

Virginia Board of Counseling Regulatory Advisory Panel Meeting Minutes Friday, March 3, 2023 at 1 p.m. 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233 Board Room 4

PRESIDING OFFICER: Gerard Lawson, Ph.D., LPC, LSATP

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Danielle Hunt, LPC, Vice-Chairperson

Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson

Maria Stransky, LPC, CSAC, CSOTP

BOARD STAFF PRESENT: Charlotte Lenart, Deputy Executive Director

Jaime Hoyle, JD, Executive Director Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director Sandie Cotman, QMHP Program Manager

DHP STAFF PRESENT: Erin Barrett, Director of Legislative Affairs and Policy

Matthew Novak, Policy Analyst

STAKEHOLDER MEMBERS: Alexis Aplasca, MD, FAAP, FAPA, Chief Clinical Officer, Chief Deputy for

Clinical and Quality Management, Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and

Developmental Services (DBHDS)

Becky Bowers-Lanier, Virginia Counselor Association Lobbyist

Mindy Carlin, Executive Director, Virginia Association of Community-Based

Providers

Jennifer Faison, Executive Director, Virginia Association of Community Services

Boards (VACSB)

Jennifer Fidura, Executive Director, Virginia Network of Private Providers (VNPP) Ashely Harrell, LCSW, Senior Program Advisor, Division of Behavioral Health,

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)

Suzanne Klaas, LCSW, Behavioral Health Policy, Behavioral Health Division,

DMAS

Denise Malone, PsyD, BCBA, Chief of Mental Health & Wellness, Department of

Corrections

Liv O'Neal, Program Director, Easter Seals

Laura Reed, LCSW, Behavioral Health Senior Program Advisor, Division of

Behavior Health, DMAS

Lisa Snider, CHC, CHPC, QMHP-A/C, Assistant Director, Loudoun County Department of MHSADS; Virginia Association of Community Services Boards,

Mental Health Council

Frank Valentine, Vice-President of Operations, National Counseling Group

STAKEHOLDER MEMBERS

ABSENT:

Bruce Cruser, Mental Health America of Virginia

PUBLIC ATTENDEES: Rafaella Sale, Resident in Psychology, Center for Evidence-Based Partnerships

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Lawson called the board meeting to order at 1:14 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT: Ms. Hoyle read the mission statement of the Department of Health Professions,

which was also the mission statement of the Board.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: The agenda was adopted as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment provided.

PURPOSE OF THE

REGULATORY ADVISORY

PANEL (RAP):

The purpose of the RAP is for stakeholders to assist in providing context to the Board on the duty and roll of QMHPs and to help the Board consider actions

on the petition for rule making filed by the VACB.

DISCUSSION: The panel discussed the background, education and supervision requirements for

OMHPs.

Panel took a break from 2:33pm to 2:47pm.

NEXT MEETING DATES: Dr. Lawson announced that the Board will need to review and talk about the issues

raised during the Regulatory Advisory Panel (RAP). A second RAP will be

scheduled if the Board decides that another RAP is needed.

ADJOURNMENT: Dr. Lawson adjourned the March 3, 2023 Board meeting at 4:08 pm.

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Jaime Hoyle, JD, Executive Director