

KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PASTORAL COUNSELORS
Regular Board Meeting
August 27, 2021
1:00 pm

The Board meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Pastoral Counselors was held on August 27, 2021 via Zoom Conference call.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Jonathan Carroll
Elizabeth Ellis, Chair
Crystal Shepherd
Gerry Hearn
Andrew Cole

DEPT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

Kevin Winstead, Commissioner
Plato Chukpue-Padmores, Board Administrator
Chessica Nation, Administrative section supervisor
Tiler Hahn

Members Absent

OTHERS

Shandeep Dutta, Board Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Ellis called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. followed by self-introduction.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

After review of the minutes, Mr. Hearn made a motion to accept March 2021 meeting minutes. Mr. Cole seconded the motion and it carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Board reviewed and discussed the financial reports. No action was taken

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING REPORT

Mr. Winstead mentioned that our Board meetings are now hybrid. Board members can attend the meeting in-person at will but must follow the mask mandate. Commissioner Winstead also mentioned that we are in the budget planning stage and DPL is open to answer any question from the Board. In his final remarks, commissioner Winstead mentioned that we are still in the state of emergency and information will be sent to licensees when the grace period is over and they need to pay for license renewals.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT

None.

Licensure Status Report

The Board reviewed the licensure status report. No action was taken.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Ms. Ellis mentioned that the board is still open to questions and inquiry about new applications and that she would be happy to answer any question about the process.

Ms. Ellis suggested that the short application form be removed from the Board's website.

Old Business

Updating the Application for Licensure

After discussion about the updating the application, Mr. Dutta shared with the Board that he will present the information to Ms. Boggs and Mr. Winstead to proceed with this process. He also mentioned that the process for doing this is time consuming and it could take months. The Board instructed the Board Counsel to present a draft of the updated Application and Regulation at the next Board meeting.

QMHP List Question

The Board decided that each member should help lobby with their respective law makers or stakeholders within QMHP to help with the process of adding pastoral counselors on the list.

New Business

Telehealth

Ms. Ellis asked the Board council about telehealth practices if a client is in another state. Mr. Dutta mentioned that a licensed Pastoral counselor must contact the licensing Board from the other state to ask about process. The Board discussed that the primary and only concern is for practice in the state of Kentucky. The Board received clarification that the practice occurs where the client is physically located.

CPE Hours

The Board agreed that one hour of counseling hour should equal 45 minutes or more and that CPE supervisor should be licensed according to the regulation of Pastoral Counselors guidelines. The candidate must log their counseling hour and have a separate counseling from their visit and applicant must be post masters.

Question about exam

The Board agreed to continue proctor exams via zoom until it can be set online.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Carroll made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Cole seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Board adjourned at 2:33 p.m.