

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Board Meeting
May 13, 2019 Minutes**

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathy Armstrong at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call.

Board Members: Kathy Armstrong, Barbara Callahan, Jill Craven, Todd Frye, Bruce Nystrom, Terry Pfannenstiel, Larry Salmans, Leslie Sewester, Marcia Simoneau, Deb Stidham and Carolyn Szafran were present. Kathy Herzog joined by telephone.

BSRB Staff. Max Foster, Leslie Allen, Cindy D’Ercole, Jeanette Spencer and Linda Hoover were present.

Guests: Janet Arndt, Assistant Attorney General, Tom Pletcher, LMLP Advisory Committee member, and Becky Fast, Director of KNASW were present. Dr. Brooke Mann and Leo Hermann joined by telephone.

- I. **Agenda Approval.** Leslie asked that New Business, C., Regulation Amendments be removed from the agenda. Terry moved to accept the agenda as amended. Jill seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- II. **Approval of Minutes.**
Terry moved to accept the March 11, 2019 minutes as amended. Marcia seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- III. **Approval of Newly Issued Licenses** (March 1, 2019 through April 30, 2019). Jill moved to accept the newly issued licenses. Leslie Sewester seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- IV. **Public Comments.** None.

- V. **Executive Director’s Report**
 - a. Database Supported by Board of Healing Arts (BOHA). Weekly meetings being held; staff training; timetable; coordination with CEU providers. Props to Leslie Allen.
 - b. Presentations / Meetings Attended
 - Complaint Process – Washburn University
 - Social Worker Licensure – Max and Leslie at Park University
 - Counseling Psychology Department – Max and Leslie at KU
 - LPC, LCPC, LMLP and LCP Programs – Max and Leslie at Avila University
 - Non-Cabinet Agency Directors – Max. Mileage reimbursement for board members; slow database; Director or Appointments; 10% fee fund sweep.
 - SB 193
 - c. Cyber Security Awareness Training
 - d. Multi Factor Authentication
 - e. Fee reduction regulations became effective March 15, 2019.
 - f. Fiscal Report
 - Budget request approved
 - Cash Balance Report
 - Budget Analysis as of March 31, 2019
 - Fee Fund Analysis May 2019

- VI. **Staff Reports.** None

VII. Complaint Review Committee Report. Terry reported that 42 cases were reviewed in April 2019. There were two CAOs, four proposed diversions; one revocation; one suspension; one case where we asked the person to Cease and Desist behavior; 13 were dismissed because the facts did not support the allegations; 11 no jurisdiction; six cautionary letters were sent. One case was identified for further investigation. One case that we asked the licensee to appear. One other case where action was required. Investigators and Jane Weiler are doing an excellent job.

VIII. Professions Reports

- a. **Psychology.** Barb reported that this Advisory Committee did not meet. Next meeting set for June 11, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
- b. **Social Work.** Carolyn reported that this Advisory Committee met May 1. Will meet July 9, 2019. The Social Work Sub-Committee met to finalize the “Supervisor’s Training Manual”. The next step is for review by the Assistant Attorney General’s office.
- c. **Professional Counselor.** Todd reported that the date for this Advisory Committee’s next meeting has not been determined.
- d. **Masters Level Psychology.** Larry reported that this Advisory Committee met March 11, 2019. Will meet today after the Board meeting.
- e. **Marriage and Family Therapy.** Terry reported that this Advisory Committee met May 9, 2019. The Committee requested more time to study the outcome of SB 193 and MFT licensure. The Committee determined that more time is needed to study the impact on LCMFT Training Programs, and asked University faculty their opinion of reducing post graduate hours of supervision. Also discussed video-conferencing / direct client contact.
- f. **Addiction Counseling.** Deb reported that this Advisory Committee met April 19, 2019 via Zoom. Committee determined that more time is needed to determine the impact of SB 193 on Addiction Counselor Licensure and Clinical Training Plans. Committee has begun auditing addiction counselor programs. The next meeting will be June 21, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.
- g. **Behavior Analysts.** Max reported that this Advisory Committee has not met.

IX. Old Business. There was discussion of the following topics.

- a. **Retired License Designation with Ability to Volunteer (Tom Pletcher).** Mr. Pletcher is a licensed Clinical Psychotherapist who lives in Wichita and serves on the Masters Level Psychology Advisory Committee. He retired and has since volunteered with the American Red Cross as manager of Disaster Mental Health in South Central and South East Kansas. There was discussion of the role of charitable licensed mental health professionals in response to disaster relief. Mr. Pletcher asked the BSRB to consider reduction of fees and reduction of CEUs for retired mental health professionals to function in volunteer capacity only. This will be on the Board’s agenda at a future date.
- b. **DSM / ICD-10.** It was the consensus of the Board to have staff gather information from other states regarding their statutes on the ICD and the DSM.

X. New Business. There was discussion of the following topics.

- a. **Accelerated Program / Coursework for a master’s degree in Psychology/Fort Hays State University.** Dr. Brooke Mann and Dr. Leo Herrmann joined by telephone. She is director of the Accelerated Program / Coursework for a master’s degree in psychology at Fort Hays State University. This will be on the Board’s agenda at a future date.

- b. **Post Graduate Hours Required for LSCSW – Training Plan in Process Prior to Bill.**
The consensus of the Board was to apply the law at the time the training plan was received by the Board office and when the supervisor and supervisee signs that the goals have been met. BSRB staff will send emails to LMSW and LSCSW licensees to explain how the new law impacts LMSW licensees and those are working toward LSCSW licensure.
- c. **Legislative Package 2020.** This topic will continue to be on the Board agenda during future meetings. The goal is to have this determined by the September 2019 Board meeting, and no later than the November 2019 Board meeting. Each Advisory Committee is to recommend to the Board any potential changes to clinical licensure requirements.
- d. **Suicide Prevention Continuing Education Request – All Professions.** Should the Board support completion of suicide prevention education as a requirement to renew license? Jill moved to not approve this requirement as stated in the request, and that the Board receive more information regarding the topic. Leslie Sewester seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- e. **Enhanced – Examination for Professional Practice of Psychology (EPPP).** The LP Advisory Committee recommended, and the consensus of the Board was to continue the accepted practice and determine at a future date if the licensed psychologist be required to sit for Part Two of the EPPP test which will be available at a future date. More information is needed following the initial EPPP Part Two test.

Adjourn. Meeting adjourned.