

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS

Minutes – Open Session November 17, 2017

Approved by the Board on December 15, 2017

Members	Non-Members
Risa Ganel, LCMFT, <i>Chair</i>	Kimberly B. Link, J.D., Interim Exec. Dir.
Aparna Ramaswamy, Ed.D., Ph.D., LCPC, ACS, <i>Vice Chair</i>	David Finkler for Ari Elbaum, Board Counsel, AAG
	Anna Sullivan, Admin. Officer
Candice R. Dickens, LCADC, LCPC, <i>Secretary</i>	Frances Cipriotti, Administrator
Anna Blasetti DeJong, LCADC, LCPC, <i>Absent</i>	Janice Isaac, Admin. Specialist
Amanda Bechtel, LCADC, LCPAT	Tawana Brown, Admin. Specialist
Sharon Bolden, LCADC, LCPC	Skip Bedics, Investigator
Sara Carlton, Consumer	Willie Harris, MAD-AAMFT
Mark Donovan, LCADC, LCPC	Sharon Bloom, DH
Mary (“Nicki”) Drotleff, LCMFT	Michelle Darling, BHA
C. Scott Frazier, III, Consumer, <i>Absent</i>	Wendy Wilcox, BYFS
Jeffrey M. Galecki, MS, LCADC, LCPC	
Husher L. Harris, Sr., LCPC, <i>Absent</i>	
Karen Katrinic, LCMFT	

9:00 a.m. Committee Meetings

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:52 a.m.

- I. Review/Approval of Agenda – *Approved.*

- II. Review/Approval of Open Session minutes of October 20, 2017. *Approved.*

- III. Reports:
 - A. Chair – Welcome
 - B. Board Counsel – No report.
 - C. Legislation Regulations Committee:
 - Art therapy regulations ready for vote in Dec.
 - Art therapy program issues satisfactorily resolved with help of Kim Lang.
 - Kim Link will contact Social Work and Psychology Boards for update on progress of their teletherapy regulations.
 - D. Kristen Neville, DH – Ms. Neville is leaving state service. A search for her replacement is underway.
 - E. Credentialing Committee: No report.
 - F. Interim Executive Director:

1. Renewal portal went live Nov. 13, will work on issue of criminal history check requirement
2. Board response to sunset review is due Nov. 20. Copies will be sent to members once finalized.
3. Beacon Provider alert regarding who can sign treatment plans will be clarified by Michele Darling of BHA and Kim Link will notify board of clarification.
4. Continuing education courses on racial/ethnic disparities and military culture have been posted on the website.
5. Issue of allowing out of state counselors to provide limited counseling in case of mass trauma is referred to the legs/regs committee for further discussion.
6. Formal requests made to DBM and Secretary of DH for PINS for a compliance manager and 3 licensing personnel.

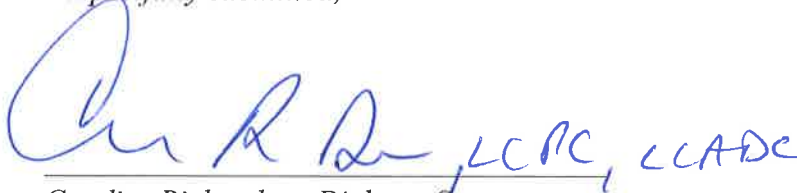
IV. Ratification of Licenses issued since October, 2017. *Approved.*

V. New Business: Jeff Galecki requested that the board explore hosting a town hall in the spring/summer.

Candice Dickens inquired as to the possibility of using high school interns to help office staff process applications.

Open Session adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Candice Richardson Dickens, Secretary