**MINUTES May 17, 2019**

**LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS BOARD OF EXAMINERS**

APPROVED

The meeting was called to order by K Steele at 12:30 PM. N Peirce calls roll and determines a quorum is present.

**Members Present**: **Members Absent**:

C Guillotte J Cortez

L Fazio-Griffith **Staff Present**:

K Steele J Doming

R Cathey R Lundin

J Mims **Guests Present:**

N Pierce J Raines

R Salgado M Feduccia

J Cortez

K Tyner

E Airhia

D Mayeux

**Agenda**

K Steele asks to approve the agenda. J Mims approves. R Salgado seconds. All approved; no abstentions.

**Board Meeting Minutes**

K Steele asks for a motion to approve the March Board Meeting minutes. E Airhia asks to correct and change DHH to LDH. L Fazio-Griffith motions to approve with the change. N Pierce seconds. All approved; no abstentions.

**Committee on Legislative Affairs Report-C Guillotte, E Airhia, J Mims, J Doming, M Feduccia**

M Feduccia reports LCA is tracking 15 bills, none of these initiated by LCA, but several affect school counselors. May 9th was LCA day at the Capitol. Licensees were offered 1 CEH to attend and learn about working with legislators and representatives. SB 187 is being lobbied against by LCA. E Airhia speaks about a mental health forum he is a part of that is working to redefine PSR and CPST. He mentions this is an important group to be involved with and asks for more involvement from the LPCBE. K Steele asks for support from the board. J Mims and N Pierce offer to be a part of this group and attend meetings. E Airhia will reach out to them to provide information. M Feduccia states art therapists want to pursue licensure under the LPCBE. J Doming has received emails from the director. Board discusses and decides this should remain a specialty area, and does not want to pursue a separate license for art therapists. J Mims will have the licensure committee write a position statement on specialty areas such as art therapy to propose to the LPCBE at the next meeting.

K Steele asks for public comments. No comments.

**Committee on Disciplinary Affairs Report- K Steele, N Pierce, R Salgado, K Tyner,J Doming, J Raines**

J Raines presents Consent Agreement 17/18-73, Radecker, LPC #4846

Board discusses needing more rules regarding supervision. Rules committee will discuss. C Guillotte mentions a jurisprudence exam and discusses the different requirements to become a LMFT-S and LPC-S.

C Guillotte motions to accept the consent agreement. K Tyner seconds. All approve.

K Steele asks for public comments. No comments.

K Steele present the Disciplinary Affairs Committee Report:

**Unofficial Complaints Received since March 15, 2019:**

1. 18/19-58: CCE
2. 18/19-59: Unethical Conduct; Unprofessional Conduct
3. 18/19-62: Failure of Notification\*
4. 18/19-64: Failure of Notification; Unprofessional Conduct; Illegal Conduct\*
5. 18/19-66: Unlawful Practice\*
6. 18/19-68: Unlawful Practice\*
7. 18/19-70: Fraud\*
8. 18/19-71: Fraud\*
9. 18/19-78: Unethical Conduct

**Official Complaints Received since March 15, 2019:**

1. 18/19-60: Unethical Conduct
2. 18/19-61: Dual Relationship
3. 18/19-63: CCE
4. 18/19-65: Unlawful Representation
5. 18/19-67: Unprofessional Conduct
6. 18/19-69: Patients Parents Cannot See Grandparents
7. 18/19-72: Unlawful Practice
8. 18/19-73: Unlawful Practice
9. 18/19-74: Unprofessional Conduct
10. 18/19-75: CCE
11. 18/19-76: Unprofessional Conduct
12. 18/19-77: Fraud
13. 18/19-79: Unethical Conduct

**Cases to Open:**

1. 18/19-58: CCE
2. 18/19-60: Unethical Conduct
3. 18/19-61: Dual Relationship
4. 18/19-62: Failure of Notification\*
5. 18/19-63: CCE
6. 18/19-64: Failure of Notification; Unprofessional Conduct; Illegal Conduct\*
7. 18/19-65: Unlawful Representation
8. 18/19-66: Unlawful Practice\*
9. 18/19-67: Unprofessional Conduct
10. 18/19-68: Unlawful Practice\*
11. 18/19-69: Patients Parents Cannot See Grandparents
12. 18/19-70: Fraud\*
13. 18/19-71: Fraud\*
14. 18/19-72: Unlawful Practice
15. 18/19-73: Unlawful Practice
16. 18/19-74: Unprofessional Conduct
17. 18/19-75: CCE
18. 18/19-77: Fraud
19. 18/19-78: Unethical Conduct
20. 18/19-79: Unethical Conduct

**Cases to Close:**

1. 18/19-39: Unethical Conduct
2. 18/19-44: Illegal Substances
3. 18/19-52: Sexual Misconduct

**Complaints to Dismiss:**

1. 18/19-59: Unethical Conduct; Unprofessional Conduct
2. 18/19-76: Unprofessional Conduct

**TOTAL OPEN CASES TO DATE: 49**

\*Board-Initiated

K Steele asks for public comments. No comments.

K Steele motions to approve. N. Pierce seconds. All in favor; no abstentions.

**Committee on Licensure/Supervision/Appraisal –LPC J Mims, J Cortez, L Fazio-Griffith**

J Mims presents licensure report. The data includes those practice settings and expedited applications approved each month by Board Staff.



K Steele asks for public comments. No comments.

J Mims motions to approve the report. All approve.

**Committee on Licensure/Supervision/Appraisal –LMFT- C Guillotte, K Tyner, R Cathey, K Steele**

C Guillotte presents licensure numbers:



K Steele asks for public comments. No comments.

C Guillotte motions to approve the report. All approve.

**Marriage and Family Therapy Advisory Committee Report: R Cathey, K Steele, K Tyner, C Guillotte**

MFTAC is reviewing the number of LMFT-Supervisors and where they are located, as there have been some complaints there are not enough supervisors for provisional licensees. Initial review shows over 50 active supervisors spread out over the state and many dually licensed supervisors. Discussion on CACREP standard of 60 hour degree from accredited university. Discussion on clarifying to graduate students they can become dually licensed as PLPC and PLMFT through some additional coursework.

K Steele asks for public comments. No comments.

R Cathey motions to accept the report. All approved; no abstentions.

**Committee on Correspondence Report:** N Pierce, K Steele, J Doming

M Feduccia reads a letter from licensee regarding the requirement for synchronous teletherapy training. J Doming reads letter from TalkSpace regarding teletherapy provided on a HIPAA compliant platform.

J Mims will have the rules committee review the rule. K Steele mentions there are no audits for teletherapy certificates until the next renewal cycle. The attorney will respond to TalkSpace; the LPCBE permits HIPAA compliant platforms to be used for asynchronous communication between licensee and client. The committee will review with the attorney a rule revision for clarification purposes. All certificates for teletherapy will be accepted that are previous to rule promulgation.

Recess at 1:59pm

K Steele motions to reconvene at 2:15pm, C Guillotte seconds. All approve.

**Committee on Professional Assistance Program (PAP): R Cathey, E Airhia, L Fazio-Griffith**

R Cathey presents PAP report. One new participant entering the program. The participant is required to have an evaluation within two weeks. Once the evaluation is received the MOU will be issued for a signature. E Airhia says that moving forward the committee will meet with new participants before they enter the program. R Cathey motions to approve the report. All approved; no abstentions.

K Steele asks for public comments. No comments.

**Committee on Rules- J Mims, J Cortez, K Steele, D Mayeux, J Doming**

J Doming presents report. Chapter 5, 503 in May register as Potpourri item, Chapter 31 and 33 NOI published and open to comments from the public.

K Steele asks for comments from the public. No comments.

J Mims motions to approve the report. All approve; no abstentions.

**Committee on Personnel Report: K Steele, D Mayeux, R Cathey**

J Doming has hired S McBride as the new discipline assistant. McBride will fill in the credential specialist role when R Lundin is out on maternity leave.

K Steele asks for public comments. No public comments.

**Financial Report(s) – J Doming**

J Doming presents the March financial report. There is a net excess for the first 9 months of the fiscal year.

N Pierce motions to accept the financials. E Airhia seconds. All approved; no abstentions.

**Executive Director Report – J Doming**

J Doming presents the Executive Director Report. All state required reports have been submitted. All vendor contracts for the new fiscal year have been submitted. The board will be relocating on July 1, 2019 to 11410 Lake Sherwood Ave. North, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

**New Business – K Steele, J Doming**

Next board meeting is July 19, 2019 at 12:30PM

**Closing**

E Airhia motions to adjourn. R Salgado seconds. All approved; no abstentions.

Adjourn meeting at 3:08PM.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Jamie S. Doming, Executive Director