

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
LPC Advisory Committee Minutes
February 1, 2016
10:00 a.m.**

Call to Order: The phone conference meeting was called to order by Chair Todd Frye at 10:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present by phone were: Jill Craven, Todd Frye, Ken Hughey, Kenton Oliff, Gary Price, Elaine Ptacek

Staff Present: Max Foster & Marilyn Revell

Guests: Sky Westerlund attended in person

Approval of Minutes: Kenton moved that the minutes from the October 19, 2015 meeting be approved as submitted. Ken seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Staff Reports: Max gave the committee an overview of recent activities of the Board and staff

- The Board finalized the changes to SB254 at the last Board meeting. Those changes have been submitted to the revisor office to write a new bill. Late Friday, Max received the initial draft of the proposed legislation. After the draft has met with approval, the Senate Public Health and Welfare Chair, Senator Pilcher-Cook will introduce it in committee.
 - *In the new draft:*
 - There is no reference to language of the DSM
 - No reference to changing the safety training requirement for social workers
 - Adjusted the definition of “incompetence” and “substantiation of abuse” per the suggestion of the legal counsel representing the KNASW for reasons to deny, revoke or suspend a license
 - The Board may require fingerprinting for applicants
 - Changing the wording from “shall charge a fee” to “may charge a fee”
 - For reciprocity, the wording will be changed to “licensed 60 out of the previous 66 months” to be considered for licensure in Kansas
 - “LMAC” (Licensed Master Addiction Counselor) - changing the wording from “under the supervision of” to “under the direction of” to parallel the language of the other BSRB professions at the masters level.
 - All professions under the BSRB Board will now fall under KAPA rules and procedures
 - Todd asked if, under the supervision requirement, CEUs were included in the new bill. Max stated that in the new section 6, 3 CEUs are required for supervision and 1 in ethics. Todd clarified for the committee the supervision requirements for clinical supervision in professional counseling – 30 hours initially and then CEUs each renewal period.
 - Todd sent out emails asking for individual and organization support for this legislation. He will draft a letter of support and Max suggested that those letters be sent directly to Senator Pilcher-Cook. Universities were also encouraged to support this licensing legislation.

- Max presented an agency overview of BSRB to the Senate Health and Welfare committee before the bill was introduced this session. He will also meet with the House Health and Human Services committee when the bill is heard in that committee in the House of Representatives. Max met on January 25, 2016 with the Chair of the committee, Representative Hawkins, in preparation for the House committee hearing the bill.
- As of July 1, 2016 BSRB will be licensing Applied Behavior Analysts and Assistant Behavior Analysts. The committee has submitted regulations to go with the statutes in place. The statutes currently have significant gaps in comparison to the other BSRB profession's statutes.
- The BA and ABA professions are not currently listed as mandated reporters for abuse or neglect of children. House Bill 2451 was introduced last week in the committee of Corrections and Juvenile Justice. This bill concerns this list of mandated reporters. Max went as a proponent of the bill and asked that BA and ABA professionals be added to that list. Representative Ruben is the Chair of this committee and is the legislator who originally introduced the legislation to license Behavioral Analysts in Kansas. The hearing was closed after testimony and the committee will work the bill.
- Budget hearings are being held this week in the legislature. BSRB's budget has been approved so far.
- Max met with the Chair of the Joint Committee of Rules and Regulation – BSRB has BA regulations and SB 254 (or the replacement bill) regulations coming up for approval

Other Business: Todd asked the staff to send out an email to invite LCPCs across the state to send a letter of interest and vitae to Max Foster to be a member of the Advisory Committee.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the BSRB office.

Todd adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.