

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

Full Board Meeting
Friday, October 24, 2014, 10:00 a.m.
Texas Tech University
College of Education Bldg
3008 18th Street, Rm. 001
Lubbock, Texas 79409

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Glynda Corley, Professional Member
Karen Burke, Professional Member
Lauren Dreszer, Public Member
Leslie Pohl, Public Member
Steven Christopherson, Professional Member
Brandy Buckner, Professional Member
Sarah Abraham, Public Member

Board Members Absent:

Hoc Nguyen, Public Member
Efrain Avila, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Bobbe Alexander
Georgia Norman
Elaine Snow

Guests Present:

Jan Friese	Staci Rocha	Joanne Christian
Tara Warner	Pinky Ali	Kim Hatley
Charles Crews	Terri Key	Nicole Poulsen
Lou Bradley	Kristin Sellers	Derek Robertson
Bret Hendricks	Wendy Risner	Kristina Lusk
Denise Guillory	Peter Miller	Mary Ann Gorden

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 10:33 am by Ms. Corley, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was the introduction of members, staff and guests.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion concerning board members who are inexcusably absent from regularly scheduled board meetings, as defined under Texas Occupations Code Section 503.107(a)(5). A motion was made by Mr. Christopherson to not excuse Mr. Nguyen. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion concerning the approval of minutes from the June 27, 2014 board meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Buckner to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 5 was public comment. Two people addressed the board.

Agenda Item 6 was the Board Chair report and update concerning current challenges and accomplishments; interaction with stakeholders, state officials, and staff; committee appointments and functions; workload of board members; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the board. Ms. Corley gave the report.

Agenda Item 7 was the Executive Director's report concerning program operations; customer service accomplishments, and challenges; current and/or historical licensee statistics; media, legislative, and stakeholder contacts and concerns; workload processing; special projects assigned to executive director; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the licensure program. Ms. Alexander gave the report.

Agenda Item 8 was the Management report and update from the DSHS Professional Licensing and Certification Unit, including unit organization and staffing; program costs and revenue; current operational initiatives; customer service accomplishments and challenges; workload processing and statistical information; status of rulemaking within the unit; legislative and media contacts and tracking; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the unit. No report was given.

Agenda Item 9 was the discussion concerning licensee C.H. A motion was made by Dr. Buckner to accept. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 10 was the discussion concerning licensee Y.H. A motion was made by Ms. Burke to accept. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 11 was the discussion concerning licensee C.R. A motion was made by Dr. Buckner to accept. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 12 was the discussion concerning licensee I.H. A motion was made by Mr. Christopherson to accept. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 13 was the discussion concerning professional counseling license records audits performed by Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff. Ms. Alexander gave the report.

Agenda Item 14 was the discussion regarding changes to eligibility requirements to take the National Counselor Exam given by the National Board of Certified Counselors

Agenda Item 15 was the discussion concerning the following committee reports:

Dr. Buckner gave the Applications Committee report. The committee reviewed 21 applications, of which 14 cases were approved, 5 cases were denied and 2 cases were tabled. A motion was made by Mr. Christopherson to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ms. Burke gave the Supervision Committee report. The committee reviewed 12 cases, of which 12 cases were closed with conditional letters of agreement with stipulations. A motion was made by Ms. Corley to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ms. Pohl gave the Professional and Regulatory Trends Committee report. A motion was made by Mr. Christopherson to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ms. Corley gave the Complaints Committee report. The committee reviewed 24 cases, of which 15 cases were closed, 8 cases were proposed for disciplinary action and 1 case was tabled. A motion was made by Ms. Burke to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Christopherson gave the Rules Committee report. A motion was made by Mr. Christopherson to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 16 was the discussion regarding public comments on the proposed rules, Title 22 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 681, concerning the licensure and regulation of professional counselors, as published in the July 11, 2014 issue of the *Texas Register* (39 TexReg 5280).

Agenda Item 17 was the discussion regarding adoption of the proposed rules, Title 22 TAC, Chapter 681, concerning the licensure and regulation of professional counselors, as published in the July 11, 2014 issue of the *Texas Register* (39 TexReg 5280). A motion was made by Mr. Christopherson to approve as amended. The motion was seconded and passed.

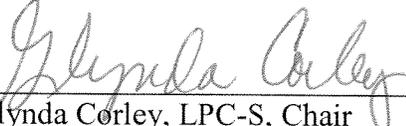
Agenda Item 18 was the update from Texas Counseling Association's liaison regarding issues affecting License Counselors in Texas. Ms. Hatley gave the report.

Agenda Item 19 was the discussion of future priorities and activities of the board.

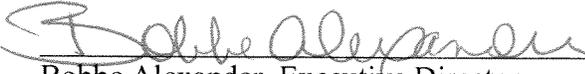
Agenda Item 20 was announcements

Agenda Item 21 was the setting of next meeting date and location. The next meeting date will be determined at a later date.

Agenda Item 22 was adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.



Glynda Corley, LPC-S, Chair



Bobbe Alexander, Executive Director



Date



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