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9	STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS,
10	MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS,
11	AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS
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2 1 State Board of Social Workers, 2 Marriage and Family Therapists, 3 and Professional Counselors 4 July 15, 2020 5 6 7 BOARD MEMBERS: 8 9 Joy E. Corby, Ph.D., LMFT, Chair 10 K. Kalonji Johnson, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of 11 Professional and Occupational Affairs 12 Michelle Santiago, Psy.D., LPC, Vice Chair 13 Renee J. Cardone, MSW, LCSW 14 Jeanne Elberfeld, M.D., LSW 15 Christian Jordal, Ph.D., LMFT Amy K. Keisling, LCSW - Absent 16 17 Kurt L. Kraus, Ed.D., NCC, ACS, LPC 18 Linda A. Martin, LCSW, RN -Absent 19 Marilyn L. Painter, Public Member 20 21 22 BUREAU PERSONNEL: 23 24 Dana M. Wucinski, Esquire, Board/Regulatory Counsel 25 Cynthia K. Montgomery, Esquire, Deputy Chief 26 Counsel/Regulatory Counsel, Department of State 27 Heather J. McCarthy, Esquire, Board Prosecution 28 Liaison 29 J. Karl Geschwindt, Esquire, Board Prosecutor Colby B. Widdowson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor 30 31 Garrett A. Rine, Esquire, Board Prosecutor 32 Sandra E. Matter, Board Administrator 33 Theodore Stauffer, Executive Assistant, Bureau of 34 Professional and Occupational Affairs 35 Marc Farrell, Deputy Policy Director, Department of 36 State 37 Jack Tubiello, Intern, Prosecution 38 39 40 ALSO PRESENT: 41 42 Lindsey Mauldin, Special Assistant to the Pennsylvania 43 Secretary of Health 44 Johanna Byrd, ACSW, IOM, CAE, Executive Director, National Association of Social Workers, Pennsylvania 45 46 Chapter 47 Cara Sanner, Regulatory Support Services Coordinator, 48 Association of Social Work Boards 49 Athena O. Pappas, Esquire, Deasey, Mahoney, 50 & Valentini

3 * * * 1 State Board of Social Workers, 2 3 Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors 4 July 15, 2020 5 * * * 6 7 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State 8 Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family 9 Therapists, and Professional Counselors was held on 10 Wednesday, July 15, 2020. Joy E. Corby, Ph.D., LMFT, 11 Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. * * * 12 Introduction 13 14 [Chair Corby requested everyone introduce themselves.] * * * 15 16 Report of Board Prosecutorial Division 17 [J. Karl Geschwindt, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, 18 presented the Consent Agreements for Case No. 17-69-19 02248 and Case Nos. 19-69-010558, 19-69-018626, 20-69-20 000138, & 20-69-002595.] * * * 21 22 [Colby B. Widdowson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, 23 presented the Consent Agreement for Case No. 18-69-24 005170. 25 Athena O. Pappas, Esquire, Deasey, Mahoney, &

Valentini, counsel for the respondent, was present 1 2 regarding Case No. 18-69-005170.] * * * 3 [Heather J. McCarthy, Esquire, Board Prosecution 4 5 Liaison, informed the Board of the tentative beginning 6 of engaging an in-house consulting expert to assist 7 prosecutors with social work cases one day a month. She explained the individual would be licensed under 8 9 the Board and ideally the Board of Psychology. 10 Ms. McCarthy stated the individual would help in 11 the initial stage of reviewing complaints to save time 12 and money. She commented that volume was expected to 13 be minimal, and it would make more sense to have one 14 person in that role, rather than two.] * * * 15 16 Report of Board Counsel 17 [Dana M. Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, noted the 18 Board would be discussing the consent agreements 19 presented today, along with agenda items 5 through 7 20 and 13 through 16 during executive session. 21 Ms. Wucinski also noted she would be discussing 22 Act 53 of 2020 and 16A-6923 regarding general 23 revisions, and Ms. Montgomery would be discussing 2.4 16A-6919 regarding the child abuse reporting 25 requirements.]

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* * * 1 Report of Regulatory Board Counsel 2 3 [Cynthia K. Montgomery, Esquire, Deputy Chief 4 Counsel/Regulatory Counsel, Department of State, 5 addressed 16A-6919 regarding the revised child abuse 6 reporting requirement regulations. She stated the 7 Board of Dentistry's version of the regulation had been fully approved and would be published soon. 8 Ms. Montgomery addressed the Board's requested 9 10 revisions to §§ 47.53, 48.53, and 49.53 concerning to 11 photographs, medical tests, and X-rays of the child 12 subject to the report. She noted changes in both the 13 preamble and the annex. 14 Ms. Montgomery stated the section was renamed to 15 eliminate the medical test and X-rays, where licensees 16 of this Board are not authorized to determine that 17 medical tests and X-rays are clinically indicated as 18 required by the Child Protective Services Law or to 19 order such tests and X-rays. 20 Ms. Cardone recommended stating that clinical social workers should not be doing that work also.] 21 * * * 22 23 MS. MONTGOMERY: 24 The vote would be to promulgate the 25 proposed rulemaking through the

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6 1 regulatory process with that correction. 2 CHAIR CORBY: 3 Do I have a motion? DR. SANTIAGO: 4 5 I make a motion. 6 CHAIR CORBY: 7 Do I have a second? 8 DR. JORDAL: 9 Second. 10 CHAIR CORBY: 11 All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? 12 [The motion carried unanimously.] 13 * * * 14 Report of Board Counsel (Continued) 15 [Dana M. Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, referred to the enactment of Act 53 of 2020 to create a fair and 16 modern set of rules for consideration of criminal 17 18 records in occupational licensing and to remove 19 unnecessary barriers in employment. 20 Ms. Wucinski stated the Board does review 21 criminal convictions when looking at applications by 22 looking at moral character and crimes of moral 23 turpitude. She mentioned Act 52 of 2020 replaces that 24 language and creates a whole new set of standards in how the Board will look at criminal records. 25

Ms. Wucinski noted that § 3112 of Act 53 relates 1 2 restricted licenses for barbers and cosmetologists for the Board's review. She stated many of these 3 4 licensees actually gain training and licensure through 5 rehabilitation programs in state prisons. She 6 commented that it is difficult to restrict a licensee 7 when they receive their education and training in prison as part of a rehabilitation program. The idea 8 9 is that when they are released from prison, they 10 should have a chance to be licensed.

11 Ms. Wucinski referred to § 3113 regarding 12 consideration of criminal convictions. She stated 13 this will be the procedure that the Board would follow 14 when determining whether an individual with a criminal 15 conviction qualifies for licensure. She noted that the Board would no longer consider good moral character, 16 17 crimes of moral turpitude, or unethical or dishonest 18 practice.

Ms. Wucinski noted the Board would need to make preliminary determination of whether certain crimes has a direct bearing on the fitness or ability to perform duties of the profession. She stated it will be the responsibility of the Board to promulgate regulations and come up with a comprehensive list of crimes that have a direct bearing on the fitness or

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1 ability to practice the profession.

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2	Ms. Wucinski stated, if an applicant is convicted
3	of a crime that is on that schedule or list of
4	offenses, the Board will have to conduct an
5	individualized assessment to determine whether
6	licensure of the individual poses a substantial risk
7	to clients, patients, or to the public. She stated,
8	if the crime is on the list, there becomes a
9	rebuttable presumption that the applicant can then
10	challenge.
11	Ms. Wucinski stated, if the applicant is
12	convicted of a crime that is not on the list of
13	offenses, the Board would make an individualized
14	assessment based on the nature of the criminal
15	conviction. She noted that for some professions,
16	there would be a permanent bar for sexual offenses.
17	Ms. Wucinski mentioned the Board currently can
18	impose a 10-year automatic suspension for felony
19	convictions under the drug act, which was going to
20	change slightly under Section 11(e) of the Board's
21	act. She stated the automatic suspensions would only
22	occur if the criminal conviction is for drug
23	trafficking offenses as defined by the Act.
24	Dr. Santiago questioned whether this has any
25	effect on trainees or students who are in programs

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1	before they make the application for licensure.
2	Ms. Wucinski stated it would affect applicants
3	when it goes into effect in 180 days. She mentioned
4	it could cause a problem for those with a sexual
5	offense or criminal violence or those who were
6	convicted of crimes that are on the list of offenses
7	that have a direct bearing on the fitness or ability
8	to practice the profession. She noted individuals
9	have more rights with this and would have rebuttable
10	presumption that they can challenge.
11	Dr. Kraus questioned whether cases would go to
12	the Board or be handled by staff,
13	Ms. Wucinski believed it would be handled mostly
14	by Board staff and Board counsel.
15	Dr. Jordal suggested the Board establish a
16	precedent in how to handle the new process, so Board
17	administration has an awareness of what needs the
18	Board's deliberation and what does not.
19	Ms. Wucinski noted the first step was for the
20	Board to create a list of criminal offenses that have
21	a direct bearing on the practice of the profession.
22	She mentioned being familiar with the crime code and
23	would be running things by the Board, possibly at the
24	September meeting.
25	Commissioner Johnson stated many convictions

being brought up would already be raised through 1 2 precedent and looking back on past decisions that 3 other Boards have made, which would go into the database of criminal convictions. He commented that 4 5 there may be decisions made prior to this Board that 6 are still precedent and have already been established. 7 Dr. Jordal noted it to be helpful to see how the Board's list compares to other Boards. He mentioned 8 9 the importance of it being clear, especially for 10 individuals who are dual-licensed and covered by 11 different Boards, where it was more difficult to 12 mitigate liability and risk. 13 Ms. Wucinski mentioned working as an office in 14 coming up with the lists and the importance of being 15 consistent with all the Boards. She would be touching base with the Board, and there would be discussions on 16 17 the matter.] * * * 18 19 Report of Commissioner 20 [K. Kalonji Johnson, Commissioner, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, introduced 21 22 Lindsey Mauldin, Special Assistant to the Secretary of 23 Health, who would be speaking regarding potential 24 opportunities for providing continuing education for 25 contact tracing.

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Commissioner Johnson noted the need for mental health services, not just for individuals affected by COVID-19 but their family members and friends. He noted the importance of recognizing all of the opportunities the Board has to lead the way in terms of discussion around mental health stability.

7 Lindsey Mauldin, Special Assistant to the 8 Secretary of Health, addressed contact tracing efforts 9 to help stop the spread of infectious disease. She 10 commented that contact tracing was happening among 11 county and municipal health departments and community 12 health nurses who work across the commonwealth.

13 Ms. Mauldin discussed building the infrastructure 14 and integration of social workers into the contact 15 tracing effort. She noted the need for social workers 16 to be part of the squad in contact tracing to help 17 bring this full circle. She noted being in touch with 18 a number of social work programs across the state in 19 identify ways social workers can increase their 20 skills.

Ms. Mauldin mentioned offering the continuing education unit (CEU) portion of training for contact tracers to become contact tracers with the state. She noted offering 3 hours of intensive training with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

1 fellow, which goes over Pennsylvania-specific contact
2 tracing.

Ms. Mauldin reported working with various academic institutions, noting Temple has online training that includes some interview practice available on TRAIN PA. She mentioned the intersection between social work and contact tracing and opportunities for social workers moving forward, including continued credits for the training.

Dr. Santiago questioned why only social workers are mentioned and professional counselors and licensed marriage and family therapists (LMFTs) were not part of this consideration.

Ms. Mauldin commented that she would explore that issue. She stated bringing social workers into contact tracing would provide the interview with an individual after they have been asked to quarantine for 14 days and support for some of the fears and anxieties.

20 Dr. Elberfeld commented that Ms. Mauldin was 21 referring to a Bachelor of Social Work and licensed 22 social workers (LSWs), not clinical social workers as 23 being able to do more case management, rather than the 24 therapeutic counseling. She stated it would be more 25 aligned with what community health workers are doing

in the communities rather than actually clinically
 offering mental health support.

Ms. Mauldin stated her aim was to provide a human connection in the process with a community health worker with expansion to include therapeutic support if necessary.

7 Commissioner Johnson noted that the concept of 8 providing the education and expanding it was a way of 9 creating an entry point for mental health 10 professionals to proactively identify through contact 11 tracing individuals who could be provided support. He 12 requested more information about the type of content 13 that would go into the course.

Ms. Mauldin explained the course as a very Pennsylvania-specific introduction to COVID-19. She noted it also involves supporting folks asked to quarantine, interviewing them to get the answers and information, talking with them about the challenges they might face in quarantine, and how to address those.

Ms. Cardone commented that it sounds like it was equivalent to public health workers who go in so one might think Bachelor of Social Work and LSW. She stated these folks should have the ability to spot potential mental health problems that are surfacing in

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1 the midst of someone being quarantined. She noted 2 licensed clinical social workers (LCSWs), licensed 3 marriage and family therapists (LMFTs), and licensed 4 professional counselors (LPCs) are qualified to do 5 that.

6 Commissioner Johnson questioned what type of 7 certification was received once the individual 8 completes the 3-hour course on contact tracing.

9 Ms. Mauldin explained that the training was 10 Pennsylvania-specific, and everyone was given a 11 certification code at the end of the training that was 12 utilized to verify they had completed the course.

Dr. Elberfeld expressed her concern with community health workers being trained but not having any paid positions available. She noted agreeing with the need for training professionals as contact tracers but only the number that would actually be able to get employment.

Ms. Mauldin explained there was a hybrid of both volunteer and staffing positions. She noted no paid positions yet but would be onboarding positions starting in August.

23 Chair Corby stated the actual contact tracing 24 training seems to be more for case management social 25 workers than clinical people, and depending on what

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1 they find could refer them to therapists for clinical 2 work. She commented that she does not see where it 3 was necessary for the clinical people to go through 4 the contact tracing training because they have the 5 clinical training to address the therapeutic issues. 6 Commissioner Johnson questioned the duties of 7 individuals who received the referral.

8 Ms. Mauldin explained that after a positive test, 9 the contact tracer communicates with the person, gets 10 all of their contacts for the past two weeks, and then 11 communicates with all of those people who potentially 12 had contact and communication of the disease.

13 Ms. Mauldin stated contact tracers are a public 14 health arm but noted the importance of adequate 15 testing with guick turnaround time. She noted having that first layer of caseworkers or community health 16 workers be trained and then make referrals to 17 18 therapists if someone was having mental health issues. 19 Ms. Cardone noted contact tracing to be complex 20 and believed it should be thought of as a tiered issue 21 and an ethical issue. She stated part of the goal was 2.2 for individuals to be listening with a third ear to 23 figure out what else was going on. She commented that 24 it would not be appropriate for a clinical person to

25 see this person anyway because that would be a

1 conflict of interest, so they have to refer to someone
2 else.

3 Ms. Cardone mentioned the need to think about subtleties that go into this as a way into thinking 4 5 about how to enhance the role of a contact tracer. 6 Marc Farrell, Deputy Policy Director, Department 7 of State, reported Ms. Mauldin lost connection and would not be able to rejoin. He noted providing 8 9 additional information and answering questions at some 10 point.

11 Commissioner Johnson thanked Board members for 12 their flexibility and patience throughout the 13 transition to the virtual platform. He also thanked 14 Ms. Matter and Ms. Wucinski regarding applications and 15 undergoing legal reviews and thanked prosecutorial 16 counsel.

17 Commissioner Johnson discussed Governor Wolf's 18 executive order last week to expand the use of video 19 hearings for all administrative proceedings starting 20 this week. He noted prosecution would be seeing a lot 21 more activity with regard to formal proceedings.

22 Commissioner Johnson also thanked all of the 23 attendees, members of the public, and stakeholders for 24 continuing to participate online. He commented that 25 the virtual platform allows for a better opportunity

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to engage a wider audience and was encouraged by the 1 2 progress with regard to public outreach as well. 3 Commissioner Johnson commented that all of the 4 healthcare professionals are in the thoughts and 5 prayers of those at the Bureau of Professional and 6 Occupational Affairs (BPOA). He hopes everyone stays 7 safe and healthy as they continue to provide critical services in this time of need. 8

9 Ms. Cardone questioned Commissioner Johnson on10 the status of new people for Board vacancies.

11 Commissioner Johnson announced the Senate 12 confirmed about 38 folks with regard to filling vacancies last month, and the Governor's Office was 13 14 hard at work in getting the next package of folks up 15 to the Senate for confirmation, which would include many reappointments. He noted it would rely on the 16 17 pace of the Senate but was hopeful for early fall. 18 Johanna Byrd, ACSW, IOM, CAE, Executive Director, 19 National Association of Social Workers, Pennsylvania

20 Chapter, requested an update on the final Independent 21 Regulatory Review Commission (IRRC) regulations 22 concerning the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) 23 licensure.

24 Commissioner Johnson explained that PALS
25 functionality was being fine-tuned to avoid technical

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issue. 1 2 Ms. Matter reported receiving Senate confirmation for Dr. Erika Evans-Weaver, who was an LMFT, and would 3 4 be attending the September 1 Board meeting.] * * * 5 6 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at 7 12:25 p.m. the Board entered into Executive Session with Dana M. Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the 8 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations on 9 10 a number of matters that are currently pending before 11 the Board and to receive the advice of Counsel. The Board returned to open session at 12:35 p.m.] 12 * * * 13 14 MOTIONS 15 MS. WUCINSKI: 16 Having returned from executive session, 17 the Board is now going to place their votes on the record. 18 19 I believe the Board would entertain 20 a motion to approve the Consent 21 Agreement at Case No. 17-69-02248. 2.2 CHAIR CORBY: 23 Do I have a motion? 24 DR. ELBERFELD: 25 So moved.

19 1 DR. JORDAL: 2 Second. 3 CHAIR CORBY: 4 All those in favor? All those opposed? 5 Abstentions? [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's 6 7 name is Heather Anne Kramer-Almquist, LPC.] * * * 8 9 MS. WUCINSKI: 10 I believe the Board would entertain a 11 motion to approve the Consent Agreements 12 at Case Nos. 19-69-010558, 19-69-018626, 20-69-000138, & 20-69-002595. 13 CHAIR CORBY: 14 15 Do I have a motion? DR. JORDAL: 16 17 So moved. DR. SANTIAGO: 18 19 Second. 20 CHAIR CORBY: 21 All those in favor? Opposed? Any 22 abstentions? 23 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's 24 name is Sean Thomas MacMillen, LPC.] * * * 25

20 1 MS. WUCINSKI: 2 I believe the Board would entertain a 3 motion to approve the Consent Agreement at Case No. 18-69-005170. 4 5 CHAIR CORBY: 6 Do I have a motion? 7 DR. KRAUS: 8 So moved. 9 DR. SANTIAGO: 10 Second. 11 CHAIR CORBY: 12 All those in favor? Opposed? Any abstentions? 13 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's 14 15 name is Denise Lynn Darling, LMFT.] * * * 16 17 MS. WUCINSKI: I believe the Board would entertain a 18 19 motion to direct Board counsel to send a 20 letter of concern to Jason T. Link and 21 Shawn Cain Clavelle. 22 DR. KRAUS: 23 So moved. 24 CHAIR CORBY: 25 Do I have a second?

21 1 DR. ELBERFELD: 2 Second. 3 CHAIR CORBY: 4 All those in favor? Opposed? 5 Abstentions? 6 [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * 7 8 MS. WUCINSKI: 9 I believe the Board would entertain a 10 motion to issue an order 11 administratively reinstating the License 12 to Practice Social Work of Mary Elizabeth Semerod, LSW, noting that Dr. 13 Elberfeld is recused. 14 15 CHAIR CORBY: Do I hear a motion? 16 17 DR. JORDAL: 18 So moved. 19 DR. KRAUS: 20 Second. CHAIR CORBY: 21 22 All those in favor? Opposed? 23 Abstentions? 24 [The motion carried. Dr. Elberfeld recused herself 25 from deliberations and voting on the motion. Dr.

Santiago opposed the motion.] 1 * * * 2 3 MS. WUCINSKI: I believe the Board would entertain a 4 5 motion to approve the education of Karen 6 Weiss. 7 CHAIR CORBY: 8 Do I have a motion? 9 MS. PAINTER: 10 So moved. CHAIR CORBY: 11 12 Do I hear a second? DR. JORDAL: 13 14 Second. 15 CHAIR CORBY: 16 All those in favor? Opposed? 17 Abstentions? 18 [The motion carried. Dr. Santiago opposed the 19 motion.] 20 * * * 21 MS. WUCINSKI: 22 I believe the Board would entertain a 23 motion to provisionally deny the 24 application for a License by Examination 25 to Practice Professional Counseling of

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1 Erik Hansen and David J. Heavner, Ed.D. 2 CHAIR CORBY: 3 Do I have a motion? DR. KRAUS: 4 5 So moved. DR. SANTIAGO: 6 7 Second. 8 CHAIR CORBY: 9 All those in favor? Opposed? 10 Abstentions? 11 [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * 12 13 MS. WUCINSKI: 14 The Board administrator will send a 15 letter to Sara S. Crowers regarding her 16 supervision. * * * 17 Approval of minutes of the June 9, 2020 meeting 18 19 CHAIR CORBY: 20 Do I have a motion to approve the draft 21 minutes with changes? 22 DR. JORDAL: 23 So moved. 24 DR. KRAUS: 25 Second.

CHAIR CORBY: All those in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * Report of Board Counsel (cont.) [Dana M. Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, referred to 16A-6923 regarding general revisions and changes discussed at previous meetings. She requested a vote today to send it out as an exposure draft for informal comments, noting the Board can make any changes before proposed rulemaking. Ms. Wucinski mentioned one area of concern regarding § 48.3, qualifications for supervisors. She noted removal of the MFT requirement to be a supervisor, where they needed to an American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT)approved supervisor. Ms. Wucinski stated Chair Corby mentioned the idea of possibly substituting a course in its place. She suggested making a requirement to take the place of the AAMFT-approved supervisors that may be added in under the LPCs and the LCSWs. She noted supervision would be completely electronic and allowing CEs to be done over the Internet permanently.

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1 Chair Corby commented that this was a small step 2 that can be taken until there are regulations for 3 supervision. She was not okay with just leaving it 4 totally blank for any licensed person to do 5 supervision.

Ms. Wucinski noted it could state that individuals take a Board-approved course and make it more restrictive in the future.

9 Ms. Wucinski also noted it could state 10 individuals require a continuing education course in 11 supervision. She stated it could be something they 12 have to keep with their log when they are logging 13 supervision, so when the log was requested, they would have to send in proof the course was completed. 14 She 15 also mentioned having a verification when they sign 16 off on an applicant's supervision.

Ms. Cardone agreed that it may be problematic to figure out the Board-approved course. She questioned what would be required of those who have been supervising for 10 or 15 years.

Ms. Wucinski suggested, for those individuals who have been supervising, requiring them to take the course within a certain amount of time or for the next biennial period.

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Ms. Cardone commented that whatever licensure it

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1 is, she assumes 1500 hours has to be by someone in 2 their field and 1500 can be by someone in another 3 field.

4 Ms. Wucinski stated the Board can make decisions5 after receiving feedback from the exposure draft.

6 Dr. Kraus suggested stating in the revision that 7 someone who holds themselves out to be a clinical 8 supervisor must be able to prove how they did it.

9 Ms. Wucinski suggested individuals also verify 10 that they are competent to provide supervision when 11 they verify they completed the course.

Ms. Cardone recommended requiring a 6-hourcontinuing education course.

14 Chair Corby suggested placing a question on the 15 application for relicensure requiring at least 1 16 course and the addition on the form that supervisors 17 have to sign off on or the people they supervised 18 stating they meet the requirement.

Ms. Wucinski stated the renewal form may not be able to be changed in PALS but we could maybe add a verification check box for when the supervisor is signing off on the applicant's supervision hours, where they only check that box when they send in verification of their supervisees' hours. She commented that those who have already taken a

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supervision course as part of their graduate level
 education should be enough.

Ms. Wucinski stated she would only mention the biennial period for those who are already acting as supervisors. She stated those who are beginning supervision must complete 6 hours of continuing education on supervision. She would have language that it has to be when they sign off on the hours they are verifying.

Ms. Byrd commented that NASW would immediately put together a supervision course and offer it on a regular basis.

13 Ms. Cardone referred to § 48.37 regarding other 14 sources of continuing education and then 15 § 48.37(a)(2), where a licensee may accrue up to 15 of 16 the required clock hours per biennium by offering a course or courses in MFT or a related field for a 17 18 regionally accredited college or university if the 19 course was credit-bearing. She noted the need for a 20 guideline explaining how many CEUs are equivalent to 1 21 semester credit.

22 Chair Corby explained that 1 semester credit was 23 equal to 15 CEUs because 1 semester equals 15 weeks. 24 Ms. Wucinski would add 1 semester credit equals 25 15 CEUs in the language.

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Chair Corby noted 1 semester credit equals 15 1 2 CEUs should also be added to 48.37(a)(4), where a 3 licensee may accrue up to 15 of the required clock 4 hours per biennium. 5 Ms. Cardone referred to § 48.37(a)(2) and 6 recommended changing where it reads, demonstrated 7 holding the Board of certified diplomat by taking out 8 the word "of" and adding an "e" on the end of diplomat 9 for it to read, Board-certified diplomate.] * * * 10 11 MS. WUCINSKI: 12 Can we get a vote to send draft 13 regulation 16A-6923 out for exposure comment with the amendments as discussed 14 15 in open session? 16 CHAIR CORBY: 17 Do I have a motion? DR. JORDAL: 18 19 So moved. 20 DR. KRAUS: 21 Second. 2.2 CHAIR CORBY: 23 All those in favor? Opposed? 24 Abstentions? 25 [The motion carried unanimously.]

29 * * * 1 2 Report of Board Chair 3 [Joy E. Corby, Ph.D., LMFT, announced the Association 4 of Marriage & Family Therapy Regulatory Boards 5 (AMFTRB) Annual Meeting would be held virtually this 6 year in September and requested Board approval for Dr. 7 Jordal and herself.] * * * 8 9 DR. SANTIAGO: 10 I make a motion that we approve Joy and 11 Christian to attend the AMFTRB Annual 12 Meeting. MS. PAINTER: 13 14 Second. 15 CHAIR CORBY: 16 All in favor? Opposed? 17 [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * 18 19 [Renee J. Cardone, MSW, LCSW, requested the 20 Association of Social Work Boards Annual Meeting in 21 November be put on the next agenda and requested a 22 vote for Dr. Elberfeld to attend.] 23 * * * 24 MS. CARDONE: 25 I make a motion that we approve Jeanne

Elberfeld to attend the ASWB Annual 1 2 Delegate Meeting virtually in November. 3 DR. KRAUS: So moved. 4 5 DR. JORDAL: 6 Second. 7 CHAIR CORBY: 8 We have a motion by Kurt Kraus and a 9 second by Christian Jordal. All in 10 favor? Opposed? 11 [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * 12 13 Miscellaneous 14 [Sandra E. Matter, Board Administrator, noted 2021 15 Board meeting dates for the Board's review and 16 finalization in September. She requested members 17 advise her of any conflicts. She noted no discussion 18 regarding returning to Harrisburg for regular 19 meetings.] 20 * * * 21 Adjournment CHAIR CORBY: 22 23 Do I have a motion to adjourn? 24 MS. CARDONE: 25 So moved.

DR. JORDAL: Second. CHAIR CORBY: All those in favor? Opposed? [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * [There being no further business, the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselors Meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m.] * * *

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5	I hereby certify that the foregoing summary
6	minutes of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage
7	and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors
8	meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my
9	supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize
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11:49	Report of Commissioner
12:25 12:35	Executive Session Return to Open Session
12:36	Motions
12:41	Approval of Minutes
12:43	Report of Board Counsel (Continued)
1:20	Report of Board Chair
1:22	Miscellaneous
1:23	Adjournment