

**BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2024**

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- I. Call to Order.** Mary Jones, Chair of the Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 10am.
- Committee Members.** Advisory Committee members present by Zoom were Mary Jones, Jim Kilmartin, Nicole Eitzen, Chris Habben, Betsy Henderson, Marcie Lechtenberg, Dianne Seibel and Heidi Vela.
- Staff.** BSRB staff present by Zoom were David Fye and Leslie Allen.
- II. Approval of Agenda.** Jim Kilmartin moved to approve the agenda. Marcie Lechtenberg seconded. The motion passed.
- III. Review and Approval of Minutes from Previous Advisory Committee Meeting on June 14.** Jim Kilmartin moved to approve the minutes from the Advisory Committee meeting on June 14, 2024. Betsy Henderson seconded. The motion passed.
- IV. Executive Director's Report.** David Fye, Executive Director for the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board (BSRB) provided updates on agency operations, actions from recent Board meetings, and legislative updates.
- V. Old Business**
- A. Discussion on Possible Updates to Educational Equivalency Standards in K.A.R. 102-5-3.** The Advisory Committee continued discussion on the Educational Requirements for licensure. The Executive Director went over the current requirements and asked if there were any additional recommendations for changes. The Advisory Committee expressed no additional recommendations at this time.
- B. Continued Discussion on Possible Survey of Licensees.** The Executive Director supplied the Advisory Committee with potential questions for the survey to be sent out to all marriage and family therapy licensees. The Advisory Committee reviewed these questions and discussed possible additional questions they would like to see added to the survey. They suggested adding a sentence to question 12 that would clarify the process to report complaints. Additionally, members would like to add a note to the survey stating that the responses to the survey are anonymous. Members of the Advisory Committee also suggested adding a question asking if licensees provide services using telehealth, and if so, what percentage of their work involves telehealth compared to services provided in the same physical space as the client. The Executive Director will incorporate these changes and work on sending out to the survey to licensees.

VI. New Business

A. Discussion on Regulation of Artificial Intelligence. The Executive Director noted the Board referred this topic to the Advisory Committees for discussion, so that each of the Advisory Committees could forward possible recommendations back to the Board. Advisory Committee members agreed there needs to be regulations in place. Additional discussion will occur at a future meeting.

B. Discussion on Adding Description of Each Profession to BSRB Website to Inform Public of the Differences Between the Professions. The Board would like to add some basic language to our website concerning the differences between each profession for the public. Information was sent to the advisory committee members to review and discuss at a future meeting.

C. Discussion Topics for 2024 and 2025. No new topics were discussed.

VII. Next Meeting. The next meeting will be October 11, 2024 at 10am.

VIII. Adjournment. Jim Kilmartin moved to adjourn the meeting Nicole Eitzen seconded. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.