



South Dakota Board of Examiners for Counselors & Marriage and Family Therapists

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South Dakota Board of Examiners for Counselors & Marriage and Family Therapists
Via Videoconference
October 14, 2022

President Rice Brinkworth called the meeting to order at 9:01 am central and determined a quorum.

Board Members Present via Videoconference: Lynell Rice Brinkworth, Tiffany Butler, Cheryl Hartman, Jill Janecke, Roswitha Konz, Woody Schrenk; Jay Trenhaile and Jeff Wagen.

Board Members Absent: Maureen Gustafson

Others Present via Videoconference: Jennifer Stalley, Executive Secretary, Karen Cudmore, administrative staff; Kaitlynn Kelly, administrative staff; Court Roper, Board Legal Counsel, Department of Social Services; Erin Handke, Assistant Attorney General; Tracy Mercer, Department of Social Services; Brenda Tidball-Zeltinger, Department of Social Services; Ellen Nelson.

Motion to approve the proposed agenda by Trenhaile. Seconded by Konz. **Motion carried.**

Rice Brinkworth asked for comments from the public. There were no comments offered.

Motion to approve the Board meeting minutes of September 30, 2022 with a correction to the listing of Board members in attendance, by Konz. Seconded by Trenhaile. **Motion carried.**

Motion to approve the Administrative Rule Hearing minutes of September 30, 2022, by Hartman. Seconded by Trenhaile. **Motion carried.**

Rice Brinkworth noted the time and place for the hearing in the matter of the Licensed Professional Counselor-Mental Health Licensure Application of E. Nelson. Nelson appeared before the Board and presented information concerning her Licensed Professional Counselor – Mental Health licensure application.

Motion to go into executive session for consideration of contested cases at 10:05am by Trenhaile. Seconded by Butler. **Motion carried.**

Rice Brinkworth declared the Board out of executive session at 11:43am.

Motion to approve the Licensed Professional Counselor by Endorsement application for V. Scott by Wangen. Seconded by Hartman. **Motion carried**

Motion to consolidate Complaints 2021-11 and 2022-01 and require Jessica Kaiser to undergo a psychological examination for social, emotional, mental health and personality issues by a board approved licensed professional, to be scheduled within 60 days, and follow the recommendations of

that evaluation; to be supervised by a board approved supervisor for a period of two years, to begin within 60 days; to engage in personal counseling or therapy with a board approved licensed provider for a period of two years and follow the recommendations of the provider or until the provider recommends otherwise; to complete six hours of board approved continuing education within 6 months in the categories of (total of 24 continuing education hours): suicide risk assessment and planning, documentation and session preparation, power differentials in a counseling relationship, and appropriate self-disclosure by counselors, with the continuing education to be in addition to the continuing education necessary to renew Kaiser's licenses; and to be ineligible to serve as a board approved supervisor for two years, as conditions of maintaining her professional counselor and marriage and family therapist licenses by Schrenk. Seconded by Trenhaile. **Motion carried.** Butler and Konz recused.

Motion to affirm the determination that educational courses previously provided by Ellen Nelson do not meet the education requirements for licensure as a professional counselor-mental health and Nelson must complete a CACREP accredited course in the Foundations of Mental Health to meet the educational requirements for licensure as a professional counselor-mental health by Butler. Seconded by Hartman. **Motion carried.** Trenhaile and Janecke recused.

Motion to approve the American Association of Christian Counselors as provider for continuing education by Butler. Seconded by Hartman. **Motion carried.** Schrenk abstained.

Motion to nominate Butler for President and Schrenk for Vice President by Hartman. Seconded by Konz. **Motion carried.**

Stalley provided an office update. License renewal is underway and is exclusively online for licensee. Board approved supervisors are renewing with a paper application to confirm supervisees. Continuing education audits will take place in January 2023. The final step in the administrative rule change process takes place on November 1st with the Interim Rules Review Committee meeting. Karen Cudmore's last day with the office is October 14th. Kaitlynn Kelly is assuming Cudmore's role for the Board.

The Board thanked Cudmore for her work and service to the Board.

Stalley provided an update on the counseling compact. An update on the fall meeting of the states that have adopted the compact will be provided at the next Board meeting.

No additional updates were provided by Department of Social Services.

The Board recognized outgoing members Lynell Rice Brinkworth and Roswitha Konz and thanked them for their service to the Board for the past nine years.

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2022 at 9:00am (cst).

Motion to adjourn by Trenhaile. Seconded by Wangen. **Motion carried.**

The Board adjourned at 12:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Stalley

Jennifer Stalley, Executive Secretary

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