# MINUTES OF THE MEETING Board of Mental Health Practice

September 6, 2024

#### 1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Mental Health Practice was called to order by the L Janeen Gill, Chair, at 9:17 a.m. at the Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lower Level, Goldenrod Room, 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 8.29.24.

Gill 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
Dale Battleson, Member
Paul Davies, Member
Rebecca Czaja-Stevens, Member, Vice-Chair
Scott Stocking, Member
Amanda Milander-Mace, Member
L Janeen Gill, Member, Chair
Sara Batter, Member
Adrian Martin, Member

#### Members Absent (0):

Renea Gernant, Member

#### **Others Present:**

Sean Loving, Program Manager, Licensure Unit Jessica Dean, Administrative Technician, Licensure Unit Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General Melissa Johnson-Wiles, Assistant Attorney General Teresa Hampton, DHHS Department Attorney

Anna Harrison, DHHS, Licensure Unit Compliance Monitor

Mark Meyerson, Larry Wiehn, Travor Klassen, Dennis Scott-Investigations

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES July 12, 2024

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

#### 4. CLOSED SESSION - CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

**MOTION**: Meyerle moved, seconded by Davies, to enter into closed session at 9:22 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: Batter, Battleson, Gill, Martin, Czaja-Stevens, Davies, Milander-Mace, Stocking, Meyerle (9). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: (1) Gernant. Abstain: None (0). Motion carried

9:23am Martin exited room

9:38am Klassen exited room

9:39 am Martin entered room

9:39am Klassen entered room

9:40am Czaia-Stevens exited room

10:05am Czaja-Stevens entered room

10:10 Martin Exited

10:10 Meyerson Exited

10:13 Harrison exited

10:13 Harrison Entered

10:19 Martin envered

10:28 Wiehn, Scott, Klassen exited

10:35am Verbal agreement from all board members to enter open session.

10:35 moved for break

10:47 back from break

#### 5. OPEN SESSION

Application Reviews, Recommendations, and Report Out

#### 6. UPDATES AND REPORTS:

#### a. Legislation:

Loving updated the board on the Art Therapy Regulations and the status of them being wrote. LB16 Loving talked about LB 16 and Teresa Hampton gave other department feedback.

- b. Association and Committee Updates:
  - AASCB <a href="http://www.aascb.org">http://www.aascb.org</a>
    Stocking mentioned about the fees not being paid yet. Loving addressed the issues and steps that are being taken.

**MOTION**: Czaja-Stevens moved, seconded by Batter, to enter into closed session at 11:01a.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: Batter, Battleson, Gill, Martin, Czaja-Stevens, Davies, Milander-Mace, Stocking, Meyerle (9). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: (1) Gernant. Abstain: None (0). Motion carried

11:10am Verbal agreement from all board members to enter open session.

- Counseling Compact <a href="https://counselingcompact.org/">https://counselingcompact.org/</a>
   Meyerle update the board the next annual conference is Feb 2025 in South Carolina.
- AMFTRB <a href="http://www.amftrb.org">http://www.amftrb.org</a>
   Battleson reported on the annual meeting.
- ASWB <a href="http://www.aswb.org">http://www.aswb.org</a>
   Loving talked about the first compact meeting that is occurring September 17.
- c. Reports: Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions, Licensure Statistics, Examination Pass/Fail Report (see agenda for reports)

### **7.** Public Comment-no comments

## <u>ADJOURN</u>

Gill declared the meeting adjourned at 11:26 pm; the next meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2024.

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