



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Health Regulation and Licensing Administration

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING OPEN SESSION MEETING AGENDA

JUNE 11, 2021

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Virtual Meeting Notice

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all board meetings will be held virtually during the declared public health emergency.

Information on how to access the public portion of the meeting is listed below:

OPEN SESSION JUNE 11, 2021

OS-0621-01	<p>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</p> <p>The June 11, 2021 Open Session was called to order at 10:05am and a quorum was established.</p> <p><u>Board Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Victoria Sardi-Brown (Chairperson) – Absent • Laurie Ferreri (Vice-Chairperson) – Present • Victoria Sherk – Present • Vanessa Ruffin-Colbert – Present <p><u>Board Staff:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aisha Nixon- Executive Director • David Walker – Health Licensing Specialist • Panravee Vongjaroenrat – Board Attorney • Leonard Howard – Board Investigator <p><u>Open Session Guests:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Angele Moss-Baker • Dr. Sadiqa Long 	
OS-0621-02	<p>APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Ferreri to accept the June 11, 2021 Open Session agenda as presented. Seconded by Ms. Ruffin-Colbert.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Ferreri, Ms. Sherk, and Ms. Ruffin-Colbert voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

OS-0621-03	<p>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</p> <p>Currently, all management staff returned to the office as of June 7, 2021 three days a week. Remaining staff will return to the office on July 12, 2021. Staff will work remotely 2-days a week. Board meetings will remain virtual until further notice. June 11, 2021 is the last day applicants can submit paper applications. On June 14, 2021, paper applications, along with fees and documents, will be returned to applicants with instructions to apply online.</p> <p>The emergency rules pertaining to the 700 internship-practicum hours has expired and needs to be replaced with a permanent solution. The task will be discussed by the regulation revision subcommittee. On June 4, 2021, Board Staff conducted a CAC presentation to Catholic Charities’ addiction counseling class.</p> <p>Census of Active Licensees: LPC – 1294 LGPC – 341 CACI – 81 CACII – 163</p>	
OS-0621-04	<p>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT No Report</p>	
OS-0621-05	<p>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT No Report</p>	
OS-0621-06	<p>MINUTES</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the May 14, 2021 meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Ruffin-Colbert to accept the May 14, 2021 Open Session minutes. Seconded by Ms. Sherk.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Ferreri, Ms. Sherk, and Ms. Ruffin-Colbert voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

OS-0621-07	<p>DISCUSSION – NBCC COUNSELING COMPACT POSITION</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Discuss and determine next steps pertaining to the counseling compact.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> NBCC has provide their official positing regarding the counseling compact. They recommend the adoption of the counseling compact legislation with the contingency that a graduate degree in counselling from an accredited institution or program be included as a specific requirement for state participation.</p> <p>No motion needed.</p>	
OS-0621-08	<p>OPEN SESSION CONSENT AGENDA</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the applications approved for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Sherk to accept the June 11, 2021 Open Session Consent Agenda. Seconded by Ms. Ruffin-Colbert.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Ferreri, Ms. Sherk, and Ms. Ruffin-Colbert voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

OS-0621-09	<p>MOTION TO CLOSE</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Ruffin-Colbert to close the Open Session meeting at 11:12 AM. Seconded by Ms. Sherk.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Ferreri, Ms. Sherk, and Ms. Ruffin-Colbert voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
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The next open session meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2021 at 10:00am.

The Open Meetings Act governs this meeting. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.

OSFYI-0621-01	<p>TELEHEALTH</p> <p><u>Background:</u> DC Health has created an inter-professional workgroup comprised of the Board Chairs from different licensure boards. The group was established to generate ideas on solving health matters from a multi-discipline approach. The Workgroup has decided to focus its efforts on the development of legislation to address telehealth. A subcommittee will be formed with representation from each health professional board.</p>	
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