

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board  
LAC Advisory Committee Minutes  
Friday, April 29, 2016**

**Call to Order:** The Meeting was called to order by Chair Deb Stidham at 10:05 a.m.

Committee members present in person: Jason Hess, Duane Olberding, Dan Petersen, Tina Steffensmeier, Deb Stidham, Chelle Wilson. Present by phone: Stephen Brazill, and Cheryl Reynolds.

Staff Present: Leslie Allen, Jennifer Peerenboom, Marilyn Revell

Guests: Christi Darnell – Valley Hope, Atchison, KS

**Review/Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the February 19, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Cheryl moved to approve the minutes as presented, Dan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

**Staff Update:** Leslie updated the committee on BSRB legislation currently in the Kansas legislature. She gave an overview of SB449:

- There will be common language used for all the BSRB professions
- As of July 1, 2016, all BSRB will be placed under KAPA proceedings, no professions will be covered by KOMA.
- BSRB will change the language for all professions to “may” charge a fee from “shall” charge a fee. This change may result in the elimination of the original license fee and the lowering of other licensing fees.
- Reciprocity applications will allow an applicant to be licensed “60 out of the last 66 months” to allow for some flexibility in approving the licenses. Previously the application by reciprocity demanded that the applicant had to be “continuously licensed for the previous 5 years”.
- For the Addiction counseling licensees at the masters level (LMAC), the language includes that LMACs can diagnose and treat “under the direction of” which will parallel the current master level licensees of other BSRB professions. Current LAC licensees who hold a master’s degree will be issued a “LMAC” license. There will be 6 hours of diagnosis and treatment required for CEUs for LMACs. LBSWs can apply as LACs with 12 hours of addiction studies.
- Supervision training requirements will be put into effect for the professions of Marriage and Family Therapy and Professional Counseling.
- A Temporary Licensed Psychologist licensed will now be available to applicants who have met all the requirements for graduation, but have not yet received their degrees.
- As of July 1, 2017, the Grandparent application for addiction counseling will no longer be accepted.

- Leslie will be busy writing regulations to reflect all of the changes in the next few months.

### **Workforce Development Activities:**

- Deb reported that there had been two meetings so far with KDADS workforce development committee. Each state was asked to write a strategic plan. The first thing was to convene a stakeholder group consisting of educators, health centers, KDADS, doctors, vocational rehabilitation representatives and BSRB. The second task was to write a paper of recommendation. The committee will meet every other month.
- Kansas Substance Use Disorder (SUD) 101 course is offered online at no charge.
- Annual Association Conference is scheduled for September 14-16 in Manhattan, KS.
- Kansas Association of Addiction Professionals (KAAP) Leadership Summit is scheduled for July 20<sup>th</sup> in Topeka.
- Dan asked if Federal Grant Funds are available for the workforce committee.
- Pre-service activities are recommended such as education and recruitment at the Junior and Senior High levels in the schools, Public Service Announcements, promotion of the career of addiction counseling. Some videos are already available.
- There is a major advancement in technical education in Kansas. Medical social services may be offered in the technical schools such as Washburn Tech.
- Dan stated that there is a free course for crime victims, you just have to register to get a certificate, there is a pre-test and post-test. He also suggested adding a list of CEU websites to the BSRB webpage. There is a Kansas victim assistance training program, (KAVA) Kansas Academy of Victim's Assistance.

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. Jason moved to adjourn the meeting, and Dan seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m. by Deb Stidham.