

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS

Minutes – Open Session - October 20, 2017

Approved by the Board on November 17, 2017

Members	Non-Members
Risa Ganel, LCMFT, <i>Chair, Absent</i>	Kimberly B. Link, J.D., Interim Exec. Dir.
Aparna Ramaswamy, Ed.D., Ph.D., LCPC, ACS, <i>Vice Chair</i>	Grant Gerber for Ari Elbaum, Board Counsel, AAG
	Anna Sullivan, Admin. Officer
Candice R. Dickens, LCADC, LCPC, <i>Secretary, Absent</i>	Frances Cipriotti, Administrator
Anna Blasetti DeJong, LCADC, LCPC	Janice Isaac, Admin. Specialist
Amanda Bechtel, LCADC, LCPAT <i>absent/on leave.</i>	Tawana Brown, Admin. Specialist
Sharon Bolden, LCADC, LCPC	Skip Bedics, Investigator
Sara Carlton, Consumer, <i>Absent</i>	Willie Harris, MAD-AAMFT
Mark Donovan, LCADC, LCPC	Kim Lang, DH Sharon Bloom, DH
Mary (“Nicki”) Drotleff, LCMFT	Roselyn Vanderpool, MATA
C. Scott Frazier, III, Consumer, <i>Absent</i>	Jill Scheibler, MATA
Jeffrey M. Galecki, MS, LCADC, LCPC	
Husher L. Harris, Sr., LCPC, <i>Absent</i>	
Karen Katrinic, LCMFT	

9:00 a.m. Committee Meetings

10:00 a.m. CRC

The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

- I. Review/Approval of Agenda – *Approved.*
- II. Review/Approval of Open Session minutes of September 15, 2017. *Approved.*
- III. Reports:
 - A. Vice Chair – Introduction of Karen Katrinic, LCMFT, to the Board; Jeff Galecki appointed Chair of Discipline Review Committee; Anna DeJong appointed Chair of Credentialing Committee.
 - B. Board Counsel – Open Meetings Act designees: Anna DeJong, Nicki Drotleff, and Jeff Galecki.
 - C. Interim Executive Director:
 - 1. Preliminary Sunset Report expected early/mid-November.
 - 2. Kim Lang, PhD. Has been appointed Director of Boards and Commissions.

3. Kim Link attended FARB conference in Savannah, Georgia, Oct. 5-8, 2017.
4. Update of Governor's Taskforce on Workforce Development meeting and need to process applications in a more expedient manner. Kim Link is currently revising administrative procedures to help reduce processing time.
5. Discussion and decision to allow LGPATs to take the exam before graduation in order to shorten time from graduation to licensure.

IV. Ratification of Licenses issued since September, 2017. *Approved.*

V. New Business: Mark Donovan to lead ad hoc committee on reciprocity/portability of licensure. Aparna Ramaswamy and Anna DeJong volunteered to be on committee. Kim Link will send email to all board members regarding additional committee members.

VI. Miscellaneous: Representatives of Maryland Art Therapy Association spoke regarding title protection, reducing application time, and educational efforts to make public and private entities aware of licensed art therapists.

Executive Session adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candice Richardson Dickens, Secretary