State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselors September 7, 2021

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BOARD MEMBERS:

Joy E. Corby, Ph.D., LMFT, Chair
K. Kalonji Johnson, Commissioner, Bureau of
Professional and Occupational Affairs - Absent
Michelle Santiago, Psy.D., LPC, Vice Chair
Erika Evans, Ph.D., LMFT
Christian Jordal, Ph.D., LMFT - Absent
Amy K. Keisling, LCSW
Kurt L. Kraus, Ed.D., NCC, ACS, LPC - Absent
Linda A. Martin, LCSW, RN
Marilyn L. Painter, Public Member

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Jaime D. Black, Esquire, Board/Regulatory Counsel
Cynthia K. Montgomery, Esquire, Deputy Chief
Counsel/Regulatory Counsel, Department of State
Nathan C. Giunta, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison
Jason T. Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Garrett A. Rine, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Sandra E. Matter, Board Administrator

ALSO PRESENT:

Wesley J. Rish, Esquire, Rish Law Office, LLC Johanna Byrd, ACSW, IOM, CAE, Executive Director, National Association of Social Workers, Pennsylvania Chapter

Marriage and Family Therapists

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5 September 7, 2021

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7 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at 9:30 a.m., the Board entered into executive session 9 with Jaime D. Black, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the 10 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations on 11 a number of matters before the Board today and to 12 receive advice of counsel. The Board entered into 13 public session at 12:37 p.m.]

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The regularly scheduled meeting of the State
Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family
Therapists, and Professional Counselors was held on
Tuesday, September 7, 2021. Joy E. Corby, Ph.D.,
LMFT, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:37 p.m.

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21 [Jaime D. Black, Esquire, Board Counsel, noted the
22 meeting was being recorded, and those who continued to
23 participate were giving their consent to be recorded.]

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25 Introduction of Board Members

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[Chair Corby requested Board members introduce
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   Approval of minutes of the August 2, 2021 meeting
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  minutes from our previous meeting and
                  corrections were sent to her, so I would
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                  ask that the draft minutes be accepted
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                       Do I hear a motion?
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   MS. PAINTER:
                  So moved.
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All in favor, raise your hand.
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   [The motion carried. Linda Martin and Erika Evans
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   abstained from voting on the motion.]
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   [Jason T. Anderson, Esquire, Senior Board Prosecutor,
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   presented to the Board to provide an overview of the
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   prosecutorial division and address a situation at the
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last Board meeting concerning the use of a specific course. He stated the prosecution is separated from Board counsel because of a court case 20 years ago that wanted the Board to not be able to violate due process by picking its own cases and disciplining the person, noting prosecution was developed through Lyness.

Mr. Anderson explained that prosecution reviews complaints to determine if there is a legal violation and then presents those to the Board by either a consent agreement or a hearing through an Order to Show Cause (OSC) or some other charging document if they cannot find a resolution. He noted prosecution provides the evidence and makes a recommendation, but the Board has full discretion at the end of the case.

Mr. Anderson addressed consent agreements, noting those to be a negotiated resolution by members of the prosecution, usually with a licensee or their attorney after working out the actual details of the case as well as potential proposed disciplinary action.

Mr. Anderson addressed the recent course issue, noting that prosecution was not aware of specific educational programs or providers that the Board viewed as predominant in the professions to be used for reeducation or whatever member has continuing

education (CE) training that would be useful for its licensees. He commented that other boards have let prosecution know over the past which organizations they like to use.

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Mr. Anderson suggested the Board provide prosecution with anything they would like them to consider when it comes to educational purposes or reeducation and skills assessments and to let the public also know by either bringing those individuals in for presentations to the Board or posting it on the Board's website that the individuals are preapproved CE programs.

Mr. Anderson further commented that the Board can approve or reject a consent agreement for being too lenient or harsh. He mentioned that the Board, at that point, does not get to dictate where it goes unless they go to an Order to Show Cause. He noted the importance of prosecution and the public understanding where the Board views the most appropriate educational programs and providers.

Mr. Anderson explained that it limits the work of Board counsel and administration answering questions from members of the public in the licensing population whether it is a Board-approved monitor or a Board-approved course.

Ms. Keisling clarified that the Board's question or concern was that this was the first time they had seen a consent agreement that spelled out a specific provider, where it used to be that the person would receive education, and the Board was concerned that a very specific provider had been chosen. She further explained that the Board never saw that before and did not know enough about the provider to know if it was an appropriate choice or not.

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Mr. Anderson apologized for the confusion, stating his team started out with the Board of Medicine and Board of Osteopathic Medicine and have set patterns. He commented that learning other boards is part of the switchover and will take that into consideration in the future.

Mr. Anderson explained that the course they used already had certain parameters but could understand someone else would not know where it came from. He stated it was geared toward knowing exactly what would happen as far as a resolution, resulting in less work and confusion.

Chair Corby mentioned that consent agreements historically would have an X number of CEs for whatever and specific programs have not been part of that. She noted that part of the discussion last

1 month was that the program was very much for health 2 care and not mental health, and it really would not 3 have covered what needed to be done for mental health people. She encouraged Mr. Anderson to have 4 5 prosecution just put in the number of CEs in whatever 6 area and allow them to be able to do it. Mr. Anderson appreciated the recommendation, noting that the Board preferring generalization is easier than adding preapproved information to the 10 website.1 * * * 11 12 Report of Board Counsel - Miscellaneous 13 [Jaime D. Black, Esquire, Board Counsel, addressed 14 Policy Statements initially discussed at the August 15 meeting, noting revisions to clarify the Board's 16 current interpretation of the phrase "in person" 17 contained in regulation \$ 47.12c, \$ 48.13 and \$ 49.13 18 and the Board's current interpretation of "direct client contact" in regulation § 48.2. 19 20 Ms. Black requested approval of the statements and the current versions. She noted in-person clarification and interpretation for § 47.12c, 48.13, 22 23 and 49.13, where supervision hours accumulated in 24 person are not limited to those acquired physically present in the same room. 26 Technological advances have enabled individuals to communicate 27 in real-time, regardless of their geographic proximity to one-Therefore, the Board considers "in person"

supervision to be met if a HIPAA-compliant electronic platform

communication between the supervisor and supervisee.

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would not include supervision by telephone, email,
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   communications that do not include real-time
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   video and audio communications.
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   supervisor and supervisee are located when using electronic
   supervision must be professional and secure and may not be
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   libraries, or other locations where inadvertent disclosures of
   confidential information could occur.
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    MS. BLACK:
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                      Is there a motion by the Board to
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                      approve this Policy Statement for
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                      posting on the Board's website?
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    MS. PAINTER:
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                      So moved.
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    MS. KEISLING:
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    CHAIR CORBY:
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                      All in favor, raise your hand. Opposed?
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                      Abstentions?
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    [The motion carried unanimously.]
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         Ms. Black addressed the Policy Statement regarding
   48.2(6) with respect to "direct client contact" for it
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   supervised hours of direct client contact are not limited to those acquired while being
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   physically present in the same room. Technological advances have enabled individuals to
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   communicate in real-time, regardless of their geographic proximity to one-another.
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   Therefore, the Board considers "direct" client contact to be met if a HIPAA-compliant
   electronic platform is used that allows for synchronous audio and video communication
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   contact by telephone, email, instant messaging, online chat or other non-secure electronic
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   communications that do not include real-time (synchronous) video and audio
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   communications. The setting in which the supervisor, supervisee, and client is located when
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   must not be in public locations such as coffee shops, libraries, or other locations where
   inadvertent disclosures of confidential information could occur.
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                    Is there a motion to approve the Policy
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                    Statement for posting on the Board's
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                    website?
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                    So moved.
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    DR. SANTIAGO:
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                    All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                    Opposed? Abstentions?
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    [The motion carried unanimously.]
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    Report of Board Prosecutorial Division
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    [Nathan C. Giunta, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison,
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   presented the Consent Agreement for Case No. 21-69-
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    [Garrett A. Rine, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented
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    the Consent Agreement for Case No. 20-69-007426.
         Wesley J. Rish, Esquire, Rish Law Office, LLC,
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    counsel for the respondent, was present.]
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11 Report of Board Counsel 1 2 MS. BLACK: 3 Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the 4 Sunshine Act, prior to today's meeting, 5 the Board entered into executive session for the purpose of conducting quasi-6 judicial deliberations on a number of matters that are currently pending 9 before the Board and to receive the 10 advice of counsel. The items discussed 11 today are specifically 2 through 8 and 12 15 through 33. I believe the Board would entertain 1.3 14 a motion to approve the Consent 15 Agreement at items 2 and 3 at Case No. 21-69-003817 and Case No. 20-69-007426. 16 17 MS. KEISLING: So moved. 18 19 MS. PAINTER: 20 Second. 21 CHAIR CORBY: 2.2 All those in favor, raise your hand. 2.3 Opposed? Abstentions? 24 [The motion carried unanimously. The Board has 25 accepted the Consent Agreement at items 2 and 3, BPOA

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   Adams, LPC.]
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  I believe the Board would entertain a
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                  motion to delegate item 4, Rebecca
                  DePaulis, Case No. 21-69-006726, to the
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                  Office of Hearing Examiners.
   MS. PAINTER:
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                  So moved.
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Second.
   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  Would the Board entertain a motion to
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                  delegate item 5, Amy Marie Lohr, LCSW,
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                  Case No. 19-69-003779, to the Office of
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                  Hearing Examiners.
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Motion.
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   MS. KEISLING:
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried. Linda Martin abstained from
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   voting on the motion.]
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   MS. BLACK:
                  I believe the Board would entertain a
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                  motion to adopt as final the Proposed
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                  Adjudication and Order at item 6, Joseph
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                  T. Sass, Case No. 20-69-003374.
   MS. PAINTER:
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                  So moved.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
                  Do I hear a second?
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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                  motion to adopt as final the Proposed
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                  Adjudication and Order at item 7, Scott
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                  David Winters, LCSW, Case No. 20-69-
                  001540.
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Motion.
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   DR. EVANS:
                  Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions? Recused?
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   [The motion carried. Amy Keisling and Marilyn Painter
   recused themselves from deliberations and voting on
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   the motion.
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  For item 8, I believe the Board would
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                  entertain a motion directing Board
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                  counsel to draft an Adjudication and
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                  Order in due course in accordance with
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                  discussions held in executive session.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Do I hear a motion?
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   MS. KEISLING:
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                  So moved.
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All in favor, raise your hand. Opposed?
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                  Abstentions?
   [The motion carried. Marilyn Painter opposed the
   motion. ]
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   Applications
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  The Board is still reviewing the
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                  documentation submitted by Edward Sutter
                  at item 15; therefore, no action is
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                  being taken at this time.
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  Moving to 16, I believe the Board would
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                  entertain a motion to provisionally deny
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                  the request to accept Ms. Welch's degree
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                  for licensure under Regulation
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                  § 49.13(a)(ii) at item 16 Professional
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                  Counselor by Exam, Kerry Welch.
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Motion.
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   DR. EVANS:
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   MS. BLACK:
                  I believe the Board would entertain a
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                  motion to approve the supervised
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                  clinical experience at item 17,
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                  Professional Counselor by Examination,
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                  Nanci Goldenberg.
   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Do I have a motion?
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   DR. EVANS:
                  Motion.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Second?
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                  Second.
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Those opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried. Michelle Santiago opposed the
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   motion.]
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   MS. BLACK:
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                   I believe the Board would entertain a
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                  motion to provisionally deny the request
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                  to accept the Clinical Supervision Hours
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                  under Yarita Zayas, LPC, at item 18,
                  Professional Counselor by Examination,
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                  Ava Robinson.
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Motion.
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   MS. KEISLING:
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                  Second.
   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried. Marilyn Painter opposed the
   motion.1
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  Would the Board entertain a motion to
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                  approve the education at item 19,
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                  Professional Counselor by Examination,
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                  Nicole Pastore?
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Motion.
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   DR. EVANS:
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                  Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   MS. BLACK:
                  Would the Board entertain a motion to
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                  approve the education at item 20,
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                  Marriage and Family Therapy by
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                  Examination, Nicole Pastore?
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                  So moved.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Painter. Do I hear a second?
   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  All those opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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19 motion to approve a provisional license 1 2 under Act 41 as a Professional Counselor 3 for item 21, Michelle Flanagan Moore. CHAIR CORBY: 4 5 Do I hear a motion? 6 MS. PAINTER: So moved. 8 DR. SANTIAGO: 9 So moved. 10 CHAIR CORBY: 11 All those in favor, raise your hand. 12 Opposed? Abstentions? 13 [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * 14 15 MS. BLACK: 16 Would the Board entertain a motion to 17 approve a provisional license under Act 41 as a Professional Counselor for item 18 19 22, Katrina McKnight? 20 MS. PAINTER: 21 So moved. 22 DR. EVANS: 23 Second. 24 CHAIR CORBY: 25 All those in favor, raise your hand. All

20 those opposed? Abstentions? 1 2 [The motion carried. Michelle Santiago opposed the 3 motion.] * * * 4 5 MS. BLACK: 6 I believe the Board would entertain a 7 motion to approve a provisional license under Act 41 for item 23, Joseph 8 9 Almeida. 10 MS. PAINTER: 11 So moved. 12 CHAIR CORBY: Do I hear a second? 13 MS. KEISLING: 14 15 Second. CHAIR CORBY: 16 17 All those in favor, raise your hand. 18 Opposed? Abstentions? 19 [The motion carried. Michelle Santiago and Erika 20 Evans opposed the motion.] 21 22 MS. BLACK: 2.3 I believe the Board would entertain a 24 motion to approve a provisional license 25 under Act 41 as a Professional Counselor

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                  for item 24, Kelly Guyton.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Do I hear a motion?
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                  So moved.
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   DR. EVANS:
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                  Second.
   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried. Michelle Santiago opposed the
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   motion.]
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  Would the Board entertain a motion to
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                  approve a provisional license under Act
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                  41 as a Professional Counselor for item
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                  25, Breann Beardslee?
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Do I hear a motion?
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  I'll make a motion.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Thank you. Second?
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   MS. KEISLING:
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22 Second. 1 2 CHAIR CORBY: 3 All those in favor, raise your hand. 4 Opposed? Abstentions? 5 [The motion carried. Michelle Santiago and Erika 6 Evans opposed the motion.] * * * MS. BLACK: I believe the Board would entertain a 10 motion to approve a provisional license under Act 41 as a Professional Counselor 11 12 for item 26, Natalia Mitrofanova. MS. PAINTER: 13 So moved. 14 15 DR. SANTIAGO: Second. 16 17 CHAIR CORBY: 18 All in favor, raise your hand. Those 19 opposed? Abstentions? 20 [The motion carried unanimously.] * * * 21 22 MS. BLACK: 2.3 Would the Board entertain a motion to 2.4 approve a provisional license under Act 25 41 as a Professional Counselor for item

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                  27, Lyndsie Cory?
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                   So moved.
   DR. SANTIAGO:
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   CHAIR CORBY:
                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                   Opposed? Abstentions?
   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   MS. BLACK:
                   I believe the Board would entertain a
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                  motion to approve a Provisional License
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                  under Act 41 as a Marriage and Family
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                   Therapist for item 28, Lyndsie Cory?
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                  So moved.
   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                   Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
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                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  approve a Provisional License under Act
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                  41 as a Clinical Social Worker for item
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                  29, Kelsey Bennett?
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   MS. KEISLING:
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                  So moved.
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   DR. EVANS:
                  Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All in favor, raise your hand. Opposed?
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                  Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried. Michelle Santiago abstained from
   voting on the motion.]
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   MS. BLACK:
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                  Would the Board entertain a motion to
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                  approve a Provisional License under Act
                  41 as a Clinical Social Worker for item
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                  30, Tia Jones Medine?
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Do I hear a motion?
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   DR. EVANS:
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                  Motion.
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                  Second.
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25 1 CHAIR CORBY: All in favor, raise your hand. Opposed? 2 3 Abstentions? 4 [The motion carried. Michelle Santiago abstained from 5 voting on the motion.] * * * 6 7 MS. BLACK: Would the Board entertain a motion to 9 approve a Provisional License under Act 10 41 as a Clinical Social Worker for item 11 31, Samantha Dunnum? 12 DR. SANTIAGO: Motion. 13 14 DR. EVANS: 15 Second. CHAIR CORBY: 16 17 All those in favor, raise your hand. 18 Opposed? Abstentions? 19 [The motion carried. Linda Martin opposed the motion. 20 Michelle Santiago abstained from voting on the 21 motion.] * * * 22 23 Correspondence 2.4 MS. BLACK: 25 Regarding the correspondence, I believe

1 the Board would entertain a motion to

approve the requests at items 32 and 33,

Request for Special Accommodations to

Take the NCE Examination for <u>Katelyn</u>

McMichael and Alie Woodward.

6 DR. EVANS:

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7 Motion.

8 DR. SANTIAGO:

9 Second.

10 CHAIR CORBY:

All those in favor, raise your hand.

12 Abstentions? Opposed?

13 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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15 Report of Board Chair

16 | [Joy E. Corby, Ph.D., LMFT, Chair, reported submitting

17 the agenda for the Association of Marriage & Family

18 | Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) Annual Meeting to

19 | the Board administrator.]

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21 Report of Other Board Members

22 | [Michelle Santiago, Psy.D., LPC, Vice Chair, requested

23 information from the Board administrator regarding

24 Board vacancies at the end of October.

25 Ms. Matter stated there would be six vacancies

- 1 after Dr. Kraus and Ms. Keisling were no longer Board
- 2 | members. She informed those interested in becoming a
- 3 | Board member, that Board Members are appointed by the
- 4 Governor and suggested they contact their local
- 5 associations, representatives, and the Governor's
- 6 Office.
- 7 Chair Corby asked for a breakdown of the six
- 8 vacancies regarding professional licenses.
- 9 Ms. Matter explained that there will be three
- 10 licensed marriage and family therapists, one licensed
- 11 professional counselor, two licensed clinical social
- 12 workers, and one public member on the Board.
- 13 Ms. Matter stated there will be 4 vacancies for
- 14 | social work, so one of the four vacancies will need to
- 15 be a licensed social worker, there will be 1 vacancy
- 16 as a professional counselor and 1 vacancy as a public
- 17 member.
- 18 Ms. Painter asked whether the Board could contact
- 19 organizations for suggestions or their encouragement
- 20 to ask people to apply or whether they are already
- 21 aware of the situation.
- Johanna Byrd, ACSW, IOM, CAE, Executive Director,
- 23 National Association of Social Workers, noted being
- 24 present and aware of the issue.
- Dr. Santiago addressed qualifications of

instructors for continuing education. She expressed concern with presenters not being qualified, whether by degree or by experience, and putting in applications to be approved for CEs that are not related disciplines. She suggested seriously looking at who is being approved as CE presenters.

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Ms. Black informed the Board that it would require a regulatory amendment because current regulations do not require any sort of specific qualifications for CE providers. She commented that it is not uncommon for various professions to have presenters who are not within that licensee category.

Ms. Black stated the Board may want to be prepared to address how changing the regulations to a more restrictive nature was in the best interest of the public, noting the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (IRRC) would question whether or not the amendment is appropriate. She mentioned there may be some challenges with the passage and for the Board to consider the utilization of time and resources.

Chair Corby requested information regarding what grounds the Board would have for not approving continuing education providers if there was a discrepancy between the instructor and what was being presented. She mentioned reading through

applications, where the qualifications question is often not answered, and she would not approve it.

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Dr. Santiago commented that it comes down to the questions the Board asks concerning qualifications, background, and standing.

Dr. Santiago requested information regarding how the Board can maneuver and make decisions when CE seems to fit for one board that has nothing to do with their Board but are being asked to approve it for the people who have a license under their Board.

Ms. Black suggested looking at the subject matter and who is teaching it and whether there a clear relationship as to how it will enhance the profession. She referred to § 47.33, which provides context for rejecting submissions. She noted it is within their authority to respond with a provisional denial, for example, the Board could ask a CE provider applicant to justify how the course meets the requirements for social work and referred to § 47.35 and how to make that connection.

Ms. Black recommended the Board evaluate the submission, not just that the provider is not a licensed social worker but how can their content enhance the social worker, marriage and family therapist, or professional counselor services.

Ms. Black stated it is appropriate to reject it if the Board has concerns that the connection had not been met by citing the regulation and having them explain how it meets the requirements.

Ms. Keisling noted appreciation for Ms. Black's clarification, stating she did not want to preclude people from being able to present valuable information because they are not licensed in the same field as the audience.

Dr. Santiago addressed her attendance at the Counseling Compact Legislative Summit. She noted providing a report for everyone's review and advised waiting to see how things turn out. She mentioned there are currently three states that are part of the compact and that social worker organizations are also interested.]

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18 Report of Commissioner - No Report

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20 Report of Board Administrator

21 [Sandra E. Matter, Board Administrator, provided

22 | further information concerning vacancies. She stated

23 Commissioner Johnson indicated that the Senate is

24 still in recess and no approvals are being made at

25 this point. She mentioned that the Governor's Office

- 1 had been made aware of the vacancies and quorum
 2 issues.
- Ms. Matter informed the Board that the virtual
 Board meeting waiver would expire on September 30,
 2021, and all Board meetings would be held in person
 as of October 1, 2021, unless information concerning
 any changes was received.]
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- 9 For Your Information
- 10 [Joy E. Corby, Ph.D., LMFT, Chair, noted the American
- 11 Association of State Counseling Boards (AASCB) Bylaws
- 12 Meeting November 12, 2021.
- 13 Chair Corby also noted the Association of Social
 14 Work Boards (ASWB) Annual Meeting November 19-20,
- 15 2021. She informed the Board that Dr. Elberfeld would
- 16 have been their representative but was now requesting
- 17 anyone interested to put that on the agenda for next
- 18 month.
- Ms. Martin commented that she would not be able to attend the ASWB Annual Meeting.]
- 21 CHAIR CORBY:
- Do I have a motion for Michelle to be
- able to attend the AASCB Meeting that
- 24 will be meeting virtually in November?
- 25 MS. KEISLING:

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                   I move.
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   DR. EVANS:
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                  Second.
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   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All those in favor, raise your hand.
                  Opposed? Abstentions?
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
   [Joy E. Corby, Ph.D., LMFT, Chair, noted the next
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   Board meeting is October 19 and informed everyone to
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   attend in person unless notified otherwise.]
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   Adjournment
   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Do I have a motion to adjourn?
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   DR. SANTIAGO:
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                  I make a motion we adjourn.
   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  Do I have a second?
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   MS. PAINTER:
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                  Second.
   CHAIR CORBY:
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                  All in favor, raise your hand.
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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[There being no further business, the State Board of 1 Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and 2 3 Professional Counselors Meeting adjourned at 4 1:37 p.m.] * * * 5

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CERTIFICATE

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I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors meeting.

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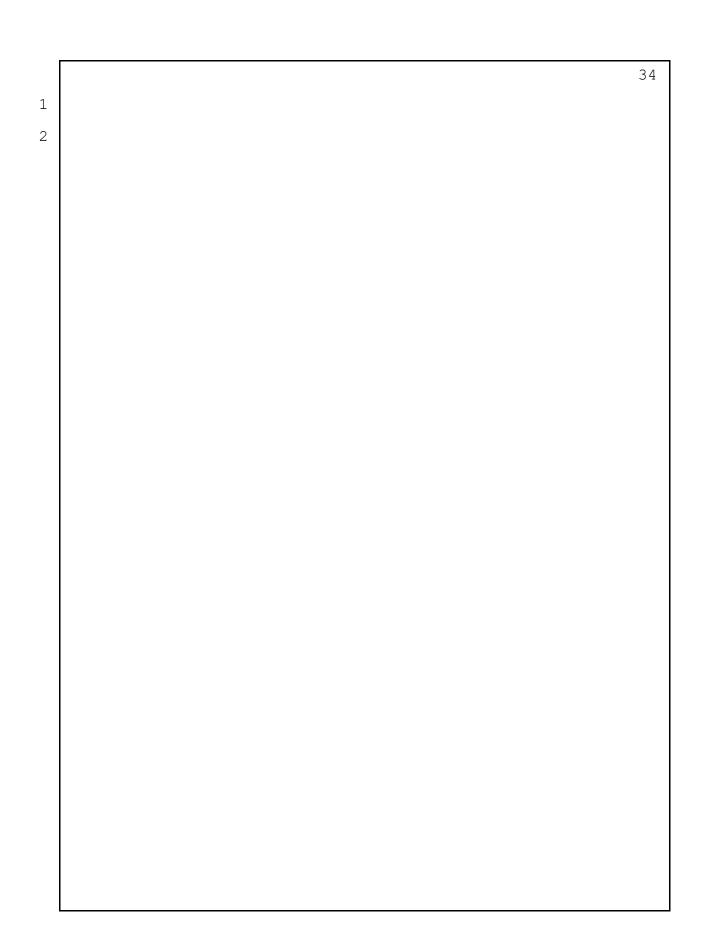
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Samantha Sabatini,

Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc.



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| 5 6 7 | | September 7, 2021 |
| 9 10 | TIME | AGENDA |
| 11 12 13 14 | 9:30 12:37 | Executive Session Return to Open Session |
| 15 | 12:38 | Official Call to Order |
| 16 17 | 12:38 | Introduction of Board Members |
| 18 19 | 12:41 | Approval of Minutes |
| 20 21 | 12:42 | Appointment - Jason T. Anderson |
| 22 | 12:50 | Report of Board Counsel |
| 24 25 | 12 : 55 | Report of Prosecutorial Division |
| 26 27 | 1:01 | Report of Board Counsel (Continued) |
| 28 29 | 1:06 | Review of Applications |
| 30 31 | 1:14 | Correspondence |
| 32 33 | 1:15 | Report of Board Chairperson |
| 34 35 | 1:16 | Report from Other Board Members |
| 36 37 | 1:31 | Report of Board Administrator |
| 38 39 | 1:33 | For Your Information |
| 40 41 42 43 44 | 1:37 | Adjournment |
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