



NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling

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AGENDA	Revision*	Posted 9.26.23, 9.27.23
<p><u>Date and Time:</u> Thursday October 12, 2023 9:00 a.m.</p> <p><u>Location:</u> State Office Building 301 Centennial Mall South (14th & M) Lincoln, Nebraska Lower Level Room B (Morrill)</p> <p><u>For Information Contact:</u> Carrie Oldehoeft 402-471-2117 Dhhs.licensure 2117@nebraska.gov</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call <u>Announcement:</u> There is a current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted on the door to the meeting room. 2. Adoption of Agenda 3. Approval of Minutes 4. Updates, New Business, and Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report b) International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) https://internationalcredentialing.org c) Reports: Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Actions, License Statistics, Examination Statistics, and Administrative Fees (attached with agenda) 5. Public Comment 6. Closed Session (approx. 9:30 am): Investigative Reports and Confidential Information <u>Purpose:</u> To hear discussions of investigative and confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. 7. Open Session (approx. 11:00 am) Review, Recommendations and Report Out, Applications, Summary of Mail Ballot Votes, and Reinstatements. 8. Closed Session (approximately 11:15 am): Jurisprudence Exam <u>Purpose:</u> To hear discussions of confidential nature. 9. Open Session (approximately 12:00 pm) 10. Adjournment (approx. 12:15) 	

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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:

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2023 Meeting Dates	Room	Time
01.12.2023	LLA/Otoe	9:00 am
04.13.2023	LLB/Morrill	9:00 am
07.13.2023	LLB Morrill	9:00 am
10.12.2023	Goldenrod	9:00 am

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License Statistics:

		SUMMARY COUNT OF LICENSES	
Profession	License Statuses: License Types	Active	Active-Military
Alcohol and Drug C	Alcohol and Drug Counselor	818	1
	Alcohol/Drug Prelim Conviction Review	1	
	Provisional Alcohol and Drug Counselor	434	
	Grand Total	1,253	1

Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Actions since 1.1.2023:

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, LICENSURE UNIT COMPLIANCE LISTING REPORT						
Profession: Alcohol and Drug Counselor					Run Date: 09/26/2023	
Action Start Date Range: 01/01/2023 to 09/26/2023					Page No: Page 1 of 1	
Licensee Name	License No	License Type	License Status	Disciplinary Action	Action Start	Action End
Berry, Cora Simmerman	11	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Revocation	Petition for Disp.Action & Temp Susp	03/31/2023	05/17/2023
Berry, Cora Simmerman	11	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Revocation	Temporary Suspension	04/07/2023	05/17/2023
Bowby-Safronek, Aryn Monet	635	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Active	Nondisciplinary Assurance of Complianc	09/03/2023	
Gilreath, Tanesha Shirlon	830	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Active	Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed	08/14/2023	
Kennedy, Jenna Mane	1343	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Revocation	Revocation	03/11/2023	
Kennedy, Jenna Mane	1343	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Revocation	Amended Petition	01/20/2023	03/01/2023
Leach, Michael Lee	487	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Revocation	Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed	05/17/2023	05/24/2023
Leach, Michael Lee	487	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Revocation	Revocation	05/24/2023	
Leighty, Amber Nicole	P-2004	Provisional Alcohol an	Revocation	Revocation	07/29/2023	
Rodriguez, Andrea Lynn	P-1901	Provisional Alcohol an	Revocation	Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed	01/31/2023	02/02/2023
Rodriguez, Andrea Lynn	P-1901	Provisional Alcohol an	Revocation	Revocation	02/02/2023	
Vasser, Jacqueline Lynna	1340	Alcohol and Drug Cou	Active	Nondisciplinary Assurance of Complianc	06/11/2023	

Examinations:

EXAMINATION STATISTICS SUMMARY REPORT			
Profession: Alcohol and Drug Counselor		Run Date: 09/26/2023	
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Exam Battery	Exam Name	Result Status	Number of Candidates per Result Status
IC & RC Written	IC & RC Written Examination	Pass	36
	IC & RC Written Examination	Fail	2

These minutes have not been approved by the Board

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling
July 13, 2023

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling was called to order by Amy Eigenberg, Chair, at 9:01 a.m., in the Lower Level B (Morrill 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 Licensure Unit Lobby on 7.5.2023.

The following members answered roll call:

Members Present (6):

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

Members Absent (2):

Natasha Robinson, Member
Brian Bierschenk, Member

Staff and Others Present (5):

Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit (in room)
Matt Gelvin, Program Manager, Licensure Unit (via WebEx)
TJ O'Neil, Assistant Attorney General (in room)
Suzanne Glover-Ettrich, DHHS Attorney (via WebEx)
Julianna Lanphier-Willson, DHHS Attorney (in room)

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Duffy, to approve the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Duffy moved, seconded by Colegrove, to approve the minutes. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried.

4. Updates, New Business, and Reports

d) Legislative Session 2023

Oldehoeft discussed legislation that are not specific to Alcohol and Drug Counseling, but could effect the members.

- LB 16 Occupational Reform and Preliminary Conviction Review
https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view_bill.php?DocumentID=49705
- LB 337 Confidentiality
https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view_bill.php?DocumentID=49732

No legislative updates

9:07 am Klaassen – investigations entered room

- e) Continued Discussion Relating to Developing a Jurisprudence Examination
 - Deferring to the next meeting
- f) Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report
 - No report at this time
- g) International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC)
<https://internationalcredentialing.org>
 - Fall annual meeting October 16 & 17.

MOTION: Duffy, moved, seconded by Colegrove, to approved Robinson to be the Nebraska state delegate. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried.

MOTION: Duffy, moved, seconded by Gehrig, to approved funding for Maxson to attend the Annual meeting. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (4). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2), Abstain: Maxson (1). Motion carried.

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

5. IC & RC Entry Level Peer – Board review determined this is not an Alcohol and Drug credential

6. COMMENT

9:27 am Cue, Meyerson, Krueger entered room

6. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Duffy moved, seconded by Cleveland, to enter into closed session at 9:34 a.m. to hear discussions of investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputations of the individuals. Eigenberg repeated the motion purpose. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

10:00 am Duffy exited room

10:07 am Duffy entered room

10:08 am Maxson exited room

10:10 am Cue, Meyerson exited room

10:12 am Cue entered room

10:15 am Duffy and Maxson entered room

10.12.2023

10:15 am Cue exited room

10:25 am Klassen exited room

10:25 am Board break

10:40 am Board returned from break

11:11 am After Board Member agreement, Eigenberg stated the meeting is now in open session

7. REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT OUT

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

Antonia Dorsey- PLADC

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Gehrig, defer for more information. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Jena Schlatz- PLADC

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Gehrig, defer for more information. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Rachel Loyuk

MOTION: Duffy moved, seconded by Gehrig, to issue without any terms or conditions. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Ashley Jessen- PLADC

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Cleveland, to deny the application. Basis for recommendation: Failure to comply with board request for information and Conviction History. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Jennifer Woody - Alcohol and Drug Counselor

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Maxson, issue with probation based on settlement offer for Provisional Alcohol and Drug Counselor. Basis for recommendation: PLADC is currently on probation. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: Maxson (1). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk, (2). Motion carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Eigenberg announced the next meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2023, and declared the meeting adjourned at 11:19 am.

Summarized by:

Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator