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BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES January 15, 2021

Members Present: Patricia Dobratz

Members Present

Kimberly Bailey, Mary Coonrod, Cedric Davis, Meaghan Kramer, Heidi Quinlan,

telephonically: Mark Shen, Gerald Szymanski, Antwan Trotter

Members Absent: Robert Charles, Leanette Henagan, Kasondra Parr

Staff Present: Tobi Zavala, Executive Director; Donna Dalton, Deputy Director; Ian Hirmand,

Assistant Director

Staff Present telephonically

Mona Baskin, A.A.G., Carrie Smith, A.A.G.

1. Call to Order

A telephonic meeting of the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners was called to order on January 15, 2021 at 9:03 a.m. with Ms. Dobratz presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Minutes: review, consideration and action

A. December 11, 2020, telephonic general meeting minutes

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to approve the telephonic general meeting minutes for the December 11, 2020 meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Consent Agenda: review, consideration and action

- A. Cases recommended for dismissal
 - 1. 2020-0110, 2020-0154, Cara Jones, LCSW-16772
 - 2. 2021-0006, Tara Nolan, LCSW-10372 (active-restricted)
 - 3. 2020-0143, Kimberly Page, LCSW-17302 (suspended)
 - 4. 2020-0144, Albin Polonyi, LAC-18941
 - 5. 2021-0054, Madison Rhodes, LPC-10276

Following discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Quinlan, to approve the consent agenda items 4(A)(1-2, 4-5). The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to amend the previous motion to approve the consent agenda items 4(A)(1, 2 and 4). The motion passed unanimously.

3. 2020-0143, Kimberly Page, LCSW-17302 (suspended)

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

The professional and her attorney, Flynn Carey, appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to dismiss the complaint. The motion passed unanimously.

5. 2021-0054, Madison Rhodes, LPC-10276

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Quinlan moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to dismiss the complaint. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Cases recommended for dismissal with a letter of concern.

N/A

- C. Cases recommended for release from consent agreements.
 - 1. 2020-0104, Lori Haas, LCSW-3460 (active-restricted)
 - 2. 2019-0121, Daniel Krepps, LPC-16165 (active-restricted), LISAC-15073 (active-restricted)
 - 3. 2020-0081, Ashlie Larriva, LAC-18704
 - 4. 2020-0043, Drew Pease, LMFT-15257 (active-restricted)

Following discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to approve the consent agenda item 4(C). The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Cases recommended for opening a complaint and acceptance of a proposed signed non-disciplinary consent agreement.
 - 1. John Hinson, LPC-12000

Following discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Quinlan, to approve the consent agenda item 4(D). The motion passed unanimously.

E. Cases recommended for opening a complaint and dismissing with a letter of concern.

N/A

F. Cases recommended for acceptance of a proposed signed consent agreement.

N/A

- G. Cases recommended for acceptance of a proposed signed non-disciplinary consent agreement.
 - 1. 2021-0003, Tawny Bill, LAC-16427

Following discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Quinlan, to approve the consent agenda item 4(G). The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Dobratz recused.

5. Administrative Hearings

Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-3253(A)(10) and 41-1092.07, the Board will conduct administrative hearings in the following matter(s). During the administrative hearing, the Board may go into executive session to discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

A. 2021-0079, Lorraine Land, LPC-18574 (interim suspension)

Ms. Zavala summarized the professional's request for a continuance of the January 26, 2021 formal hearing.

Mona Baskin, A.A.G., appeared telephonically on behalf of the state.

Ms. Baskin stated that she did not oppose a one-time 30-day continuance of the formal hearing.

The professional's attorney, Michael Goldberg, appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Carrie Smith, A.A.G. appeared telephonically and was available to provide independent legal advice.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Quinlan, to grant a 30-day continuance of the January 26, 2021 formal hearing.

B. 2021-0079, Lorraine Land, LPC-18574 (interim suspension) Tabled.

The Board took a break at 10:15 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:27 a.m.

6. Formal Interviews

N/A

7. Complaints and other disciplinary matters: review, consideration and action

A. Jules Bailon, LASAC-15080

Ms. Zavala summarized the proposed signed interim consent agreement.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Trotter moved, seconded by Ms. Kramer, to open a complaint and accept the proposed, signed interim consent agreement as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

	Kimberly Bailey	Robert Charles	Mary Coonrod	Cedric Davis	Patricia Dobratz	Leanette Henagan	Meaghan Kramer	Kasondra Parr	Heidi Quinlan	Mark Shen	Gerald Szymanski	Antwan Trotter
AYE	X		X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X
NAY												
Absent		X				X		X				

B. 2021-0058, Tammy Brewer, LPC-16724

Mr. Hirmand summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to find the following violation:

- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(k), engaging in any conduct or practice that is contrary to recognized standards of ethics in the behavioral health profession or that constitutes a danger to the health, welfare or safety of a client as it relates to the following section of the ACA Code of Ethics:
 - o A.10.a Self-Referral
 - o D.1.g Employer Policies
 - o A.6.a Previous Relationships

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional's license shall be placed on probation for 12 months
- The professional shall complete pre-approved continuing education including:
 - o 3 clock hours in coordination of care and terminating clients
 - o 3 clock hours in boundaries and dual relationships
- The professional shall complete 6 clock hours of the NASW Staying Out of Trouble course or its pre-approved equivalent

and if not signed, to invite the professional to participate in a formal interview and, if not accepted to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

	Kimberly	Robert	Mary	Cedric	Patricia	Leanette	Meaghan	Kasondra	Heidi	Mark	Gerald	Antwan
	Bailey	Charles	Coonrod	Davis	Dobratz	Henagan	Kramer	Parr	Quinlan	Shen	Szymanski	Trotter
AYE	X		X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X
NAY												
Absent		X				X		X				

C. 2021-0063, Erin Jones-Cunningham, LMSW-16979

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to find the following violation:

• A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(k), engaging in any conduct or practice that is contrary to recognized standards of ethics in the behavioral health profession or that constitutes a danger to the health, welfare or safety of a client as it relates to the following section of the NASW Code of Ethics:

o 1.06(c) – Conflicts of Interest

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Dobratz recused.

Following further discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional's license shall be placed on probation for 12 months
- The professional shall complete 6 clock hours of pre-approved continuing education in behavioral health ethics
- The professional shall complete 6 clock hours of the NASW Staying Out of Trouble course or its pre-approved equivalent

and if not signed, to invite the professional to participate in a formal interview and, if not accepted to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion carried with Ms. Bailey opposed. Ms. Dobratz recused.

	Kimberly Bailey	Robert Charles	Mary Coonrod	Cedric Davis	Patricia Dobratz	Leanette Henagan	Meaghan Kramer	Kasondra Parr	Heidi Ouinlan	Mark Shen	Gerald Szymanski	Antwan Trotter
AYE	ĺ		X	X			X		X	X	X	X
NAY	X											
Absent		X			recuse	X		X				

D. 2021-0043, Addie DiRoberts, LPC-17476

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The professional and her attorney, Bretton Barber, appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to offer the professional a non-disciplinary consent agreement for completion of 3 clock hours of pre-approved continuing education in coordination of care and if not signed, to invite the professional to participate in a formal interview and, if not accepted to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

E. 2021-0013, Carol Farmer, LPC-18275

Mr. Hirmand summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to find the following violations:

- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(s), terminating behavioral health services to a client without making an appropriate referral for continuation of care for the client if continuing behavioral health services are indicated
- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(p), failing to conform to minimum practice standards as developed by the board as it relates to:
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1101, Consent for Treatment
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1103, Client Record
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1106, Telepractice
- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(kk), failing to make client records in the licensee's possession promptly available to the client, a minor client's parent, the client's legal guardian or the client's authorized representative on receipt of proper authorization to do so from the client, a minor client's parent, the client's legal guardian or the client's authorized representative

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional's license shall be placed on probation for 12 months
- The professional shall complete pre-approved continuing education including:
 - o 6 clock hours in high conflict families
 - o 3 clock hours in telehealth
 - o 3 clock hours in documentation
- The professional shall receive clinical supervision once monthly from a pre-approved independently licensed behavioral health professional
- Clinical supervision shall focus on working with family cases and documentation

and if not signed, to invite the professional to participate in a formal interview and, if not accepted to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

	Kimberly	Robert	Mary	Cedric	Patricia	Leanette	Meaghan	Kasondra	Heidi	Mark	Gerald	Antwan
	Bailey	Charles	Coonrod	Davis	Dobratz	Henagan	Kramer	Parr	Quinlan	Shen	Szymanski	Trotter
AYE	X		X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X
NAY												
Absent		X				X		X				

F. 2021-0048, Shannon Fore, LPC-16320

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

The professional and her attorney, John Ager, appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Dobratz moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to find the following violation:

- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(p), failing to conform to minimum practice standards as developed by the board as it relates to:
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1101, Consent for Treatment
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1102, Treatment Plan
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1106, Telepractice

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Quinlan recused.

Following further discussion, Ms. Dobratz moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional's license shall be placed on probation for 12 months
- The professional shall complete pre-approved continuing education including:
 - o 6 clock hours in ethics and family law
 - o 3 clock hours in clinical documentation
- The professional shall complete 6 clock hours of the NASW Staying Out of Trouble course or its pre-approved equivalent

and if not signed, to invite the professional to participate in a formal interview and, if not accepted to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Quinlan recused.

	Kimberly Bailey	Robert Charles	Mary Coonrod	Cedric Davis	Patricia Dobratz	Leanette Henagan	Meaghan Kramer	Kasondra Parr	Heidi Quinlan	Mark Shen	Gerald Szymanski	Antwan Trotter
AYE	X		X	X	X		X			X	X	X
NAY												
Absent		X				X		X	recuse			

G. 2020-0137, Kerry Martin-Doehring, LMFT-15410

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

The professional and her attorney, Mandi Karvis, appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Quinlan moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to find the following violations:

- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(t), disclosing a professional confidence or privileged communication except as may otherwise be required by law or permitted by a legally valid written release
- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(p), failing to conform to minimum practice standards as developed by the board as it relates to:
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1102, Treatment Plan
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1103, Client Record

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Ms. Quinlan moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional's license shall be placed on probation for 12 months
- The professional shall complete pre-approved continuing education including:
 - o 3 clock hours in telehealth
 - o 3 clock hours in HIPAA compliance
- The professional shall complete 6 clock hours of the NASW Staying Out of Trouble course or its pre-approved equivalent
- The professional shall receive clinical supervision twice monthly from a pre-approved independently licensed behavioral health professional for six months and after that at the recommendation of the clinical supervisor
- Clinical supervision shall focus on time management, organization skills, documentation and Board statutes and rules

and if not signed, to invite the professional to participate in a formal interview and, if not accepted to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

	Kimberly	Robert	Mary	Cedric	Patricia	Leanette	Meaghan	Kasondra	Heidi	Mark	Gerald	Antwan
	Bailey	Charles	Coonrod	Davis	Dobratz	Henagan	Kramer	Parr	Quinlan	Shen	Szymanski	Trotter
AYE	X		X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X
NAY												
Absent		X				X		X				

H. 2020-0072, 2020-0103, Christine McGuire, LAC-15517 (interim suspension)

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The professional and her attorney, Kathleen Lambert, appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Szymanski moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to order the professional to get a comprehensive psychological evaluation with a pre-approved licensed Psychologist and a comprehensive substance use evaluation with a pre-approved licensed Addictionologist. The motion passed unanimously.

I. 2021-0022, Terryl Moe, LCSW-3780

Ms. Zavala summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Ms. Coonrod, to find the following violations:

- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(1), engaging in any conduct, practice or condition that impairs the ability of the licensee to safely and competently practice the licensee's profession
- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(k), engaging in any conduct or practice that is contrary to recognized standards of ethics in the behavioral health profession or that constitutes a danger to the health, welfare or safety of a client as it relates to the following section of the NASW Code of Ethics:
 - o 1.17(b)(e) and (f) Termination of Services

- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(ii), violating any federal or state law, rule or regulation applicable to the practice of behavioral health as it relates to:
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-205, Change of Contact Information
- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(p), failing to conform to minimum practice standards as developed by the board as it relates to:
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1101, Consent for Treatment
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1103, Client Records
 - o A.A.C. R4-6-1106, Telepractice

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to offer the professional a consent agreement for the professional's agreement not to practice and not to renew their license or reapply for a period of 5 years, and if not signed, to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

	Kimberly	Robert	Mary	Cedric	Patricia	Leanette	Meaghan	Kasondra	Heidi	Mark	Gerald	Antwan
	Bailey	Charles	Coonrod	Davis	Dobratz	Henagan	Kramer	Parr	Quinlan	Shen	Szymanski	Trotter
AYE	X		X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X
NAY												
Absent		X				X		X				

The Board took a break at 11:55 p.m., reconvening its public meeting at 12:06 p.m.

8. Assistant Attorney General's Report: Mona Baskin, A.A.G.

N/A

9. Temporary licenses: review, consideration and action

N/A

10. Applications for licensure and educational programs: review, consideration and action

A. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding applications for licensure Social Work

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to deny 5 applications based on a failure to pass the required examination, 3 applications based on a failure to take the required examination and 1 application based on a failure to meet minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Substance Abuse

Mr. Szymanski moved, seconded by Ms. Quinlan, to deny 1 application based on a failure to take the required examination and 2 applications based on a failure to pass the required examination. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding applications for educational programs

N/A

11. Report from Chair

A. Summary of current events No Report.

12. Report from the Treasurer

A. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding December financial report
Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to accept the
December financial report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. Discussion regarding all licensee email

Ms. Zavala informed members that an email was sent to all licensees to update them regarding the new rules, form changes and website improvements.

B. Discussion regarding prior Board actions

Ms. Zavala reminded members that pursuant A.A.C. R4-6-1001(B) when determining the degree of discipline, the members may consider certain factors including, but not limited to, prior disciplinary offenses.

C. Discussion regarding non-disciplinary consent agreements

Ms. Zavala reminded members that non-disciplinary consent agreements are offered requiring the licensee to complete a prescribed number of hours of continuing education in an area or areas prescribed by the Board to provide the licensee with the necessary understanding of current developments, skills, procedures or treatment.

D. Discussion regarding indirect hours

Ms. Zavala informed members that there has been discussion in regards to possible legislation to eliminate indirect hours.

14. Request for extension of inactive status: review, consideration and action

A. Bright Eze, LISAC-11797 (inactive)

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to deny the request for extension of inactive status. The motion passed unanimously.

15. Future agenda items

None.

16. Call for public comment

None.

17. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 12, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., at 1740 W. Adams St., Board Room C.

18. Adjournment

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Cedric E Davis, LCSW

Cedric E Davis, LCSW (Apr 10, 2021 07:46 PDT)

Cedric Davis

Apr 10, 2021

Date

Secretary/Treasurer

Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners Licenses recommended for denial - January 15, 2021 meeting

SOCIAL WORK - 9

Failure to pass the required exam - 5

Diana Baum

Karina Brungardt

Yvonne Giordano

Robert Besst

Ramona Johnson

Failure to take the required exam - 3

Pamela Fletcher

Freda Gittens

Christina Hernandez

Failure to meet minimum requirements - 1

Maureen Stepanek

SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING - 4

Failure to pass the required exam - 3

Ayana DeJesus

Gloriana Woodie

Theresa Begley

Failure to take the required exam - 1

Rolanda Bolden