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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at 12:00 p.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware <b>Conference Room A</b> , second floor of the Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED</b>	10/24/2012

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Lisa Ritchie, LCDP, **President**, Presiding  
Daniel Cooper, LPCMH, **Vice President**  
Ruth Banta, Public Member, **Secretary**  
Daniel Cherneski, LMFT (12:04 p.m. – 2:27 p.m.)  
Robert Doyle, Public Member (12:06 p.m. – 2:28 p.m.)  
Dr. Gregg Drevno, Ph.D., LPCMH  
Dr. Tracey Frazier, Psy.D., LCDP  
Joan McDonough, Public Member  
Dr. Julius Mullen, Ed.D., LPCMH  
Dr. William Northey, Ph.D., LMFT  
Elisabeth Vassas, Public Member

### **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General  
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mary Davis, LCDP

### **ALSO PRESENT**

Richard Brousell  
Julie LaBadia, Wilcox & Fetzer  
Robin Maracle  
LeeAnn Shinaberry

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Ritchie called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

MHCDP Meeting Minutes – August 22, 2012

The Board reviewed the August 22, 2012 meeting minutes for approval. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Update from the Legislative Committee**

Dr. Northey advised the Board that the Legislative Committee finalized the proposed drafts of the regulations. The drafts were circulated for review. Dr. Northey requested that the Board make their final decision regarding the proposed regulations during their October 24, 2012 meeting.

### **Review Previously Proposed to Deny Application for Carmen Farro**

The Board reviewed additional documentation submitted by Carmen Farro. Dr. Northey moved; seconded by Dr. Drevno, with withdraw the previous motion made during the August 22, 2012 meeting, proposing to deny Carmen Farro's application. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Cooper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of verification of certification from the NBCC. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review Request to Amend Application to Apply by Certification for Georgeanna Spagnolo (Application was Proposed to Deny on 8/22/2012)**

The Board reviewed the request for reconsideration to apply by certification submitted by Georgeanna Spagnolo. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski to deny Georgeanna Spagnolo's request for reconsideration; as the Board is upholding their previous decision to propose to deny the application. Motion unanimously carried.

## **FORMAL HEARING**

### **Formal Hearing to Lift Suspension for Richard Brousell (12:15 p.m.)**

At 12:17 p.m., Ms. Ritchie called the formal hearing to order on the request for removal of suspension from Richard Brousell. The Board introduced themselves for the record. Verbatim testimony was taken by the court reporter. Mr. Stevenson stated the purpose of the hearing. Mr. Brousell was present and Mr. Stevenson verified that she waived her right to counsel. A packet of documents were marked as Board Exhibit 1. Mr. Brousell was sworn in, presented his case, and responded to questions asked by the Board members.

At 12:41 p.m., the Board went off the record for deliberations.

The Board observed a brief recess from 1:19 p.m. until 1:27 p.m. At 1:37p.m., the Board went back on the record. Mr. Cooper made a motion, seconded by Ms. Banta, to lift Mr. Brousell's suspension. Motion unanimously carried. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski to place Mr. Brousell be placed on probation until completion of a supervisory program approved by the Board. The probationary period will have the following conditions: upon successful completion of a supervisory program defined as: the identification of a supervisor (whom has expertise in ethical, legal and boundary issues) and development of a supervision plan and contract to address previous ethical violations that have come before the board, and approved by the Board prior to its

implementation; successful completion of a developed program as indicated by the supervisory plan, which will include a minimum of 12 monthly supervisory sessions with quarterly reports from the supervisor; and a final report from the supervisor summarizing the supervisory process and attesting to the successful completion thereof . Motion unanimously carried.

The hearing concluded at 1:45 p.m. Mr. Stevenson will prepare an Order for the Board to sign during their next regularly scheduled meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Review of Application for LACMH Licensure – Gretchen Mahoney**

The Board reviewed Gretchen Mahoney's application for LACMH licensure. Dr. Drevno made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity – Sheri Colston**

The Board reviewed Sheri Colston's application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity – Andrea Edelman**

The Board reviewed Andrea Edelman's application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno, to **propose to deny** the application due the Board determining that Washington D.C., is not substantially similar to Delaware's licensing standards, pursuant to section 2.2.3. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Virginia Thomas**

The Board reviewed Virginia Thomas' application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Mr. Cooper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to **table** the application for additional documentation clarifying the exact amount of experience hours she has accumulated since her degree was conferred. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review of Application for LCDP Licensure by Certification – Jacob Harrison**

The Board reviewed Jacob Harrison's application for LCDP licensure by certification. Dr. Frazier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review of Application for LCDP Licensure by Reciprocity – Rosemary Madl-Young**

The Board reviewed Rosemary Madl-Young's application for LCDP licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno, to **propose to deny** the application due to not meeting the requirements pursuant to section 4.2.3 of the Boards regulations. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review of Application for LCDP Licensure by Reciprocity – Mary Lenney**

The Board reviewed Mary Lenney application for LCDP licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno, to **propose to deny** the application due to not meeting

the certification requirements pursuant to section 4.1.3 of the Boards regulations. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review Request for Approval of Continuing Education Actives from Delaware Hospice

Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve the following CE activity for Delaware Hospice as noted below:

Looking to the Future: The Role of Advance Care Planning in Providing High Quality Across the Health Care Continuum (6.0 Hours)

Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review Additional Information from the American Association of State Counseling Boards

Ms. Williams provided the Board with additional information about the American Association of State Counseling Boards for their review. Ms. Williams advised the Board that if the Board still agrees and requests membership after reviewing the additional information, she will forward the information to the Director's office. The Board requested that the information be forwarded to the Director's office.

#### Discussion Regarding Enhancing Competence – Dr. Northey

Dr. Northey addressed the Board regarding enhancing competence of the licensees. According to Dr. Northey, many jurisdictions are focusing on self-assessments and enhancing the competency of licensees. He is requesting that the Board approve him to create and implement a program which would be equivalent to continuing education. The Board requested additional information such as data, mock-ups, assessment tools, etc. Dr. Northey stated that it would be extremely difficult to bring forth such information because each goal would be individualized for the licensee. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle to table this item. Motion unanimously carried.

#### **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

#### **Other Business (for discussion only)**

There was no other business before the Board

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

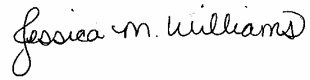
#### **Next Meeting Date**

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2012, at 12:00 p.m., in Conference Room A, of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

#### **Adjournment**

Mr. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica M. Williams".

Jessica M. Williams

Administrative Specialist II