

**Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners
July 21, 2023
Board Meeting
LPC Board Office, Baton Rouge, LA
APPROVED**

The meeting was called to order by L Fazio-Griffith at 12:01pm. N Pierce took the roll call and determined a quorum was present.

Members Present:

L Fazio-Griffith
N Pierce
A Hays
E Johns
K Tyner
F Nash
C Butler
M Reynaud

Members Absent:

R Salgado
K Hebert
E Airhia

Staff Present:

J Doming
R Lundin

Guests Present:

J Hessick
N Lee
C Nicholas
N Banks
D Dobbins

Agenda

E Johns motions to accept the agenda. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

LPC Licensure Hearings for Applicants not Scheduled to Appear

Laura McLaughlin case presented by J Hessick. A Hays motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Laura McLaughlin. K Tyner seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Shermetra Griffin case presented by J Hessick. C Butler motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Shermetra Griffin. N Pierce seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Rachel Berry case presented by J Hessick. A Hays motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Rachel Berry. C Butler seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Lavanda Randell case presented by J Hessick. F Nash motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Lavanda Randell. N Pierce seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Haydn Warren case presented by J Hessick. F Nash motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Haydn Warren. N Pierce seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Francine Davis case presented by J Hessick. N Pierce motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Francine Davis. F Nash seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

H'Jordis Foster case presented by J Hessick. N Pierce motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for H'Jordis Foster. A Hays seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Ceclia Simon case presented by J Hessick. A Hays motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Ceclia Simon. K Tyner seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Rebecca Stogner case presented by J Hessick. N Pierce motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Rebecca Stogner. C Butler seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Vicky Acosta case presented by J Hessick. N Pierce motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Vicky Acosta. C Butler seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Gabrielle Dixon case presented by J Hessick. N Pierce motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Gabrielle Dixon. C Butler seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Melinda Ganes case presented by J Hessick. F Nash motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Melinda Ganes. N Pierce seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Coretta Kimble case presented by J Hessick. N Pierce motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Coretta Kimble. C Butler seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Janice Boudreaux case presented by J Hessick. F Nash motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Janice Boudreaux. K Tyner seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Kandace Ward case presented by J Hessick. K Tyner motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Kandace Ward. F Nash seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Ashly Descant case presented by J Hessick. K Tyner motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Ashly Descant. F Nash seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Stacy Ellefson case presented by J Hessick. K Tyner motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Stacy Ellefson. F Nash seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Shannon Harmon case presented by J Hessick. K Tyner motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Shannon Harmon. N Pierce seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Verricha Stewart case presented by J Hessick. K Tyner motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Verricha Stewart. F Nash seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Ashley Pratt case presented by J Hessick. K Tyner motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Ashley Pratt. F Nash seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

Sara Reinosa case presented by J Hessick. K Tyner motions to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law for Sara Reinosa. F Nash seconds. all in favor. No opposed.

No public comments.

Board Meeting Minutes

E Johns motions to accept the May Board Meeting minutes. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

Committee on Disciplinary Affairs Report: K Tyner, N Pierce, R Salgado, J Doming, J Raines

J Hessick presents Interim Consent Agreement #22/23-194, PLPC #PLC8051. F Nash motions to accept Interim Consent Agreement #22/23-194. N Pierce seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #19/20-127, LPC #5928. M Raynaud motions to accept Consent Agreement #19/20-127. E Johns seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #22/23-168, LPC #4505. E Johns motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-168. C Butler seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #22/23-154, PLPC #PLC7532. F Nash motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-154. C Butler seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #22/23-151, LMFT612. A Hays motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-151. E Johns seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #22/23-131, LPC #6826. E Johns motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-131. A Hays seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #22/23-155, PLPC #PLC8109. E Johns motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-155. A Hays seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #22/23-109, LPC #6634. M Raynaud motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-109. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Consent Agreement #22/23-221, LPC #7330. M Raynaud motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-221. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Hessick presents Surrender License #22/23-222, LPC #3927. E Johns motions to accept Consent Agreement #22/23-222. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

Disciplinary Affairs Report presented by N Pierce.

Unofficial Complaints Received since 5/19/2023:

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| 1. 22/23-225 | Practicing without a License |
| 2. 22/23-226 | Unethical Behavior |
| 3. 22/23-227 | Unprofessional Behavior |
| 4. 22/23-228 | Not Valid |
| 5. 22/23-230 | Unreported Arrest* |
| 6. 22/23-231 | Unreported Arrest* |
| 7. 22/23-232 | Unreported Arrest* |
| 8. 22/23-233 | Unreported Arrest* |
| 9. 22/23-234 | Unethical Behavior |
| 10. 22/23-235 | Inappropriate Behavior |
| 11. 22/23-236 | Unethical Behavior |
| 12. 22/23-237 | Unethical Behavior |
| 13. 22/23-238 | Unethical Behavior |
| 14. 22/23-239 | Unethical Behavior |
| 15. 22/23-240 | Unprofessional Behavior |
| 16. 22/23-243 | Not Valid |
| 17. 22/23-249 | Unlicensed |
| 18. 22/23-250 | Unethical Behavior |
| 19. 22/23-251 | Unethical Behavior |
| 20. 22/23-252 | Unethical Behavior |
| 21. 22/23-253 | Unethical Behavior |
| 22. 22/23-254 | Unethical Behavior |
| 23. 22/23-255 | Not Valid |
| 24. 22/23-256 | Not Valid |
| 25. 22/23-258 | Not Valid |
| 26. 22/23-260 | Unprofessional Behavior |
| 27. 22/23-261 | Unprofessional Behavior |
| 28. 22/23-262 | Not Valid |

29. 23/24-01	Unprofessional Behavior
30. 23/24-02	Unethical Behavior
31. 23/24-03	Unethical Behavior
32. 23/24-06	Unreported Arrest*
33. 23/24-07	Unreported Arrest*
34. 23/24-08	Unreported Arrest*
35. 23/24-09	Unreported Arrest*
36. 23/24-10	Unreported Arrest*
37. 23/24-11	Unreported Arrest*
38. 23/24-12	Unreported Arrest*
39. 23/24-13	Unreported Arrest*
40. 23/24-14	Unethical Behavior
41. 23/24-16	Unreported Arrest
42. 23/24-18	Working with Suspended License

Official Complaints Received since 5/19/2023:

1. 22/23-224	Unprofessional Behavior
2. 22/23-229	Unprofessional Behavior
3. 22/23-241	Unethical Behavior
4. 22/23-242	Unethical Behavior
5. 22/23-245	Unprofessional Behavior
6. 22/23-246	Unprofessional Behavior
7. 22/23-247	Unprofessional Behavior
8. 22/23-248	Unprofessional Behavior
9. 22/23-257	Unethical Behavior/Inappropriate Behavior
10. 22/23-259	Unethical Behavior
11. 23/24-04	Unethical Behavior
12. 23/24-05	Unethical Behavior
13. 23/24-15	Dual Relationship
14. 23/24-17	Unethical Behavior

Cases to Open:

1. 22/23-209	Unprofessional Behavior
2. 22/23-210	Unethical Behavior
3. 22/23-211	Unreported Arrest*
4. 22/23-214	Unreported Arrest*
5. 22/23-215	Dual Relationship
6. 22/23-216	Unethical Behavior
7. 22/23-218	Unethical/Unprofessional Behavior

8. 22/23-222	Unethical Behavior/Inappropriate Relationship
9. 22/23-231	Unreported Arrest*
10. 22/23-232	Unreported Arrest*
11. 22/23-233	Unreported Arrest*
12. 22/23-238	Confidentiality
13. 22/23-239	Unethical Behavior
14. 22/23-240	Unprofessional Behavior
15. 22/23-245	Unprofessional Behavior
16. 22/23-248	Unprofessional Behavior
17. 22/23-257	Unethical Behavior/Inappropriate Relationships
18. 22/23-259	Unethical Behavior
19. 23/24-04	Unethical Behavior

Cases to Close:

1. 17/18-27	Fraudulent Billing
2. 18/19-71	Fraudulent Billing
3. 18/19-79	Expired License
4. 18/19-51	Expired License
5. 19/20-127	Sexual Misconduct/ CA
6. 21/22-59	Unethical Conduct
7. 21/22-76	Expired License
8. 21/22-114	Unethical Conduct
9. 21/22-115	Fraudulent Billing
10. 21/22-119	Unethical Conduct
11. 21/22-120	Unethical Behavior
12. 21/22-133	Unethical Behavior
13. 22/23-67	Unethical Behavior
14. 22/23-128	Unprofessional Behavior
15. 22/23-135	Patient Abandonment
16. 22/23-149	Fraudulent Billing
17. 22/23-193	Unethical Behavior
18. 22/23-203	Unethical Behavior
19. 22/23-230	Unreported Arrest

Complaints to Dismiss:

1. 21/22-98	Unprofessional Behavior
2. 22/23-224	Unprofessional Behavior
3. 22/23-226	Unethical Behavior
4. 22/23-227	Unprofessional Behavior

5. 22/23-228	Not Valid
6. 22/23-229	Unprofessional Behavior
7. 22/23-230	Unreported Arrest
8. 22/23-234	Unethical Behavior
9. 22/23-235	Inappropriate Behavior
10. 22/23-236	Inappropriate Behavior
11. 22/23-237	Unethical Behavior
12. 22/23-242	Unethical Behavior
13. 22/23-243	Not Valid
14. 22/23-244	Not Valid
15. 22/23-247	Unprofessional Behavior
16. 22/23-249	Unlicensed
17. 22/23-250	Unethical Behavior
18. 22/23-255	Not Valid
19. 22/23-256	Not Valid
20. 22/23-258	Not Valid
21. 22/23-260	Unprofessional Behavior
22. 22/23-261	Unprofessional Behavior
23. 22/23-262	Not Valid
24. 23/24-01	Unprofessional Behavior
25. 23/24-02	Unethical Behavior
26. 23/24-03	Unethical Behavior
27. 23/24-14	Unethical Behavior
28. 23/24-15	Dual Relationship
29. 23/24-18	Working with Suspended License

TOTAL OPEN CASES TO DATE: 130

Consent Agreements:

22/23-194
 19/20-127
 22/23-168
 22/23-154
 22/23-151
 22/23-131
 22/23-155
 22/23-109
 22/23-221

Voluntary Surrender:

22/23-222

E Johns motions to accept the Committee on Disciplinary Affairs Report. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Committee on Legislative Affairs Report: E Airhia, K Hebert

J Doming presented legislative updates provided by A Trogden and discussion of HB 648.

K Tyner motions to accept the Committee on Legislative Affairs Report. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Committee on Licensure/Supervision/Appraisal Report- LPC: L Fazio-Griffith, A Johns, R Salgado

The LPC Committee on Licensure/Supervision/Appraisal Report presented by L Fazio-Griffith.

Total Number of LPC Applications Reviewed:				
June & July 2023				
Application	June	July	Expedited	Total
LPC Application for Licensure	11	14	24	49
<i>46 Approved; 3 Intent to Deny</i>				
LPC Endorsement Application	2	7	6	15
<i>13 Approved; 2 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLPC Application (Section 1, 2, 3)	31	57	86	174
<i>167 Approved; 7 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLPC Application: Section 1 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
LPC Supervisor Application	7	17	4	28
<i>27 Approved; 1 Intent to Deny</i>				
Appraisal Privilege	0	2	0	2
<i>2 Approved; 0 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLPC: Change/Add Supervisor	7	3	0	10
<i>10 Approved</i>				
PLPC Practice Setting Updates	30	46	0	76
<i>76 Approved</i>				
PLPC Audited Renewal Approvals				0
PLPC Standard Renewal Approvals				0
LPC Audited Renewal Approvals				161
LPC Standard Renewal Approvals				1302
Telehealth Approvals				98
Total LPC Applications Reviewed	88	146	120	1915
<i>Expedited: Totals from Approvals from 5/18/2023-7/17/2023</i>				

A Hays motion to accept the LPC Committee on Licensure/Supervision/Appraisal Report. C Butler seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Committee on Licensure/Supervision- LMFT: A Hays, K Tyner

The LMFT Committee on Licensure/Supervision Report presented by F Nash.

Total Number of LMFT Applications Reviewed:				
June & July 2023				
Application	June	July	Expedited	Total
LMFT Application for Licensure	0	3	1	4
<i>4 Approved</i>				
LMFT Endorsement Application	1	0	2	3
<i>2 Approved; 1 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLMFT Application (Section 1, 2, 3)	5	1	4	10
<i>10 Approved</i>				
PLMFT Application: Section 1 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLMFT: Change/Add Supervisor	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLMFT Practice Setting Updates	0	2	0	2
<i>2 Approved</i>				
LMFT Supervisor	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
LMFT Supervisor Candidate	0	1	0	1
<i>1 Approved</i>				
PLMFT Audited Renewal Approvals				0
PLMFT Standard Renewal Approvals				0
LMFT Audited Renewal Approvals				3
LMFT Standard Renewal Approvals				0
Total LMFT Applications Reviewed	6	7	7	23
<i>Expedited: Totals from Approvals from 5/18/2023-7/17/2023</i>				

M Reynaud motions to accept the LMFT Committee on Licensure/Supervision Report. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Marriage and Family Therapy Advisory Committee Report: K Tyner, F Nash, A Hays, M Reynaud

K Tyner presents recap of the MFTAC meeting. Committee had discussion with LAMFT about advocacy efforts and increasing membership, and interest in the profession. Committee has developed sub-committee for the review of applications. Moving forward, two members of the committee will review applications as needed. E Johns motions to accept the Marriage and

Family Therapy Advisory Committee Report. N Pierce seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Rules Committee

J Doming presented the final rules that were published in the June 20, 2023, Louisiana Register. J Doming presented the updated Declaration of Practices and Procedures Policy Statement. K Tyner motions to accept the rules committee report. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Recess 12:52 PM

Reconvene 1:00pm

Committee on Professional Assistance Program Report: E Airhia, L Fazio-Griffith, C Butler

L Fazio-Griffith presented the Committee on Professional Assistance Program Report. Committee currently has six licensees under monitoring with a MOU and one additional MOU being drafted for new participant. N Pierce motions to accept the Committee on Professional Assistance Program Report. A Hays Seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Committee on Budget Report: N Pierce, R Salgado, J Doming

J Doming presented the May 2023 Financial Report. N Pierce motions to accept the Committee on Budget Report. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Deputy Director Report: R Lundin

Presented by R Lundin

Annual Property Inventory Certification; PAP Work: PAP meeting, Correspondence with PAP participants and Assurance Recovery Monitoring; Licensure Committee Meetings; Notice of Intent to Deny Letters and Licensure Hearing Preparation; Reviewed Rapsheets received; Discipline notification letters for licensees with unreported charges; HR work for Civil Service; Staff Payroll; Expense Reports; E-Newsletter- LPC renewal reminders; General Licensee Correspondence via email and phone calls; Staff Support.

K Tyner motions to accept the Deputy Director Report. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

Executive Director Report: J Doming

Presented by J Doming

Discipline Correspondence (NLs), Records and Meetings; Working with new attorney at BSW and updating disciplinary files; Submitted State Reports: Act 627, Risk exposure report, Accounts Receivable quarterly report, Act 611; NBCC conference scheduling and presentation preparation; Personnel performance evaluations and reviewing processes; Closing out 22/23 FY files and preparing for the AFR; Preparing for weekly Counseling Compact Commission meetings; Office Staff Support; Financials: Lasers Reporting, Annual Financial Review (AFR requirements), Deposits, Accounts Payable, Authorize.net reporting/reconciliation.

K Tyner motions to accept the Executive Director Report. N Pierce seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

K Tyner motions to move to Executive Session. E Johns seconds. All in favor. No opposed. No public comments.

N Pierce motions to come out of the Executive Session. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

J Doming presents detailed market salary analysis for occupational licensing boards. Requests increase in compensation based on the performance evaluation and the market analysis. The committee agrees on a \$10,000 increase. L Fazio-Griffith motions to increase the salary by 11%. N Pierce seconds. All approve. No opposed. No public comments.

N Pierce motions to adjourn at 1:41pm. K Tyner seconds. All approve.

New Business

Next Board Meeting: Date/Time September 15th, 2023, at 12:00pm

LCA Conference October 8-10th, Baton Rouge Crowne Plaza, Board Update on Monday 9:40 a.m.