



## **NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA** **Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling**

This meeting will be held in-person. The public is welcome to attend any Open Session discussion in the Lower Level, Morrill Room. This meeting will also be available to the public to participate by WEBEX using this link:

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| <b>AGENDA</b>   | <b>Posted 7.8.2024</b>   |
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| <p><b><u>Date and Time:</u></b><br/>Thursday<br/><b>July 25, 2024</b><br/><b>9:00 a.m.</b></p> <p><b><u>Location:</u></b><br/>State Office Building<br/>301 Centennial Mall<br/>South<br/>(14<sup>th</sup> &amp; M)<br/>Lincoln, Nebraska<br/><b>Lower Level</b><br/><b>Morrill Room</b></p> <p><b><u>For Information</u></b><br/><b><u>Contact:</u></b><br/>Carrie Oldehoeft<br/>402-471-2117<br/>Dhhs.licensure<br/>2117@nebraska.gov</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call<br/><b><u>Announcement:</u></b> There is a current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted on the door to the meeting room.</li> <li>2. Adoption of Agenda</li> <li>3. Approval of Minutes</li> <li>4. <b>Closed Session (approx. 9:15 am):</b> Investigative Reports and Confidential Information<br/><b><u>Purpose:</u></b> To hear discussions of investigative and confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals.</li> <li>5. <b>Open Session (approx. 10:00 am)</b> Review, Recommendations and Report Out, Applications, Summary of Mail Ballot Votes, and Reinstatements.</li> <li>6. Updates, New Business, and Reports             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Legislation</li> <li>b) Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report</li> <li>c) International Certification &amp; Reciprocity Consortium (IC&amp;RC)<br/><a href="https://internationalcredentialing.org">https://internationalcredentialing.org</a></li> <li>d) Reports: Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Actions, License Statistics, Examination Statistics, and Administrative Fees (attached with agenda)</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. Public Comments</li> <li>8. Adjournment</li> </ol> |

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All items known at the time of distribution of this agenda are listed. A current agenda is available at the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Licensure Unit and at the following website: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx> If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at a meeting, please call Carrie Oldehoeft at (402) 471-4918 (voice), or for persons with hearing impairments, please call the Nebraska Relay System, 711 TDD, prior to the meeting date. Advance notice of seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

| <b>2024 Meeting Dates</b> |
|---------------------------|
| 1.25.2024                 |
| 4.25.2024                 |
| 7.25.2024                 |
| 10.24.2024                |

**Agenda Item 6d**

**License Statistics:**

|                     |  | SUMMARY COUNT OF LICENSES B |                 |
|---------------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Profession          | License Statuses:                      | Active                      | Active-Military |
|                     | License Types                          |                             |                 |
| Alcohol and Drug Co | Alcohol and Drug Counselor             | 857                         | 1               |
|                     | Alcohol/Drug Prelim Conviction Review  | 1                           |                 |
|                     | Provisional Alcohol and Drug Counselor | 429                         |                 |
|                     | <b>Grand Total</b>                     | <b>1,287</b>                | <b>1</b>        |

**Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Actions since 1.1.2024:**

| COMPLIANCE LISTING REPORT                         |            |                        |                |  |                      |            |
|---|------------|------------------------|----------------|--|----------------------|------------|
| Profession: Alcohol and Drug Counselor            |            |                        |                |  | Run Date: 07/08/2024 |            |
| Action Start Date Range: 01/01/2024 to 07/08/2024 |            |                        |                |  | Page No: Page 1 of 1 |            |
| Licensee Name                                     | License No | License Type           | License Status | Disciplinary Action                    | Action Start         | Action End |
| Leikam, Megan Ann                                 | 1399       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Active         | Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed | 02/15/2024           | 02/22/2024 |
| Leikam, Megan Ann                                 | 1399       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Active         | Probation                              | 03/03/2024           | 03/03/2025 |
| Leikam, Megan Ann                                 | 1399       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Active         | Civil Penalty                          | 02/22/2024           | 02/22/2027 |
| Leikam, Megan Ann                                 | 1399       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Active         | Suspension                             | 03/03/2024           | 05/31/2024 |
| O'Brien, Leah K                                   | 1383       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Suspension     | Probation                              | 06/22/2024           | 06/22/2025 |
| O'Brien, Leah K                                   | 1383       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Suspension     | Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed | 06/10/2024           | 06/12/2024 |
| O'Brien, Leah K                                   | 1383       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Suspension     | Suspension                             | 06/22/2024           | 09/19/2024 |
| Surrounded, Kelly                                 | 1397       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Revocation     | Revocation                             | 06/16/2024           |            |
| Surrounded, Kelly                                 | 1397       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Revocation     | Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed | 02/15/2024           | 06/06/2024 |
| White, Lisa K                                     | 1374       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Revocation     | Revocation                             | 05/04/2024           |            |
| White, Lisa K                                     | 1374       | Alcohol and Drug Cou   | Revocation     | Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed | 03/15/2024           | 04/24/2024 |
| Yunker, Kimberley Kay                             | P-1890     | Provisional Alcohol an | Suspension     | Suspension                             | 03/23/2024           |            |
| Yunker, Kimberley Kay                             | P-1890     | Provisional Alcohol an | Suspension     | Amended Petition                       | 03/12/2024           | 03/13/2024 |

**Examinations:**

| EXAMINATION STATISTICS SUMMARY REPORT  |                             |               |  |
|--|-----------------------------|---------------|--|
| Profession: Alcohol and Drug Counselor |                             |               | Run Date: 07/08/2024                   |
| Date Range: 01/01/2024 to 7/8/2024     |                             |               | Page No: Page 1 of 1                   |
| Exam Battery                           | Exam Name                   | Result Status | Number of Candidates per Result Status |
| IC & RC Written                        | IC & RC Written Examination | Pass          | 10                                     |

These minutes have not been approved by the Board

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling  
April 25, 2024

**1. ROLL CALL**

The meeting of the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling was called to order by Victor Gehrig, Chair, at 9:00 a.m., in the Lower Level Goldenrod Room, 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 State Office Building Lobby on 4.17.2024.

The following members answered roll call:

**Members Present (8):**

Lori Cleveland, Member  
Terry Duffy, Member, Secretary  
Victor Gehrig, Chair  
Amy Eigenberg, Member  
Jill Colegrove, Member  
Tom Maxson, Vice-Chair  
Anthony Veronee, Member  
Brian Bierschenk, Member

**Members Absent (0):**

**Staff and Others Present (8):**

Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit  
Sean Loving, DHHS Program Manager, Licensure Unit  
Anna Harrison, DHHS Compliance Monitor  
TJ O'Neill, Assistant Attorney General  
Abigail Hoy Nissen, Assistant Attorney General  
Suzanna Glover-Ettrich, DHHS Attorney (via WebEx)  
Mark Meyerson, Carla Cue, Kathy Krueger-investigations

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Duffy moved, seconded by Colegrove, to approve the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove, Maxson, Veronee, Bierschenk (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Veronee moved, seconded by Duffy, to approve the minutes. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove, Maxson, Veronee, Bierschenk (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

**4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**  
**CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** Colegrove moved, seconded by Cleveland, to enter into closed session at 9:08 a.m. to hear discussions of investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputations of the individuals. Gehrig repeated the motion purpose. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove, Maxson, Veronee, Bierschenk (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

10:35 am After Board Member agreement, Gehrig stated the meeting is now in open session  
10:35 am Board break  
10:50 am Board returned to open session

## **5. REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT OUT**

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

#### **Jane Smith- PLADC**

**MOTION:** Bierschenk moved, seconded by Duffy, to defer for more information. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove, Maxson, Veronee, Bierschenk (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

#### **Shane Reilly-- PLADC**

**MOTION:** Colegrove moved, seconded by Cleveland, to recommend a 2-year probationary license with the following terms/conditions: Abstain from alcohol and controlled substances, Random body fluid screens, Report prescribed medications, Follow recommendations of assessment and any future recommendations, Quarterly employer reports, and Standard terms and conditions of probation. Basis for recommendation: Conviction history. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove, Maxson, Veronee, Bierschenk (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

#### **Mitchel Martin-LADC**

**MOTION:** Colegrove moved, seconded by Eigenberg, to deny the application. Basis for recommendation: Not meeting licensure requirements. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove, Maxson, Veronee, Bierschenk (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

## **4. Updates, New Business, and Reports**

### 9. Updates, New Business, and Reports

#### e) Legislation 2024

LB1417-moving The Board of Alcohol and Drug into the Board of Mental Health Practice  
No movement

#### f) Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report

No report

#### g) International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) <https://internationalcredentialing.org>

Maxson reported on the annual conference

#### h) Reports: Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Actions, License Statistics, Examination Statistics, and Administrative Fees (attached with agenda)

No additional information as they are attached

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

Gehrig announced the next meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2024, and declared the meeting adjourned at 11:14 am.

Summarized by:

Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator