

These minutes have been approved by the Board on 1.12.2023

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling
October 13, 2022

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling was called to order by Amy Eigenberg, Chair, at 9:04 a.m., in the Lower Level B, Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. In accordance with § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were 1) mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, and 2) posted on the DHHS web site at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx> and on the bulletin board in the Licensure Unit Lobby on 10.06.2022.2022.

The following members answered roll call:

Members Present (7):

Christine Chasek, Member (in room)
Lori Cleveland, ~~Member Chair~~ (in room)
Terry Duffy, Member (in room)
Brian Bierschenk, Member (on phone)
Victor Gehrig, ~~Member-Member~~ (in room)
Amy Eigenberg, Chair (in room)
Jill Colegrove, Secretary (in room)

Members Absent (2):

Mary Sneckenberg, Member
Natasha Robinson, Member

Staff and Others Present (3):

Kris Chiles, Program Manager, Licensure Unit (in room)
Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit (in room)
Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General (in room)
TJ O'Neil, Assistant Attorney General (in room)
Joann Uden, DHHS Attorney (in room)
Mark Meyerson, Trevor Klaassen, investigations (in room)

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Cleveland, to approve the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Bierschenk, to approve the minutes of 07.14.2022 with corrections. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Chasek, to enter into closed session at 9:09 a.m. to hear discussions of investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputations of the individuals. Colegrove repeated the motion purpose. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

9:15 am Colegrove exited room
9:20 am Colegrove entered room
9:58 am Meyerson, Klaassen exited room

10:40 am After Board Member agreement, Eigenberg stated the meeting is now in open session

5. REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT OUT

OPEN SESSION: Applications, Summary of Mail Ballot Votes and Reinstatements

10:40 am Break
10:54 am Meeting resumed

Ashley Jessen -PLADC

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Duffy, to defer the recommendation and request additional information. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

Tyler Hackett- PLADC

MOTION: Duffy moved, seconded by Gehrig, to defer the recommendation and request additional information. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

Alyssa Maxwell – PLADC Reinstatement Applicant (early release from probation)

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Cleveland to deny the application for reinstatement and early release from probation. Basis for recommendation: Insufficient evidence to support early release from probation. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

Carnell Watt - PLADC Reinstatement (early release from probation)

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Gehrig, to deny the application for reinstatement and early release from probation. Basis for recommendation: Conviction history, Insufficient indicators and willingness to comply to the law, and insufficient time since most recent conviction. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

Christine Perkumas – PLADC Applicant

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Cleveland, to issue without any terms or conditions. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Duffy, Bierschenk, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Sneckenberg, Robinson (2). Motion carried.

6. UPDATES REPORTS

- **Executive Order 22-05:** <http://govdocs.nebraska.gov/docs/pilot/pubs/eofiles/22-05.pdf>
FAQ's for EO 22-05: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Documents/FAQ-Related-to-Executive-Order-22-05.pdf>

Chiles provided an overview of Executive Order 22-05.

- **Continued Discussion Relating to Developing a Jurisprudence Examination**

Board members will submit questions to Chiles for collection and distribution to the Board for review at the next board meeting.

- **Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report**

Robinson was not present to provide an update

- **International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC)**

<https://internationalcredentialing.org>

Robinson was not present to provide an update; Conference is next week.

- **Reports: Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions, License Statistics, Examination Statistics, and Administrative Fees:**

Reports were included as part of the meeting agenda.

7. Schedule 2023 Meeting Dates

The following meeting dates were scheduled for 2023: January 12, April 13, July 13, October 12

8. Board Member Service Recognition – Tina Chasek 4.2.2012 to 11.30.2022

Tina Chasek was recognized for her 10 years of service as a member of the Board and presented with a certificate of appreciation.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Eigenberg announced the next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2023, and declared the meeting adjourned at 11:26 am.

Summarized by:
Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator