

North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board
Meeting Minutes
Raleigh / Zoom
12:00pm, July 23, 2021

Board Members Present: Michael Daniels, Johnny Bass, Kendra Davis, Anita Daniels, Kathy Allen, and Glenn Buck

Board Members Absent: Excused – Flo Stein, Michael McGuire, Nyi Myint

Staff Present: Barden Culbreth, Katie Gilmore, Marcie Murfin, Nelson Harris, Randolph Cloud

Public Present: Valerie Arendt

[Vice Chair Michael Daniels indicated prior to meeting that he was running a few minutes behind.]

Call to Order: Treasurer Johnny Bass called the meeting to order at 12:15pm.

Glenn Buck announced that he carried Flo Stein and Michael McGuire's proxy votes, if needed.

Ethics Awareness Statement: Executive Director Barden Culbreth read the Ethics Awareness Statement and asked for conflicts or potential conflicts of interest regarding any business before the Board today. Hearing none, the meeting continued.

Approval of Meeting Agenda: Flo had asked previously that the Impaired Professionals Program be removed from New Business for consideration at a latter Board Meeting. Glenn motioned to accept the presented agenda with this amendment. Kendra seconded and the agenda was unanimously approved.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Kathy motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes. Glenn seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Financial Report: Kathy motioned to suspend the reading of the financial report and to accepted as presented. Kendra seconded, and the end of year financial report was unanimously accepted.

Johnny provided an update on the performance of the Board's investments.

He then recognized Barden to present the proposed FY21-22 Budget. Kathy motioned to approve. Glenn seconded the motion, and the Budget was unanimously approved.

[Anita Daniels joined the meeting at 12:35.]

[Michael Daniels joined the meeting at 12:40.]

The Board then moved into Hearings before the Board.

Hearings

Bartley: Mary Heather Bartley appeared in person and presented her case before the Board. Following deliberation, the Board unanimously approved at 3-year suspension of her Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist credential.

Gillespie: Belinda Gillespie did not appear before the Board. This case was previously heard by the Quality Assurance Committee which allowed her to Register to practice but stated it would be up to the

Board to determine her eligibility (based on a criminal conviction) when she met all requirements for Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor credential. Ms. Gillespie immediately requested a pre-determination hearing.

Kendra asked if there were sufficient Board members present who had not previously considered this case in the Quality Assurance Committee. Kathy stated that Kendra did not recuse herself in the previous case which had been previously considered in the Ethics Committee. Discussion followed.

After lengthy discussion, two votes were held.

On the motion to continue considering the case: Yays: M. Daniels, A. Daniels, Bass, Allen, Buck; Nays: Davis.

On the motion to accept the determination from Quality Assurance that she was not eligible for CADC: Yays: M. Daniels, A. Daniels, Bass, Allen, Buck; Nays: Davis.

McDonald: Andrew McDonald did not appear before the Board. Board recommended revocation due to failure to respond to an Ethical Complaint. McDonald signed for and received the complaint. Glenn motioned to revoke McDonald's status. Kathy seconded and the status was revoked.

Prodromidis: Billy Prodromidis did not appear before the Board. Board recommended revocation due to failure to respond to an Ethical Complaint. Michael D. motioned to suspend until he responds. Kathy seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Sharif-Hanifa: Sabriya Sharif-Hanifa did not appear before the Board. Board recommended revocation due to failure to respond. Ms. Sharif-Hanifa previously signed for and received the complaint. Michael D. motioned to revoke her Board status. Glenn seconded and the Board voted unanimously to revoke her credential.

The Hearings portion of the meeting ended and the Board resumed normal order.

Board Chair's Report: None.

Board Office Report: None.

Policy Update: None.

Committee Reports:

Ethics: Kendra provided an update of the continued work of the Ethics Committee, which met several times since the previous Board meeting. Anita motioned to accept the report. Glenn seconded, and the report was unanimously accepted.

Standards: Michael D. provided an update on the application of the Masters of Marriage and Family Therapy's SUD concentration at Appalachian State University. This program was approved. Kendra motioned to accept the report. Anita seconded, and the committee report was unanimously accepted.

Quality Assurance: Anita provided a committee update. They were conducting monthly meetings and had interviewed two applicants with criminal histories. Discussion followed on counselors and applicants participating in medication assisted treatment (MAT). Glenn motioned to accept the committee report. Kendra seconded, and the report was unanimously accepted.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Nelson advised that an election of officers would need to take place next year according to the By-Laws. He advised the Board to consider electing half of the four officers for a two-year term, and the other half for a one-year term, in order to allow annual officer elections as described in the By-Laws.

Discussion followed on appointment terms and officer terms.

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

Next Meeting: 12:00pm, October 22, 2021.