## BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS <u>Minutes – Open Session August 21, 2020 via Google Hangouts Meet</u> <u>Approved by the Board on September 18, 2020</u>

| Members   | Non-Members   |
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| Jeffrey M. Galecki, MS, LCADC, LCPC, <i>Chair</i> | Danielle M. Vallone Acting Executive Director   |
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| Karen Katrinic, LCMFT                             | Patrick LoPresto  |
| Winnie Moore, LCPC                                | Willie Harris   |
| Lynn Duffy, Psy.D., LCPC                          | Gretchen Mahoney  |
| Stacey Nelson, LCPC, LCPAT                        | Buck Skev<br>France<br>Shelly-Ann Barnes<br>Sandra Boxley<br>Tawana Brown<br>Anna Sullivan<br>Diana Madden<br>Janelle Cox |

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

- I. Attendance taken and statement by Board Chair regarding statements by the public during meeting.
- II. Review and Approval of Open Session Minutes from June 19, 2020 Motion carried.
- III. Motion to approve the Agenda Motion carried.
- IV. Introduction to New Board Members Chun-Shin Taylor, Ph.D. & Stacey Nelson, LCPC, LCPAT, ATR-BC

V. Reports;

a. Chair

i. Board Committee Listing Updated

ii. Reminder to Board Members to attend Open Meetings Act Training

iii. Board members were reminded to check their Maryland Gmail accounts frequently.

b. Acting Executive Director

i. Expense report forms were mailed to Board Members with instructions to complete and return in postage paid envelope to the Board for submission to the fiscal officer for payment.

ii. The Board is recruiting for Board staff.

iii. MD approved the Board's request to recruit for the following positions: Executive Director, Office Secretary, and Health Occupations Investigator.

iv. The Board vacancy announcement for Licensed Clinical Marriage and Family Therapists seat was extended until September 30, 2020.

v. Governor's Proclamation renewing the State of Emergency and Existence of Catastrophic Health Emergency – COVID.

vi. The renewal portal will open on November 2, 2020 for those who wish to renew. Those who expire will automatically stay active until 30 days after the State of Emergency is lifted.

c. Credential Committee: No Report

d. Legislation/Regulations Committee: Chapter 08 Marriage and Family Therapists – Requirements for Licensure – Voted and Approved.

e. Alcohol and Drug Counselor Subcommittee meeting at 2:00 p.m.

f. Disciplinary Review Committee: Committee continues to meet monthly to review new complaints, completed investigations and matters involving criminal history.

g. Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee: No Report

## I. Old Business (Vallone):

A. National examinations and testing sites (Pearson Vue) is reopening sites and operating with reduced capacities with social distancing and adhering to the new cleaning requirements. Some proctoring is moving online, it is unclear if this will be permanent or short term. They confirmed that the pandemic has not slowed down test/exam results. Should there be a second wave of the pandemic, they will re-evaluate and adapt as needed.

VI. New Business (Vallone):

- A. COVID and Updated Executive Orders are available on MDH's Website
- B. Interstate Compact licensed Professional Counselors (K. Link): Stakeholder review ongoing. Meeting schedule posted on the Board's website.
- C. AMFTB 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of State Delegates will meet virtually on Tuesday, September 22, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Nicki Drotleff, Vice Chair/Secretary