

**North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Virtual and Raleigh, NC**  
**10:00am, August 17, 2020**

**Board Members Present: Flo Stein, Kathy Allen, Glenn Buck, Kendra Davis, Michael Daniels, Johnny Bass, Nyi Myint, Anita Daniels, Mike McGuire**

**Staff: Barden Culbreth, Marcie Murfin, Donna Strickland, Randolph Cloud**

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**Call to Order:** Chair Flo Stein called the meeting to order at 10:05am. She gave welcoming remarks and thanked everyone for being on the call.

**Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Statement:** Flo read the Ethics Awareness Statement and asked for potential conflicts of interest with today's business. She also reminded the members about their statement of economic interest (SEI) and requirements to the NC Ethics Commission. Hearing no conflicts, the meeting continued.

**Approval of Agenda:** Flo noted that the only agenda item was to approve the Rules that would be sent to the Rules Review Commission for final approval.

**Consideration of the Rules and Public Comment:** Mike McGuire asked the Board to review the public comments received by the Board office and distributed prior to the meeting.

Many of the comments were technical corrections that the Board agreed it would address either in the final adoption of the Rule or through technical corrections after submission to the Rules Review Commission.

The Board also received a comment from Charles LaCavera on racial injustice issues and asked that the Board review all its rules considering the current emphasis on these issues. Discussion followed.

The Board gave specific attention to 21 NCAC 68 .0216 Background Investigations. Barden pointed out that .0216 had been overridden by the NC General Assembly in the recently concluded legislative session. The Board's legal counsel had written an advisory that is posted on the Board's website. Discussion followed as to why the Board should propose it if the legislature had overturned it. Barden reported that since the Rule had been previously published for comment, it would be easier to continue submission of it and to let the Rules Review Commission to provide guidance than to withdraw it from consideration.

Mike McGuire recommended moving some crimes listed in Rule .0216 to a lower tier in the Rule. Barden asked that the rule be reviewed as part of a larger discussion and changes not to be made today. Flo appointed committee of Mike McGuire and Michael Daniels to review comments from Charles LaCavera.

Mike's comment noted that the rules still have some technical corrections to be addressed. For example, the first drafts missed changing "inservice" [sic] to in-service.

Barden reported that the next comment related to the Rule 21 NCAC 68 .0214 and the specialty additions programs at colleges and universities. Anita Daniels stated that fully online schools should be considered as Criteria C schools and many schools were adding fully online curricula. Kendra Davis discussed how clinical internships are handled within all master's programs. Anita motioned to strike the proposed language requiring a 50% minimum on Criteria C School course work, and further emphasized that they must have a clinical component as part of the degree. Mike McGuire seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.

Anita motioned to approve the remaining Rules as published with technical corrections. Nyi Myint seconded and the remaining rules were unanimously approved.

Michael Daniels asked about next meeting in person. Barden reported he was looking for sites that could accommodate social distancing requirements. He would let the Board know as soon as a site was confirmed. The meeting would be Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjourn:** Kathy Allen motioned to adjourn. Anita seconded, and the meeting ended.