



**NCASPPB**  
North Carolina Addictions Specialist  
Professional Practice Board

Meeting Minutes  
Raleigh / Zoom  
12:00pm, June 23, 2023

Board members Present: Flo Stein, Kendra Davis, Kathy Allen, Nyi Myint, Stephanie Robinson, and Glenn Buck

Board Members Absent: Johnny Bass, Mike McGuire, and Anita Daniels

Staff: Barden Culbreth, Donna Strickland, Randolph Cloud, Catherine Lee, Grant Simpkins, and Carrie Duhon

Public: Valerie Arendt

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**Call to Order and Introductions:** Chair Flo Stein called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Ethics Awareness Statement:** Flo asked for any conflicts of interest or appearances of conflict. Hearing none, the meeting continued.

**Approval of Agenda:** Kathy motioned to approve the agenda. Glenn seconded the motion and the agenda was approved.

**Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes:** Kathy motioned to approve. Kendra seconded the motion and the meeting continued.

**Proposed FY23/24 Budget:** Barden presented the proposed budget. Kathy motioned to approve the budget. Kendra seconded the motion, and the budget was approved unanimously.

**Board Chair Report:** None.

**Board Office Report:** Barden discussed the new LCAS flow. Kendra asked if the Board has a new certificate. Barden reported that there was a new design being used. Kathy asked if it was the same one that was on the online verification tool. Barden reported that there was an e-certificate found online, and there was also one that was mailed out for new licenses and renewals; and that these were two different versions.

**Government and Policy Report:** Randolph reported on activities at the General Assembly. Discussion followed on Medicaid Expansion and passage of the budget. Glenn and Flo talked about LME consolidation and DHR regulation enforcement on agencies. Discussion followed.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:** Kathy presented that there was discussion in a previous meeting about Qualified Professionals (QP), and it was unclear what constituted a QP. Barden and Donna reported that they would share the statutory definition of this from the Division of MH/DD/SS. Flo discussed that lack of uniformity across the states exacerbates this issue. Glenn reported that this was designation that

predated the Board. Valerie spoke about how the social work field was dealing with this issue. Stephanie reported that the mental health counseling professions were also dealing with this issue of varying occupational licenses that are trying to absorb these QP's with varying skills and credentials.

**Hearing on Recommended Decision for James McGoogan:** McGoogan and his counsel did not appear in person to present oral arguments. Kathy motioned to table discussion on this case until the July meeting. Glenn seconded. Discussion followed. Stephanie noted that the Board needed to consider the protection of the public if there was potential for that. Myint noted that the respondent did have due process granted to him. The Board then voted, and the motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Kathy motioned to adjourn. Kendra seconded and then meeting ended.