

North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board
Raleigh, NC
Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2023

Members Present: Flo Stein, Kendra Davis, Johnny Bass, Stephanie Robinson, Kathy Allen, and Nyi Myint

Members Absent: Mike McGuire and Glenn Buck (both excused)

Staff: Barden, Marcie, Randolph, Catherine Lee, Carrie, Lynn Bodenheimer

Public: MariTess Breslerman (Zoom)

Call to Order: Chair Flo Stein called the meeting to order.

Ethics Statement: Flo reminded the Board members of their obligation to report conflicts or appearances of conflicts. Hearing no conflicts with any of the matters before the Board today, the meeting continued.

Approval of Agenda: Stephanie motioned to approve. Johnny seconded and the agenda was approved.

Hearing: Flo moved the meeting into a hearing to consider the application of MariTess Breslerman. The Board deliberated, then resumed normal order.

Johnny motioned to deny the application. Anita seconded the motion, and the motion to deny carried.

Kendra motioned that the Board add a fitness to practice examination as part of any reapplication process. Anita seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Kathy motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Anita seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Approval of the Financial Report: Barden provided an update on the Board financial performance for the quarter. The revenue and expenses were on par with previous years.

Johnny provided a report on the Board's investments, which were in line with the poor performance of the stock market overall. We were performing better than most indexes. Our total return has been 7% - 8% since inception in 2017. Kathy motioned to approve the report. Stephanie seconded and the report was approved.

Board Chair Report: Flo reported that Terry Steele, an early pioneer in drug counseling certification, passed away recently.

Flo reported that Katie would be leaving the office staff at the end of the month, and Donna Strickland, who has been working part-time for the Board, would be coming on full time.

Government Affairs report: Randolph Cloud provided a report that the legislature has returned to Raleigh. He discussed occupational licensing reform efforts. Kathy reported that she has contacted lots of legislators and they encouraged more contact from constituents.

Board Orientation / Training: The Board held its 93B training provided by the Board's legal counsel.

Committee Reports:

Ethics – Myint shared a slide of the current open cases.

Standards – Stephanie provided an update from the committee activities since the July meeting (no report due to scheduling in October). The committee is reviewing the Criteria C audit schedule and will be looking at all approved programs. They are working on a plan to make sure institutional knowledge is not lost as Board staff transitions.

The last audit of a Criteria C school was in 2016.

Quality Assurance Committee – Anita provided an update on their monthly meetings with applicants with serious criminal histories. The Board attorneys have developed a question flow-chart and that was helping direct the committee's interviews.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Kendra reported that she had received an email from someone impersonating Flo asking for Board information. The Board discussed scams and phishing attempts.

Stephanie volunteered to be the IC&RC liaison for the Board.

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

Next Meetings in 2023: April 21, July 21, and October 27