

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

COLORADO BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS PUBLIC MINUTES

March 21, 2008

Notice of this meeting was published at www.dora.state.co.us/mental-health, at least 7 days in advance of the meeting date.

I. CONVENE

The meeting of the Colorado State Board of Licensed Professional Counselor Examiners was convened in the Denver Post Building, 1560 Broadway, Suite 1380A&B, Denver, Colorado 80202, 9:01 a.m., by Alan Cook, Professional Member, Board Chair.

Present, in addition to Alan Cook, LAC, LPC, Board Chair, were Board members:

Susan Garcia, LPC, Professional Member, Vice Chair

Jill Vitale, Public Member

Charles Knoeckel, LPC, Professional Member

Sherry (Beth) Giles, Public Member

Alice Bovard-Taylor, Public Member

The following Board members were unable to attend:

Randal G. Kittelson, M. Div., Public Member

Staff present:

Shelley Hitt, Section Director

Richard Morales, Program Director

Melissa Garner, Program Assistant

Paula Jones, Staff

Mary Risko, Assistant Attorney General

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2008 meeting, with changes.

III. OPEN FORUM

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

All agenda additions have been incorporated into these meeting minutes.

V. REPORTS

- Board Chair

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- Mr. Cook had nothing to report
- **Section Director, Shelly Hitt**
Introduced Richard Morales, Program Director and Paula Jones, Staff.
She also discussed Board appointments, reapplication process and stated that we've (Mental Health) have had a number of people express interest in serving.

Shelley Hitt also discussed being approached by a group of unlicensed therapists requesting clarification of "dual-relationship" in the rules and statute.
- Mr. Cook suggested that the Board provide the ACA Code of Ethics and the new CACREP standards
- Richard Morales stated this information would be provided in the next Board meeting packets

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Office of Attorney General – Mary Risko provided General Board Member training

VII. **OLD BUSINESS**

Agenda Item #1

Case #2008-000823

- The Board reviewed reconsideration regarding BR
- The Board dismissed the case

VIII. **LICENSING - Administrative Issues**

Additions to Agenda Item #19: BS

- The Board reviewed the request by BS
- The Board denied the request

IX. **MONITORING REPORTS**

Agenda Item #2

Information regarding Licensed Professional Counselors on Active Stipulations

Agenda Item #3

SF

Case #2007-002087

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- The Board decided to decline hours and her CE's and submit 3 new practice monitors
- Susan Garcia requested LPC counselors become practice monitors added to next agenda

Agenda Item #4 **ST** **Case #2006-000997**

- The Board referred to discipline w/practice monitor and recommended therapy
- The Board does not accept the practice monitor or their notes
- The Board requested next agenda item re: stipulation date with no end

X. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS

Agenda Item #5 **CK** **Case #2008-000015**

- The Board reviewed a Report of Investigation addressing CRS Sections 12-43-222 (1)(g)
- The Board dismissed the case

Agenda Item #6 **SK** **Case #2007-002732**

- The Board reviewed a Report of Investigation addressing CRS Sections 12-43-222 (1)(g), (l), (r)
- The Board moved to refer to discipline to be discussed in closed session with referral to ESP

EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED)

A motion was made and seconded that the Board enter into Executive Session at 10:11 a.m., in order to discuss with counsel the following matters: Agenda Item No. 25 to discuss pending or imminent court action involving the Board as a party pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(3)(a)(II).

Items referred for discipline during Open Session were considered in Executive Session.

By unanimous agreement, the Board moved to go out of Executive Session at 10:25 a.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

XI. INITIAL REVIEW

Agenda Item #7 **EH** **Case #2008-001743**
Board decision – send LOC w/language addressing potential harm

Agenda Item #8 **SC** **Case #2008-001546**
• The Board dismissed the case w/no violations

Agenda Item #9 **BM** **Case #2008-0001549**
• The Board dismissed the case w/no violations

Agenda Item #10 **ES** **Case #2008-001550**
• The Board dismissed the case w/no violations

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XII. CASE CONSIDERATION – Prior to Mailing 20-day Letter

Agenda Item #11 ML

- Inquiry regarding ML
- Board dismissed w/no violation

Agenda Item #12 JO

- Inquiry regarding JO
- Board decision send 30 day letter, open case

Agenda Item #13 DR

- Inquiry regarding DR
- Board decision no 30 day letter, no violation, no jurisdiction

Agenda Item #14 MS

- Inquiry regarding MS, respond to potential dual relationships and confidentiality
- Board decision – send 30day w/ copy of complaint (g), (i)

XIII. RE-CONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS (Open Session)

**XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED) 12:28PM
REPORTS**

A motion was made and seconded that the Board enter into Executive Session at 12:28 p.m., in order to discuss with counsel the following matters: Agenda Items No. 4, 6, 15, 16, 17, 18 to discuss pending or imminent court action involving the Board as a party pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(3)(a)(II).

Items referred for discipline during Open Session were considered in Executive Session.

By unanimous agreement, the Board moved to go out of Executive Session at 1:20 p.m.

Agenda Item #15 RB

- Board did not accept the counter offer, and will give credit for 21 hrs of CEU's (Clinical Supervision class)

Agenda Item #16 MB

- Board decided 3yr probation/CEU's/ no texting youth/minors under the age of 18
- Individual psychotherapy for 6 mos for impulsivity and boundary issues until therapist recommends discontinuation

Agenda Item #17 BF

- Board denied LOA, original guidance will stand.
- Rejected counter offer (Mary Risko will send letter)

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Agenda Item #18 KK**

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- Summary suspension

XV. ADJOURN

The Board formally adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:20 p.m. The Board will reconvene on Friday, May 16, 2008, at the Denver Post Building, 1560 Broadway, Suite 1380A&B, Denver, CO 80202, at approximately 9:00 a.m.

As Board Chair/Vice-Chair, I attest that these minutes of the open public meeting of the Colorado Board of Licensed Professional Counselor Examiners substantially reflect the substance of the discussions and actions taken related to matters under the authority of the Board, pursuant to §12-43-203, C.R.S, and in compliance with §24-6-402, C.R.S.



Board Chair



Vice-Chair