

Oklahoma State Board of Behavioral Health Licensure (BBHL)

**Minutes of Special Board Meeting
Friday, December 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.**

Open Meeting Act: Announcement of filing of meeting and posting agenda in Accordance with the Open Meeting Act. Announcement of the meeting was filed with the Secretary of State on October 10, 2022, and the agenda was posted on December 5, 2023, on the front door of the Centennial Business Center and on the BBHL website.

Kelly Collins called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. at 313 NE 21st St. OKC, OK 73105. A quorum was met with the presence of the following board members: Laressa Beliele, Johnie Fredman, Matthew Brosi, Kelly Collins, Lea May, Alice Caldwell, and Christopher Giles. Board members not in attendance are Amy Barnett, Brenda Ototivo, Hamel “HBR” Reinmiller and Traylor Rains. Other’s present were Liz Stevens, Assistant Attorney General; Eric Ashmore, Executive Director; and Stephanie Miller, Office Manager. Arden Nerius enters Board meeting to serve as legal advisor to the Board for agenda item 6.

4. Matthew Brosi makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from October 6, 2023. Laressa Beliele seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Abstain |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |
| Christopher Giles- | Yes |
| Kelly Collins- | Yes |

5. Ms. Stevens presents information on State of Oklahoma, ex rel., State Board of Behavioral Health Licensure v. Rico Childs, LPC #7391, Complaint Number 2023-LPC-287. Rico Childs is not present. Ms. Stevens recommends accepting the agreed order that Mr. Childs signed. Johnie Fredman makes a motion to accept the agreed order. Matthew Brosi seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Yes |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |

Christopher Giles- Yes
Kelly Collins- Yes

6. Kelly Collins presented Individual Proceeding for Complaint Number 2023-LPC-270, State of Oklahoma, ex rel., State Board of Behavioral Health Licensure v. Valerie Scarberry, LPC # 5058. Valerie Scarberry is present and with legal representation Allan Grubb, Esq. Ms. Stevens presents opening statement and one witness 1-Valerie Scarberry and introduced exhibits listed below into evidence. Mr. Grubb presents opening statement and one witness 1-Valerie Scarberry and introduced exhibits listed below into evidence. Ms. Scarberry was sworn in to testify.

Ms. Stevens questions the witness about the Cleveland County District Court case CF-2022-1241 and admits document into evidence as exhibit one. Ms. Stevens then questions witness about Plea of Guilty Summary of Facts for case CF-2022-1241 and admits document into evidence as exhibit two. Mr. Grubb objects to the admittance of exhibit two as not certified. Objection withdrawn by Mr. Grubb once confirmed document is certified.

Mr. Grubb questions the witness about the plea agreement for case CF-2022-1241 and the actions leading up to the charges being filed against the witness. Mr. Grubb questions witness about letter from Mickey Joe Edward Richardson to Mr. Grubb and admits document into evidence as exhibit one. Ms. Stevens objects to the admittance of exhibit one as not able to verify. Objection withdrawn by Ms. Stevens once verified the postage stamp and date on the envelope of letter submitted. Mr. Grubb questions the witness about the Protective Order filed in Pottawatomie County on September 21, 2021 CP-2021-04-038 and admits document into evidence as exhibit two. Mr. Grubb questions the witness about the Protective Order filed in Pottawatomie County on November 4, 2021 CP-2021-244 and admits document into evidence as exhibit three. Mr. Grubb questions witness about Shawnee Police Department incident report #2204469 on October 31, 2022 and admits document into evidence as exhibit four.

Break at 10:47 am

Return from break at 10:59 am

Mr. Grubb questions witness about a letter from Little Axe Health Center Marvin Smith, therapist for Ms. Scarberry dated March 20, 2023 and admits document into evidence as exhibit nine. Ms. Stevens objects to the admittance of the document. Objection overruled and exhibit is admitted into evidence. Mr. Grubb questions witness about a letter from Little Axe Health Center Marvin Smith, therapist for Ms. Scarberry dated March 25, 2023 and admits document into evidence as exhibit eleven. Mr. Stevens objects to the admittance of the document. Objection overruled and exhibit is admitted into evidence.

Johnie Fredman makes a motion to go into Executive Session at 11:32 am. Laressa Beliele seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Yes |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |
| Christopher Giles- | Yes |
| Kelly Collins- | Yes |

Matthew Brosi makes a motion to come out of Executive Session at 12:25 pm. Laressa Beliele seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Yes |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |
| Christopher Giles- | Yes |
| Kelly Collins- | Yes |

Break at 12:26 pm

Return from break at 12:29 pm

Johnie Fredman makes a motion that the Prosecution has established by clear and convincing evidence each of the factual allegations contained in paragraphs 1-4 of the complaint and those factual allegations are adopted as the Board's finding of facts. Each of the conclusions of law contained in paragraphs 1-4 of the complaint is supported by clear and convincing evidence and by law and those conclusions are adopted as the Board's conclusions of law. The following penalty is entered by the Board against the Respondent an Administrative Fine of \$2,000 is hereby assessed and the Respondent's license is hereby Revoked. This order shall be effective on the date the written order is issued following the review and approval of the Oklahoma Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 2015-33. Matthew Brosi seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Yes |

Johnie Fredman- Yes
Christopher Giles- Yes
Kelly Collins- Yes

Matthew Brosi makes a motion to adjourn the disciplinary hearing. Johnie Fredman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Matthew Brosi- Yes
Laressa Beliele- Yes
Alice Caldwell- Yes
Lea May- Yes
Johnie Fredman- Yes
Christopher Giles- Yes
Kelly Collins- Yes

7. Ms. Stevens states her, and the Attorney for Ms. Beatty have agreed to continue this matter to the February 9, 2024, Board Meeting. Item tabled to the February 9, 2024, Board meeting. No action taken.

Arden Nerius exits Board meeting at 12:32 pm.

Break at 12:36 pm

Return from break at 12:41 pm

8. Mr. Ashmore presents his Executive Director's report, which includes the following:
- a. Update on Requests for Inquiry
 - b. Update on Licensure/Application Statistics
 - c. Update on General Licensure/Application Statistics

Since no motion was made, no action taken.

9. Matthew Brosi makes a motion to accept all candidates for licensure. Alice Caldwell seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Matthew Brosi- Yes
Laressa Beliele- Yes
Alice Caldwell- Yes
Lea May- Yes
Johnie Fredman- Yes
Christopher Giles- Yes

Kelly Collins- Yes

LICENSE TYPE: Licensed Professional Counselor

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| 1. Aebi Becky | 25. Flores Araceli | 49. Patterson Carl |
| 2. Allen Sierra | 26. Ford Tracy | 50. Penny Jennifer |
| 3. Bakare Yewande | 27. Frederick Leerisa | 51. Quaranta-Leech Amber |
| 4. Barger Trevor | 28. Gearhart Kristin | 52. Redlich Kimberly |
| 5. Bean Rory | 29. Givens Sharhonda | 53. Reed Heather |
| 6. Berkenbile Courtney | 30. Goelz Christy | 54. Rhoades Melinda |
| 7. Bowen Heather | 31. Green Alicia | 55. Richard Alisia |
| 8. Brewer DeShawn | 32. Guzman Samuel | 56. Richards II Christopher |
| 9. Briery Jonathan | 33. Hall Carly | 57. Rose Kamber |
| 10. Brown Trenisha | 34. Hughes Amanda | 58. Saied Baylee |
| 11. Byars-Griffin Lauren | 35. Hundley Thomas | 59. Seibert Shellie |
| 12. Carey Stephanie | 36. Jenkins Felecia | 60. Sharp Deborah |
| 13. Case Amanda | 37. Jester Taylor | 61. Shelton Lauren |
| 14. Checorski Cayla | 38. Kap Pau | 62. Slavens Destiny |
| 15. Corken Kelsey | 39. LaSpina Jeffrey | 63. Strickland Kathryn |
| 16. Cunningham Ashlee | 40. Liu Qinghe | 64. Stober Daniel |
| 17. Daniels Brittany | 41. Martinez Deanna | 65. Taylor Edward |
| 18. Dawes Samantha | 42. Mattson Amelia | 66. Taylor Rhonda |
| 19. Dean Colby | 43. McBride ML | 67. Titamohkumi Kuna |
| 20. Dodson Meghan | 44. McFeely Kristen | 68. Trotter Jessica |
| 21. Douglass Rebecca | 45. Moore Casie | 69. Vernor Stephanie |
| 22. Dublin Shandalyn | 46. Northam Celeste | 70. White Kimberly |
| 23. Farahani Sandra | 47. Oliver Addison | 71. Whitmer Amber |
| 24. Fleischer Kimberly | 48. Owens Crystal | |

LICENSE TYPE: Licensed Marital and Family Therapist

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| 1. Bowers Derek | 6. Marlow Michelle | 9. Rodriquez-Blash Syita |
| 2. Gagner Jordyn | 7. Matheney Yolanda | Tarre |
| 3. Gilbert Sierra | 8. Newcomer Fengju | 10. Shawn Shelbie |
| 4. Hodges Sally | Zhang | 11. Steward Joshua |
| 5. Luttrell Michelle | | |

10. The LPC Licensure Committee presents their recommendations for the LPC graduate degree. Laressa Beliele makes a motion to deem Colorado State University M.S. Psychology a non-qualifying degree for LPC. Johnie Fredman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |

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| Lea May- | Yes |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |
| Christopher Giles- | Yes |
| Kelly Collins- | Yes |

11. The LPC Licensure Committee presents their recommendations for LPC coursework. Johnie Fredman makes a motion to approve the University of Central Oklahoma M.Ed. School and Professional Counseling coursework as presented. Laressa Beliele seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Yes |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |
| Christopher Giles- | Yes |
| Kelly Collins- | Yes |

12. The LMFT Licensure Committee presents their recommendations for LMFT coursework. Matthew Brosi makes a motion to approve the University of Central Oklahoma M.S. Marriage and Family Therapy and M.Ed. Interdisciplinary Studies/MFT. Christopher Giles seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Yes |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |
| Christopher Giles- | Yes |
| Kelly Collins- | Yes |

13. Johnie Fredman makes a motion to approve the reduction of 2000 hours for Erica Ferguson. Laressa Beliele seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Matthew Brosi- | Yes |
| Laressa Beliele- | Yes |
| Alice Caldwell- | Yes |
| Lea May- | Yes |
| Johnie Fredman- | Yes |
| Christopher Giles- | Yes |

Kelly Collins- Yes

14. Johnie Fredman makes a motion to approve the new continuing education provider applications received since the last board meeting as presented. Matthew Brosi seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Matthew Brosi- Yes
Laressa Beliele- Yes
Alice Caldwell- Yes
Lea May- Yes
Johnie Fredman- Yes
Christopher Giles- Yes
Kelly Collins- Yes

15. Mr. Ashmore presents information of the Counseling Compacts requirements for the FBI background check to be completed as a part of the application process. Mr. Ashmore states that in accordance with current policies that we accept the FBI background check electronically as we do the current OSBI background check and that the completed document must be within 30 days of the application submission date. Johnie Fredman makes a motion to add the FBI background check in accordance with current policies and procedures and the effective date of this requirement will be January 1, 2024. Kelly Collins seconds the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Matthew Brosi- Yes
Laressa Beliele- Yes
Alice Caldwell- Yes
Lea May- Yes
Johnie Fredman- Yes
Christopher Giles- Yes
Kelly Collins- Yes

16 Matthew Brosi makes a motion to adjourn. Lea May seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Matthew Brosi- Yes
Laressa Beliele- Yes
Alice Caldwell- Yes
Lea May- Yes
Johnie Fredman- Yes
Christopher Giles- Yes

Kelly Collins- Yes

Adjournment Time 1:08 pm