

## STATE OF ARIZONA BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS 1740 WEST ADAMS STREET, SUITE 3600

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# BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2021

Members Present: Kimberly Bailey, Robert Charles, Mary Coonrod, Cedric Davis, Patricia Dobratz, Kasondra Parr,

Mark Shen, Antwan Trotter

Members Absent: Meaghan Kramer, Heidi Quinlan, Gerald Szymanski, Leanette Henagan

Staff Present: Mona Baskin, A.A.G., Tobi Zavala, Executive Director; Erin Yabu, Deputy Director; Ian Hirmand,

Assistant Director; Alissa Vander Veen, Operations Manager

#### 1. Call to Order

A meeting of the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners was called to order on September 10, 2021 at 9:01 a.m. with Ms. Dobratz presiding.

#### 2. Roll Call

See above.

#### 3. Minutes: review, consideration and action

A. August 13, 2021, general meeting minutes
Tabled due to lack of quorum of members to vote.

#### 4. Consent Agenda: review, consideration and action

A. Cases recommended for dismissal

- 1. 2021-0125, Tara Catanzaro, LPC-19622
- 2. 2021-0094, Kathleen Miholich, LCSW-0762
- 3. 2021-0102, Kristen Pulver, LASAC-15217

Following discussion, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Parr, to approve the consent agenda items 4(A)(1, 3). The motion passed unanimously.

2. 2021-0094. Kathleen Miholich. LCSW-0762

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

The complainant appeared and addressed the Board.

The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

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

- B. Cases recommended for dismissal with a letter of concern.
  - 1. 2021-0109, Tawny Bill, LAC-16427
  - 2. 2021-0153. Shonne Keal. LASAC-15378

- 3. 2021-0105, Donald Linville, LMSW-17542
- 4. 2021-0087, Janet Walker, LISAC-1507, LPC-13022

Following discussion, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to approve the consent agenda item 4(B). The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Cases recommended for release from consent agreements.
  - 1. 2021-0063, Erin Jones-Cunningham, LMSW-16979 (active-restricted)

Following discussion, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, 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.

N/A

- E. Cases recommended for opening a complaint and acceptance of a proposed signed disciplinary consent agreement.
  - 1. Jessica Reid, LAC-18550

Following discussion, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to approve the consent agenda item 4(E). 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
NAY												
Absent						X	X		X		X	

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

N/A

- G. Cases recommended for acceptance of a proposed signed non-disciplinary consent agreement.
  - 1. 2022-0025, Trudy Johnson, LMFT-15646
  - 2. 2021-0151, Mercedes Cisneros-Watson, LPC-16315

Following discussion, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to approve the consent agenda item 4(G)(1). The motion passed unanimously.

2. 2021-0151, Mercedes Cisneros-Watson, LPC-16315

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

The complainant appeared and addressed the Board.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to accept the proposed signed non-disciplinary consent agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

# 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). N/A

#### 6. Formal Interviews

N/A

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

A. 2021-0039, Morgan Fechtel, LPC-19210

Mr. Hirmand summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

The professional appeared and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, 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)(b), using fraud or deceit in connection with rendering services as a licensee or in establishing qualifications pursuant to this chapter

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further review, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional shall be placed on probation for 24 months
- The professional shall complete a pre-approved 3 semester credit hour graduate level course in behavioral health ethics
- The professional shall complete 6 clock hours each of pre-approved continuing education in:
  - o NASW Staying Out of Trouble course or its pre-approved equivalent
  - o Self-care and burnout
  - Telehealth
- The professional shall receive clinical supervision bimonthly from a pre-approved independently licensed behavioral health professional
- Clinical supervision shall focus on issues identified in the Board's report, documentation, Board rules and statutes, and insight

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 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		X	

B. 2022-0009, Charles Fenigstein, LISAC-11498

Ms. Zavala summarized the Board's investigation.

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

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to offer the professional an interim consent agreement not to practice and, if not signed in 14 days, to remand the matter to a formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to issue an order for the professional to submit to a 10-panel hair follicle drug test from a preapproved laboratory within 7 days pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3281(B). 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
NAY												
Absent						X	X		X		X	

## C. Meagan Foxx, LPC-13589, LISAC-11604

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Coonrod moved, seconded by Ms. Parr, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board took a break at 10:03 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:13 a.m.

#### D. Lloyd Gillum, LPC-0766

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Coonrod moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

#### E. 2021-0117, Corrine Harper, LPC-2098

Ms. Zavala summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared and addressed the Board.

The professional appeared telephonically and her attorney, Bradley Gardner, appeared in-person and addressed the Board.

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

- A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(m), engaging or offering to engage as a licensee in activities that are not congruent with the licensee's professional education, training or experience
- 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. R4-6-1103, Client Record
  - o A.A.C. R4-6-1106, Telepractice

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Ms. Parr 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 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		X	

# F. Samantha Higgins, LPC-16841

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Trotter moved, seconded by Ms. Parr, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

G. 2021-0106, Tina Johnson, LCSW-17813

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The complainant appeared and addressed the Board.

The professional and her attorney, Michael Ryan, appeared 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)(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 1.07(f) Privacy and Confidentiality
- 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. R4-6-1103, Client Record
  - o A.A.C. R4-6-1106, Telepractice

The motion passed unanimously.

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

- The professional shall be placed on probation for 12 months
- The professional shall complete 6 clock hours each of pre-approved continuing education in:
  - o NASW Staying Out of Trouble course or its pre-approved equivalent
  - Couples therapy
- The professional shall receive clinical supervision monthly from a pre-approved independently licensed behavioral health professional for 6 months
- Clinical supervision shall focus on documentation, Board rules and statutes, couples and family therapy, and an audit of the practice

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
NAY												
Absent						X	X		X		X	

H. 2022-0029, Lindsey Jones, LPC-15408 (active-restricted)

Ms. Zavala summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

The professional's attorney, Flynn Carey, appeared and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to accept the proposed signed consent agreement. 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
NAY												
Absent						X	X		X		X	

#### I. 2022-0028, Karlee McCue, LAC-18982

Ms. Zavala summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared and was available for questions.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following further discussion, Mr. Charles moved, seconded by Ms. Parr, to consolidate this matter with complaint number 2022-0030. The motion passed unanimously.

J. 2022-0030, Karlee McCue, LAC-18982

Ms. Zavala summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Charles moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to accept the proposed signed consent agreement. 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
NAY												
Absent						X	X		X		X	

## K. Anne McQuaid, LPC-12062

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Coonrod moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

#### L. 2021-0175, Brian Merrill, LPC-10749

Ms. Zavala summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared and addressed the Board.

The professional appeared telephonically and his attorney, Mandi Karvis, appeared in-person and addressed the Board.

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

#### M. Jasmine Moore, LPC-13258

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Coonrod moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

N. 2021-0123, Karen Mueller, LCSW-17417

Mr. Hirmand summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared and was available for questions.

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

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

- 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 1.07(f) Privacy and Confidentiality
  - o 2.02 Confidentiality

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Parr recused.

Following further discussion, Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to offer the professional a consent agreement for a decree of censure, 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. Parr recused.

	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
NAY												
Absent						X	X	recused	X		X	

#### O. Mary Ellen Passaro, LMSW-19166

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Charles moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

#### P. 2022-0027, Judith Pereida, LMSW-17893

Ms. Zavala summarized the Board's investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

The professional was properly noticed, but failed to appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Trotter moved, seconded by Mr. Shen, to accept the proposed signed consent agreement. 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
NAY												
Absent						X	X		X		X	

#### O. 2021-0056, Tara Pitts, LAC-15719

Ms. Zavala summarized 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, Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to dismiss the complaint. The motion passed unanimously.

R. 2021-0061, Tara Pitts, LAC-15719

Mr. Hirmand summarized 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, Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Ms. Parr, to find the following violations:

• A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(b), using fraud or deceit in connection with rendering services as a licensee or in establishing qualifications pursuant to this chapter

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further review, Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional shall be placed on probation for 12 months
- 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 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		X	

S. Anna Villarreal, LAC-14343, LPC Applicant

Ms. Zavala summarized the background information.

The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Trotter moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board took a break at 11:47 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 12:26 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 Counseling

Mr. Shen moved, seconded by Ms. Parr, to deny 1 application based on a failure to pass the required examination, 2 applications based on a failure to take the required examination, and 1 application based on a finding of unprofessional conduct. The motion passed unanimously.

Social Work

Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to deny 3 applications based on a failure to pass the required examination.

The motion passed unanimously.

Substance Abuse

Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to deny 2 applications based on a failure to pass the required examination, 2 applications based on a failure to take the required examination, and 1 application based on a failure to meet the minimum requirements. 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 July financial report
Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to accept the July financial report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding August financial report
Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Bailey, to accept the August financial report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 13. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

N/A

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

N/A

#### 15. Future agenda items

 $\overline{N/A}$ 

#### 16. Call for public comment

No one was present to respond to the call for public comment.

#### 17. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 8, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., at 1740 W. Adams St., Board Room C.

#### 18. Adjournment

Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Trotter, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

<i>Dr Codric E Davis, LCSW</i> Dr Cedric E Davis, LCSW (Nov 17, 2021 15:03 MST)	Nov 17, 2021
Cedric Davis	Date
Secretary/Treasurer	