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DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



**Jim Pillen, Governor** 

# NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA Board of Mental Health Practice

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Call-in information: 1-408-418-9388; Meeting number (access code): 2498 636 5304

AGENDA	Posted:4/18/25
<u>Date:</u> Friday May 9, 2025 9:00 a.m.	<ol> <li>ROLL CALL AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER <u>Announcement:</u> There is a current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted on the door to the meeting room and available at the link listed below.</li> <li>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</li> </ol>
Location: 1526 K St, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Floor, Buffalo Room Lincoln, Nebraska	<ol> <li>CLOSED SESSION (approx. 9:30 a.m.) Confidential Information <u>Purpose:</u> To hear discussions of confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals</li> </ol>
Neblaska	<ol> <li>OPEN SESSION (approx. 11:30 a.m.) Application Reviews, Recommendations, and Report Out (mail ballots)</li> </ol>
For Information	6. Public comment
Contact:	7. UPDATES AND REPORTS:
Jessica Dean 402-471-4918 or Jessica.dean@ nebraska.gov	<ul> <li>Legislation 2025</li> <li>Association and Committee Updates:</li> <li>AASCB <u>http://www.aascb.org</u></li> <li>Counseling Compact <u>https://counselingcompact.org/</u></li> <li>AMFTRB <u>http://www.amftrb.org</u></li> <li>ASWB <u>http://www.aswb.org</u></li> <li>Reports: Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions, Licensure Statistics, Examination Pass/Fail Report</li> <li>8. ADJOURN (Approx. 2:00 pm)</li> </ul>

# Nebraska Open Meetings Act: 84-1407 through 84-1414

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All items known at the time of distribution of this agenda are listed. A current agenda is available at the	2025 Meeting Dates:		
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2117 (voice), or for people with hearing impairments, please call the Nebraska Relay System, 711 TDD, prior	<del>3/7/2025</del>	9/5/2025	
to the meeting date. Advance notice of seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.	4/11/2025	11/7/2025	
	5/9/2025		

These minutes have not been approved by the Board

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING Board of Mental Health Practice April 11, 2025

### 1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Mental Health Practice was called to order by Czajas-Stevens, Chair, at 9:00 a.m. at the Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, 3H Lincoln, Nebraska. In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were e-mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS web site at <a href="https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx">https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx</a>, and posted in the Licensure Unit on 1.23.2025.

Czaja-Stevens stated that there is a current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted on the door to the meeting room and available at the link listed below on the agenda.

The following members answered roll call:

#### Members Present, (10)

Susan Meyerle, Member Paul Davies, Member Jen McNally, Member Rebecca Czaja-Stevens, Member, Vice-Chair Amanda Milander-Mace, Member Sara Batter, Member, Secretary Adrian Martin, Member Renea Gernant, Member Scott Stocking, Member

#### Members Absent (1):

Tammy Erickson, Member

#### **Others Present:**

Sean Loving, Program Manager, Licensure Unit Jessica Dean, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit Milissa Johnson Wiles, Assistant Attorney General Annika Gleason Schoch, DHHS Department Attorney Katherine Amyot, DHHS Department Attorney Anna Harrison, DHHS Licensure Unit Compliance Monitor Mark Meyerson, Trevor Klassen, Kathleen Krueger, Brittany Bigham, Dennis Scott-Investigations

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**MOTION**: Meyerle moved, seconded by Stocking, to adopt the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: McNally, Meyerle, Czaja-Stevens, Davies, Milander-Mace, Stocking, Batter, Martin, Gernant (9). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Erickson (1). Vacant (0) Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES-January 31, 2025

**MOTION**: Martin moved, seconded by Batter, to adopt the minutes, with corrections. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: McNally, Meyerle, Czaja-Stevens, Davies, Milander-Mace, Stocking, Batter, Martin, Gernant (9). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Erickson (1). Vacant (0) Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

#### 4. CLOSED SESSION - CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

MOTION: Meyerle moved, seconded by Davies, to enter into closed session at 9:03 a.m. to hear discussions of a

confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: McNally, Meyerle, Czaja-Stevens, Davies, Milander-Mace, Stocking, Batter, Martin, Gernant (9). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Erickson (1). Vacant (0) Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

11:22am Verbal agreement from all board members to enter open session.

### 5. OPEN SESSION

Application Reviews, Recommendations, and Report Out

### Venter-Conviction Review

**MOTION:** Davies moved, seconded by McNally, her convictions do not prohibit her from applying. A voice vote was taken. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: McNally, Meyerle, Czaja-Stevens, Davies, Milander-Mace, Stocking, Batter, Martin, Gernant (9). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Erickson (1). Vacant (0) Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

### Eric McDougle

**MOTION:** Meyerle moved, seconded by Batter, to deny. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: McNally, Meyerle, Czaja-Stevens, Davies, Milander-Mace, Stocking, Batter, Martin, Gernant (9). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Erickson (1). Vacant (0) Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.no comments

## 6. UPDATES AND REPORTS:

a. Legislation:

Loving mentioned not a lot of movement on legislation. Amyot mentioned LB380 and that it is in the final steps.

- b. Association and Committee Updates:
  - AASCB <u>http://www.aascb.org</u>

Meyerle discussed the annual AASCB meeting.

Counseling Compact <a href="https://counselingcompact.org/">https://counselingcompact.org/</a>

Meyerle discussed conversion therapy. Meyerle said that Nebraska will be a test state. Beta Testing is in August/September 2025. Compact commission Fee and each state will establish a fee.

- AMFTRB <u>http://www.amftrb.org</u> Martin had nothing to report.
- ASWB <u>http://www.aswb.org</u> Loving mentioned the second meeting
- c. Reports: Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions, Licensure Statistics, Examination Pass/Fail Report (see agenda for reports)

## 7. ADJOURN

Czajas-Stevens declared the meeting adjourned at 12.05 pm; the next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2025.

Board of Mental Health Practice Summarized by: Sean Loving, Licensure Unit

Agenda Item 7:

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, LICENSURE UNIT
SUMMARY COUNT OF LICENSES B

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SUMMARY COUNT OF LICENSES BY LICENSE STATUS

Mental	Health	Practice
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	Active	Active-Military	Application File Closed	Closed	Deleted	Denied	Denied Renewal	Expired	Expired Credential	Inactive	Lapsed	NonDisc Revocation	Null and Void
Cos Preliminary Conviction Revie ()	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
EO 20-27 Prov Independent MHP()	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
EO 20-27 Prov Mental Health Pra ()	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Independent Mental Health Pract 3,394	7	279	1	89	15	1	483	0	176	0	0	9	38
Marriage & Family Therapist 128	0	24	1	2	3	0	75	0	36	1	16	1	1
Master Social Worker 1,355	1	84	0	9	4	1	421	0	432	43	193	25	11
Master Social Worker - CMSW 58	0	20	0	8	1	0	40	0	24	0	12	15	1
Mental Health Practitioner 2,167	6	237	3	154	18	2	2,445	0	1,129	70	340	54	13
Non-License (Exam applicant onl 22	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Professional Counselor 1,148	1	110	0	21	6	0	917	0	545	65	262	45	21
Provisional Master Social Worker 518	0	27	0	4	1	0	41	241	11	0	0	1,247	14
Provisional Mental Health Practiti 1,570	0	151	6	25	20	0	397	1,365	53	1	0	5,124	33
Social Worker 544	1	71	0	46	9	0	1,072	0	777	205	976	25	17
Supervised Marriage & Family Th ()	0	5	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	51	0
Temporary Cert Marriage Family ()	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Temporary Mental Health Practiti ()	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total 10,904	16	1,044	11	358	77	4	5,909	1,606	3,185	385	1,799	6,597	160