Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board LAC Advisory Committee Minutes March 6, 2015

<u>Call to Order:</u> The Conference Call Meeting was called to order by Chair Barbara Burks at 10:08 a.m..

Committee Members Present by phone: Barbara Burks, Dan Peterson, and Kristina (Tina) Steffensmeier, Deb Stidham, Cheryl Reynolds joined the meeting at 10:15 by phone.

Staff Present: Max Foster, Leslie Allen, Jennifer Peerenboom, Marilyn Revell

Guests: none

<u>Review/Approval of Minutes</u>: Minutes from the January 9, 2015 were reviewed. Dan moved to approve the minutes. All members present approved the minutes.

<u>Call for agenda/discussion items</u>: Language in Senate Bill 254 will be discussed. Max stated that the BSRB Board approved the bill on the 2nd phone conference call held on March 16, 2015 at noon, and sent the bill on to the Revisor's office to be submitted. The Bill was introduced into an exempt committee, the Senate Ways and Means committee, by Senator O'Donnell. The bill was then sent to the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee which is chaired by Senator Mary Pilcher-Cook. Max met with Senator Pilcher-Cook to discuss the primary points of SB 254. She had no problems with the bill. Max at this time has no idea whether or not the bill will have a hearing this legislative session.

Deb asked if the language concerning the LMAC could be changed from "under the supervision of" to "under the direction of" to make it more consistent with other professions. Barbara suggested that we could propose that change in a hearing or if the bill is not heard this session, BSRB can re-submit with the changed language for NEXT legislative session. Barbara said that she did NOT consider it important to the masters level licensee (LMAC) to work in a facility with a lot of structure and oversight as in the Bachelors level licensee (LAC). This would keep the masters level license more parallel with the other masters level professions. Cheryl remarked that it would be best to remove all language referring to "a facility". Dan said that his comments were in line with this discussion.

Future meeting dates were announced for May 1st and July 10th, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned by Barbara at 10:30 a.m