

MINUTES May 20, 2022
Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners
APPROVED

The meeting was called to order by R Salgado at 12:00 PM. N Pierce took the roll call and determined a quorum was present.

Members Present:

R Salgado
K Tyner
C Guillotte
E Airhia
N Pierce
A Hays
F Nash
K Hebert
E Johns
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Members Absent:

L Fazio-Griffith
J Mims

Guests Present:

J Raines
T Devillier
A Groves
L Kelley
D Freeman

Welcome new board member, Abby Hays, LMFT, LPC

Agenda:

K Tyner motions to amend agenda to move Committee on Disciplinary Affairs report before licensure hearings for applicants. K Hebert seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

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

R Salgado presents Committee on Disciplinary Affairs Report.

Unofficial Complaints Received since March 18, 2022:

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| 1. | 21/22-117 | HIPAA |
| 2. | 21/22-118 | Unprofessional Behavior |
| 3. | 21/22-127 | Unethical Behavior/Inappropriate Relationship |

4.	21/22-128	Unprofessional/Unethical Behavior
5.	21/22-130	Scope of Practice
6.	21/22-131	Unprofessional/Unethical Behavior
7.	21/22-133	Unethical Behavior
8.	21/22-135	Unprofessional Behavior/Confidentiality
9.	21/22-140	Unethical Behavior
10.	21/22-142	Unethical Behavior

Official Complaints Received since March 18, 2022:

1.	21/22-111	Unethical Behavior/Confidentiality
2.	21/22-112	HIPAA/Confidentiality
3.	21/22-113	Unprofessional Behavior
4.	21/22-114	Unethical Behavior
5.	21/22-115	Fraudulent Billing Practices
6.	21/22-116	Sexual Advances
7.	21/22-119	Fraudulent Billing Practices
8.	21/22-120	Fraudulent Billing Practices
9.	21/22-121	Unprofessional Behavior
10.	21/22-122	Practicing without a license
11.	21/22-123	No Information
12.	21/22-124	Complaint for Contractors Board
13.	21/22-125	Unethical Behavior
14.	21/22-126	Unethical Behavior
15.	21/22-129	Unethical Behavior
16.	21/22-132	Medicaid Fraud
17.	21/22-134	Unethical Behavior
18.	21/22-136	Unethical Behavior
19.	21/22-137	Unprofessional Behavior
20.	21/22-138	Unprofessional Behavior
21.	21/22-139	Sexual Harassment/Inappropriate Behavior
22.	21/22-141	Dual Relationship

Cases to Open:

1.	21/22-107	Unethical Conduct
2.	21/22-109	Unprofessional Conduct/Confidentiality
3.	21/22-110	Failure to Disclose*
4.	21/22-112	HIPAA/Confidentiality
5.	21/22-115	Fraudulent Billing Practices
6.	21/22-119	Fraudulent Billing Practices
7.	21/22-120	Fraudulent Billing Practices
8.	21/22-121	Unprofessional Conduct
9.	21/22-125	Unethical Behavior

10.	21/22-126	Unethical Behavior
11.	21/22-127	Unethical Behavior/Inappropriate Behavior
12.	21/22-128	Unprofessional/Unethical Behavior
13.	21/22-129	Unethical Behavior
14.	21/22-132	Medicaid Fraud
15.	21/22-133	Unethical Behavior
16.	21/22-134	Unethical Behavior

Cases to Close:

1.	21/22-101	Failure to Disclose
2.	21/22-102	Failure to Disclose
3.	21/22-108	Unprofessional Conduct

Complaints to Dismiss:

1.	21/22-111	Unethical Behavior/Confidentiality
2.	21/22-113	Unprofessional Behavior
3.	21/22-116	Sexual Advances
4.	21/22-117	HIPAA
5.	21/22-118	Unprofessional Behavior
6.	21/22-122	Practicing without a license
7.	21/22-123	No Information
8.	21/22-124	Complaint for Contractors Board
9.	21/22-130	Scope of Practice
10.	21/22-131	Unprofessional/Unethical Behavior
11.	21/22-137	Unprofessional Behavior
	21/22-138	Unprofessional Behavior

No questions or comments. N Pierce motions to accept the Committee on Disciplinary Affairs Report. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

Hearings:

LPC Licensure Hearings for Applicants Scheduled to Appear:

LaShawndria Kelley

Detrica Freeman

Valerie LeMott – not present

[See Court Reporter Minutes]

Recess

R Salgado motions to recess at 1:35pm.

R Salgado motions to reconvene at 1:48pm.

Board Meeting Minutes

N Pierce motions to accept the March 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 Raines presents Consent Agreement #21/22-21, #PLC8018.

No questions.

N Pierce motions to accept Consent Agreement. F Nash seconds. All in favor no opposed.

Reinstatement for #6343.

J Doming- Consent Agreement requirements have been fulfilled. Committee is requesting approval to reinstatement license. N Pierce motions to accept reinstatement. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

All in favor. No opposed.

No Comments.

Committee on Legislative Affairs Report: C Guillotte, J Mims, E Airhia, K Hebert, A Trogden

Presented by C Guillotte. Continuing to press for the compact.

J Doming- bill has been going through each committee with no opposition.

HB993- has been pulled from the table.

J Doming- the commission will be formed to write the rules/laws for the compact.

F Nash- counseling compact website mentions that a jurisprudence examination may be required.

F Nash- Against forming legislation that is already in the code of ethics in regard to HB993.

Home state license handles the discipline for counseling compact.

C Guillotte motions to accept the Committee on Legislative Affairs Report. F Nash seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

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

The LPC Committee on Licensure/Supervision/Appraisal Report presented by R Salgado:

Total Number of LPC Applications Reviewed:				
April 2022 & May 2022				
Application	April	May	Expedited	Total
LPC Application for Licensure	2	16	16	34
<i>33 Approved; 1 Incomplete</i>				
LPC Endorsement Application	4	5	1	10
<i>9 Approved; 1 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLPC Application (Section 1, 2, 3)	11	22	22	55
<i>49 Approved; 1 Incomplete; 5 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLPC Application: Section 1 Only	0	1	0	1
<i>0 Approved; 1 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLPC Application: Section 1 and 2 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLPC Application: Section 2 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLPC Application: Section 2 and 3 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLPC Application: Section 3 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
LPC Supervisor Application	4	11	2	17
<i>16 Approved; 1 Intent to Deny</i>				
Appraisal Privilege	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLPC: Change/Add Supervisor	3	8	9	11
<i>11 Approved</i>				
PLPC Practice Setting Updates	47	27	0	74
<i>74 Approved</i>				
PLPC Audited Renewal Approvals				0
PLPC Standard Renewal Approvals				0
LPC Audited Renewal Approvals				82
LPC Standard Renewal Approvals				376
Telehealth Approvals				79
Total LPC Applications Reviewed	71	90	41	739
<i>Expedited: Totals from Approvals from 3/16/2022-5/18/2022</i>				

Committee on Licensure/Supervision- LMFT: C Guillotte, R Cathey, K Tyner, F Nash

The LMFT Committee on Licensure/Supervision/Appraisal Report presented by C Guillotte:

Total Number of LMFT Applications Reviewed:				
April 2022 & May 2022				
Application	April	May	Expedited	Total
LMFT Application for Licensure	1	0	1	2
<i>2 Approved</i>				
LMFT Endorsement Application	1	1	2	4
<i>3 Approved; 1 Intent to Deny</i>				
PLMFT Application (Section 1, 2, 3)	0	3	1	4
<i>4 Approved</i>				
PLMFT Application: Section 1 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLMFT Application: Section 2 and 3 Only	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLMFT: Change/Add Supervisor	0	0	0	0
<i>NA</i>				
PLMFT Practice Setting Updates	2	1	0	3
<i>3 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				2
LMFT Standard Renewal Approvals				0
Total LMFT Applications Reviewed	4	6	4	16
<i>Expedited: Totals from Approvals from 3/16/2022-5/18/2022</i>				

Discussion on the new edition of the DSM. R Salgado, University of Holy Cross will offer training on the DSM 5TR but will not be requiring students to complete an additional 3 semester hours course.

No public comments. E Airhia motions to accept the Committee on Licensure/Supervision-LMFT. K Tyner seconds. All in favor. No opposed.

Marriage and Family Therapy Advisory Committee Report: R Cathey, C Guillotte, K Tyner, F Nash

Presented by K Tyner. MFTAC met with Dr. Tom Caffery who is the new liaison from LAMFT. Discussed HB and compact for LMFTs. Plan to introduce that in the next legislative session. There are a lot of things LAMFT is trying to figure out but moving in positive direction. Dr.

Caffery expressed concern with becoming a LMFT-Supervisor and potential for reducing the requirements. MFACT is not interested in pursuing that at this time and not in line with protecting the public. No questions. C Guillotte motions to accept the Marriage and Family Therapy Advisory Committee Report. All in favor. No opposed.

Committee on Professional Assistance Program Report: E Airhia, L Fazio-Griffith, R Cathey

Presented by E Airhia. PAP has not had anything in the past several months. Currently have 5 active cases and possibly adding 1. PAP is requesting new committee member. Currently need to fill 3 roles for Rules, PAP, and Personnel.

R Salgado nominates C Guillotte for PAP. F Nash seconds. C Guillotte accepts. All in favor. No opposed.

R Salgado nominates A Hays for Rules Committee. All accept. No opposed.

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

Presented by J Doming. Amend budget for current and next fiscal year.

N Pierce motions to accept the Committee on Budget Report. C Guillotte seconds. All in favor. No Opposed.

Executive Director Report: J Doming

*Paperwork and ordering of board meeting iPads, setting up of units, prepping unit for board meeting; **Committee meetings** (Discipline and Licensure Committee); **Board contracts** and required documentation submitted to the state for approval (contract, board resolution, certification letter, budget worksheets, cover letter, resume, employee tax documentation, justification letter); **Fingerprint tracking** on spreadsheets and database, correspondence, calls, emails regarding receipt of fingerprints, **reviewing Rap Sheets** and proper disposal and storage of records; Creating online **dashboard update once fingerprint is received**, designing **custom report for fingerprint tracking**; Legislation re: **counseling compact** and meetings with other EDs re: bills that will affect administrative procedures; New contract for **electronic scanning and indexing**: prep work for state required documents and paperwork; prepping spreadsheets for scanning and documenting files, transferring and downloading files to organize within the custom management system; Licensee **Correspondence** via email and phone calls Submitted 5 State Reports; Board **email processing** and follow up with staff; Staff **training and support** Board Meeting Preparation and documentation; Licensure hearing preparation Financials and Deposits; Discipline and PAP Work; **Notification Letters** and reviewing Response Letters; Correspondence w/Jim Raines; Reviewed Multiple Cases; Correspondence with PAP participants and Assurance Monitoring*

Old Business

Tier 2.1 Annual Financial Statements past due **May 15th, 2022**

New Business

Next Board Meeting Date/Time: July 15th, 2022, at 12:00PM

E Airhia mentions SB -213; Pertains to Mental Health Rehabilitation. Trying to reduce the number of services being performed. Bachelor's degree only being able to do PSR. Shortage of staff in mental health rehab agencies.

F Nash consequence of bill is to increase the rate for CPST.

Board and staff pictures and biographies for website. At next board meeting.

Tyner motions to Adjourn. E Airhia seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourns at 2:48pm