

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board  
Board Minutes  
November 9, 2020**

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Chair Deb Stidham at 10:00 a.m.

**I. Roll Call.**

**Board Members.** Members present by zoom: David Anderson, Mary Jones, Jacqueline Lightcap, Johnna Norton, Bruce Nystrom, Andrea Perdomo-Morales, Leslie Sewester, Laura Shaughnessy, Deb Stidham and Carolyn Szafran.

**II. BSRB Staff.** Staff present by zoom: Max Foster, Leslie Allen, Cindy D’Ercole, Janet Arndt, David Fye and Ashley VanBuskirk.

**III. Guests.** Representative Elizabeth Bishop, Kerry Brock, Becky Fast, Jessica Huber.

**IV. Agenda Approval.** Deb Stidham would like to move Representative Elizabeth Bishop’s concerns to right after agenda approval and add to the agenda under new business, meeting schedule for 2021. Mary Jones motioned to approve agenda as amended. Leslie Sewester seconded. The motion passed.

**V. Representative Elizabeth Bishop – Mental Health Services in Underserved Areas.** Representative Bishop spoke to the Board about the need for mental health services in underserved areas in Kansas.

**VI. Minutes Approval.** Leslie Sewester motioned to approve the September 16, 2020 minutes as written. Johnna Norton seconded. The motion passed. For the October 27, 2020 minutes add Jacqueline Lightcap to the section after the board came back from executive session. Carolyn Szafran motioned to approve October 27, 2020 minutes as amended. Mary Jones seconded. The motion passed.

**VII. Public Comments.**

- Kerry Brock began clinical supervision hours last winter and would like to request more hours be able to be done by telehealth.
- Jessica Huber wants to know if her application for reciprocity will be passed by Kansas board since the state she is currently in will not fill out what Kansas requires.
- Becky Fast talked about colleges with accreditations and how there are very few colleges that are not accredited.

**VIII. Executive Director’s Report.**

- Max submitted budget on time and we should receive the budget recommendations from the Division of the Budget shortly.
- Spoke about the non-cabinet executive director meeting.

- There are a few meetings Max attended virtually for AASCB and ASWB Administrators Forum. Talked briefly about what was in those meetings.
- Max and Leslie had multiple zoom meetings with students at different universities including Wichita State, Fort Hays State, Washburn and KU.
- David Fye starts as Executive Director in the office 11/16/2020. Max's last day in the office is Friday, January 8, 2021.

**IX. Staff Reports.** Leslie Allen gave a brief report of how our new database has been functioning. Still has a few glitches, but meeting weekly with Jesse to get everything functioning properly.

**X. Complaint Review Committee Report.** The Complaint Review Committee met in October. Bruce gave a brief report on the number of violations we have received. Have had a spike in complaints recently.

**XI. Professions Reports.**

**A. Psychology.** Deb Stidham gave a brief report for Ric Steele regarding what the committee last discussed. Next meeting scheduled for December.

**B. Social Work.** Andrea Perdomo-Morales noted that the social work advisory committee suggested lowering the direct client contact required in practicum from 350 to 200 hours. Will discuss supervision training plan requirements at the next meeting. Next meeting scheduled for December.

**C. Professional Counseling.** Laura Shaughnessy gave a brief report of what the committee discussed in October. The committee discussed language on a few regulations and will discuss more at their next meeting to finalize wording. Next meeting scheduled for December.

**D. Master's Level Psychology.** David Anderson talked about what the committee discussed in October. Two new advisory committee members. Talked about a couple of issues regarding educational requirements and how out-of-state applicants have difficulties applying with Kansas requirements. Licensure renewal issues with CEU's due to COVID. Will discuss further at next meeting. Next meeting scheduled for December.

**E. Marriage and Family Therapy.** None. Next meeting scheduled for November 20, 2020.

**F. Addiction Counseling.** Deb Stidham noted that the committee met in October and continued to review curriculum. Discussed the role of telephonic counseling. Will be reviewing possible new committee members. Next meeting scheduled for December.

**G. Behavior Analysis.** None.

**XII. Old Business.**

- The Board continued their discussion regarding the Board's Legislative Agenda for 2021 session. Will resurrect the bill from last legislative session that did not get a hearing due to COVID. Discussed some regulation language.

**XIII. New Business.**

- Deb Stidham appointed Christina Boyd and Shona Shook to the Addiction Counselor Advisory Committee.
- The board discussed how records should be handled when a professional passes away. Max contacted other regulatory board to see if they have statutes regarding this. Will get additional information and bring it back to the next board meeting.

**XIV. Meeting Schedule for 2021.** The Board will continue to meet every other month through 2021. Will continue to meet at 10:00 a.m. The Board will hold a meeting on December 21, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss statutes and regulations.

**XV. Adjourn.** Leslie Sewester motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mary Jones seconded. The motion passed.