - Jurisprudence Exam Development
Alex Ramirez, Test Development Specialist, PSI Services 11:30 a.m.

Mr. Ramirez presented to the Board the process and requirements for the possible creation and introduction of a Jurisprudence Exam for the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists. The Board will continue to deliberate on how to move forward with the process.

- Professional licenses who failed to renew this renewal cycle – 2,470

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Jordan 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, receive reports from the Assistant Attorney General, the Professional Practices (Complaints), the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees and review prior meeting executive session meeting minutes. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members present: Klock-Powell, Jordan, Smith, Barker, Ms. Morris, Mr. Morris and Livingston.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, January 8, 2021, Ms. Klock-Powell, declared the meeting into “open” session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Applicant Interviews Conducted:

The following applicant interviews were conducted by the committees prior to the start of today’s Board meeting beginning.

- J.B. (8:30 a.m.) LPC Tabled, Pending receipt of additional information

Mr. Livingston motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations of the application of J.B. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Applications:

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

Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the committees made for the Associate and Professional Counselor applications, the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications and the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy 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.

Professional Practices Committee/Complaints:

❖ **Investigative Interviews Conducted 01/07/2020:**

- COMP190149 – Close
- COMP190107 – Refer to AG’s Office
- COMP200008 – Refer to AG’s Office
- COMP210037 – Refer to AG’s Office
- COMP180118 – Close
- COMP200077 – Close

Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP190107 to the AG’s office for a Public Board Order as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP210037 to the AG’s office for a Private Board Order as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP200008 to the AG’s office for a Public Board Order as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Professional Practices Committee report, accept the recommendations as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Exec. Session Misc. Discussion Items:

- Executive Order 10.30.20.02 Governor Kemp – Development of an emergency rule for authorization for limited practice in the state of Georgia for out-of-state licensees to practice in Georgia via Telemental Health due to COVID-19

Ms. Morris motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to move forward with development of an emergency rule based on the Executive Order from Governor Kemp 10.30.20.02 as presented. If approved, out-of-state licensee's will be allowed on a limited, client specific basis to conduct telemental health services for their clients temporarily residing in Georgia due to COVID-19. None opposed, motion carried.

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Ms. Mary Brannen, 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.

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

Executive Session Minutes:

- November 5, 2020 PPC Meeting
- November 6, 2020 Board Meeting
- December 3, 2020 PPC Meeting
- December 4, 2020 Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve
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Ms. Morris motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 5, 2020 Executive Session Professional Practices Committee Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Morris motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the November 6, 2020 ZOOM Executive Session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Morris motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 3, 2020 Executive Session Professional Practices Committee Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Morris motioned, Mr. Livingston, and the Board voted to approve the December 4, 2020 Executive Session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Officer Election: 2021-2022

Chair: Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT

Vice-Chair: Lisa Morris, LPC

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Barker, and the Board voted to appoint Ms. Kathryn Klock-Powell as the Board Chair as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Barker, and the Board voted to appoint Ms. Lisa Morris as the Board's Vice-Chair as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, the Board meeting was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

KATHRYN KLOCK-POWELL

Chair

Minutes approved **February 12, 2021**

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director