

MEETING MINUTES
Board of Mental Health Practice
March 13, 2015

These minutes were approved by
the Board on May 8, 2015

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Mental Health Practice was called to order by the Vice-Chair, Dale Battleson, at 9:06 a.m. in Lower Level Room F, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed to the Board members and other interested parties in accordance with the Open Meetings Law. The following members answered the roll call:

Members Present:	Dale Battleson William Gaughan Alan Green Susan Meyerle Terrance Moore Allison Reisbig Sarita Ruma	Vice-Chair Member Member Member Member Member Member
Members Absent:	Susan Feyen Tom Maxson Shari Schnuelle	Secretary Chair (arrived 9:09 a.m.) Member
Others Present:	Kris Chiles Ed Vierk Dennis Scott	Program Manager, Licensure Unit Assistant Attorney General Investigator

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Meyerle moved, seconded by Ruma, to adopt the agenda. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Gaughan, Green, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Maxson, Schnuelle (3). Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (1-9-15)

MOTION: Green moved, seconded by Gaughan, to approve the minutes of 1-9-15. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Gaughan, Green, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Maxson, Schnuelle (3). Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

9:09 a.m. - Maxson entered meeting

4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS AND OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Meyerle moved, seconded by Reisbig, to enter into closed session at 9:09 a.m. to hear discussions of an investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Gaughan, Green, Maxson, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Schnuelle (2). Motion carried.

10:42 a.m. - Break
10:53 a.m. - Meeting resumed
11:04 a.m. - Reisbig departed meeting (conflict)
11:10 a.m. - Reisbig entered meeting
11:12 a.m. - Maxson departed meeting (conflict)
11:14 a.m. - Moore departed meeting (conflict)
11:45 a.m. - Moore and Maxson entered meeting
11:51 a.m. - Battleson and Ruma departed meeting (conflict)
12:25 p.m. - Battleson and Ruma entered meeting

12:27 p.m. - Scott departed meeting
12:28 p.m. - Break
12:35 p.m. - Meeting resumed
12:43 p.m. - Ruma and Gaughan departed meeting for the day

MOTION: Green moved, seconded by Meyerle, to enter into open session at 2:14 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Green, Maxson, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig (6). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Gaughan, Ruma, Schnuelle (4). Motion carried.

5. APPLICATION REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS – OPEN SESSION

a. Applications and Reinstatements

Blair Sedlacek - CMSW

MOTION: Meyerle moved, seconded by Battleson, to recommend approval of the CMSW. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Green, Maxson, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig (6). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Gaughan, Ruma, Schnuelle (4). Motion carried.

Ryan Bieck – PLMHP

MOTION: Meyerle moved, seconded by Green, to recommend approval of the PLMHP. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Green, Maxson, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig (6). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Gaughan, Ruma, Schnuelle (4). Motion carried.

Andrew Huls – PLMHP

MOTION: Meyerle moved, seconded by Battleson, to recommend approval of the PLMHP. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Green, Maxson, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig (6). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Gaughan, Ruma, Schnuelle (4). Motion carried.

Kendra Williams-Russell-EI – PLMHP

MOTION: Meyerle moved, seconded by Reisbig, to recommend deferral and request additional information. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Green, Maxson, Meyerle, Moore, Reisbig (6). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Gaughan, Ruma, Schnuelle (4). Motion carried.

Keven Aase – PLMHP

MOTION: Green moved, seconded by Moore, to recommend approval of the PLMHP. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Green, Maxson, Moore, (4). Voting nay: Meyerle, Reisbig (2). Abstain: None (0). Absent: Feyen, Gaughan, Ruma, Schnuelle (4). Motion carried.

2:21 p.m. - Vierk departed meeting

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Jurisprudence Examination

Maxson reported the jurisprudence examination was a series of questions that could be used as another tool for applicants who are disciplined. This provides an opportunity to read and review the regulations in order to answer the questions. Meyerle commented it has been a long process as some questions were written based on the proposed regulations and those had to be separated out from what is in the current regulations which means there are basically two versions of the examination. Meyerle suggested each member take the jurisprudence examination to see if the questions are what they need to be. She commented that she had looked at jurisprudence examinations from other states and Nebraska's questions, even though some may be poorly written, appear pretty impressive compared to some of the other examination questions. She said fewer states now have the examinations openly available online and more require an applicant be registered before they have access to the jurisprudence examination. Meyerle expressed her hope that the jurisprudence examination would be finalized at the May meeting.

b. Status of Regulation 172 NAC 94

Chiles reported the regulations were still with the Department. Chiles commented she had forwarded information on LB 586 (introduced by Morfeld) which relates to employment and prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. The bill is on General File.

2:32 p.m. - Reisbig departed meeting

Since there was no longer a quorum, discussion ceased and the meeting adjourned.

c. Other

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Correspondence
- b. Review of Conviction Review Guidelines Document
- c. Other

8. UPDATES AND REPORTS

- a. Telepractice Subcommittee Report
- b. AASCB / AMFTRB / ASWB / Citizen Advocacy Center / Justice Behavioral Health Committee
- c. Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Report / Licensure Statistics / Administrative Penalty Fees Assessed
- d. Other

10. ADJOURNMENT

Maxson adjourned the meeting of the Board of Mental Health Practice at 2:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Feyen, Secretary
Board of Mental Health Practice

Next Meeting: May 1, 2015

Summarized by: Nancy Herdman, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit