

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS

Minutes – Open Session January 19, 2018

Approved by the Board on February 16, 2018

Members	Non-Members
Risa Ganel, LCMFT, <i>Chair</i>	Kimberly B. Link, J.D., Exec. Dir.
Aparna Ramaswamy, Ed.D., Ph.D., LCPC, ACS, <i>Vice Chair</i>	Ari Elbaum, Board Counsel, AAG Rhonda Edwards, Board Counsel, AAG
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Mark Donovan, LCADC, LCPC	Sharon Bloom, DH
Mary (“Nicki”) Drotleff, LCMFT	Erin Rooker, BCBA-D
C. Scott Frazier, III, Consumer	Susan Roistacher, LCPCM
Jeffrey M. Galecki, MS, LCADC, LCPC	Elaine Johnson, Ph.D.
Husher L. Harris, Sr., LCPC	Larry Epp, Ed.D.
Karen Katrinic, LCMFT	

9:00 a.m. Discipline Review Committee
 Legislation/Regulations Committee
 Credentialing Committee

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

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

- II. Review/Approval of Open Session minutes of December 15, 2017. *Approved.*

- III. Reports:
 - A. Chair – Introduction of Speakers:
 Elaine Johnson, Ph.D. and Larry Epp, Ed.D. re: CACREP and portability.
 - B. Board Counsel – Ari Elbaum introduced Rhonda Edwards, AAG, as new counsel to the board.
 - C. Legislation Regulations Committee: Amanda Bechtel, Chair,
 Continued work on reciprocity and teletherapy regulations. Kim Link to inquire as to how best to reach out to neighboring states to discuss entering a compact for reciprocity.

- D. Credentialing Committee: Anna DeJong, Chair, discussion of course review by committee for specific applicants; 133 applications received since last meeting.
- E. Executive Director, Kim Link:
 - Discussion of Sunset Evaluation briefing in Annapolis on January 23, 2018 at 1 pm. Location will be emailed to members.
 - New contractual investigator position will be posted shortly as previously hired investigator moved to another state. Awaiting list from HR of applicants for permanent investigator position. No word on PIN request at this time.
 - Discussion of procedure for hearing on HB 32 and position paper. No hearing set to date.

IV. Old Business: Discussion of Recommendations 22 and 23 of Sunset Evaluation regarding board composition and addition of behavior analyst seat to the board for position to present at briefing on January 23, 2018.

Motion (Galecki): That the board oppose the language in the proposed sunset bill regarding board composition and the addition of behavior analyst seat in order to give the board more time to research the issue and to address priorities as set forth in the evaluation. **Carried.** *Ramaswamy opposed.*

Motion (Galecki): to establish an ad hoc committee to study the issue of board composition. **Carried.** Chair to assign members to the committee which will also include a member of the BAAC.

V. New Business: Chair proposed a board retreat. Request for ideas on venue, etc.

Open Session adjourned at 12:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candice Richardson Dickens, Secretary