

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board  
Licensed Addiction Counselor Advisory Committee  
August 14, 2020 Minutes**

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Chair Deb Stidham at 11:00 a.m.

**Addiction Counselor Advisory Committee Members.** Those who participated by zoom were Lisa Carter, Deb Stidham, Jacqueline Lightcap, Jason Hess, Dulcinea Rakestraw, Kendal Carswell, Shane Hudson and Michael James. Those who participated by phone was Justin Spiehs.

**BSRB Staff:** Those who participated by zoom were Max Foster, Leslie Allen, Ashley VanBuskirk and Sami Barksdale

**Guests.** None.

**Approval of December Minutes:** Dulcinea Rakestraw moved to approve minutes as written. Jason Hess seconded. The motion passed.

**Approval of June Minutes:** Dulcinea Rakestraw moved to approve minutes as written. Jason Hess seconded. The motion passed.

**BSRB Executive Director Report by Max Foster.**

- Max will be retiring at the end of the year. There is a hiring committee working to fill the position.
- Staff is working in split schedules so not everyone is in the office at once.
- New database will hopefully be launched next week.
- Preparing our budget due September 15, 2020.

**Old Business.**

- Auditing addiction coursework. We haven't received any new information. Will continue to work on getting summary of findings together for each university/program.

**Legislative Issues for 2021:** The committee discussed is there are any issues due to COVID that would need to be changed next legislative session.

**New Business.**

- Addiction Counselor testing company is still offering testing just on a limited spacing basis.
- Steve Brazill is no longer on the committee so there is now an opening. Dulcinea Rakestraw suggested Christina from western Kansas. The committee will discuss possible candidates at a later date.

**Adjournment.** The next meeting was scheduled for Friday, October 16, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.