

MEETING MINUTES

**UTAH CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR
LICENSING BOARD**

March 11, 2020 9:00 A.M.
Room 475 – 4th floor
Heber M. Wells Building
160 E. 300 S Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 9:00 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 12:41 P.M.

DOPL STAFF PRESENT:

Bureau Manager: Jennifer Zaelit
Board Secretary: Jennifer Johnson
Compliance Specialist: Mark Smith
Management Analyst: Carolyn Dennis

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Carver, CMHC, Chairperson
Ashley Alfieri, CMHC, Vice Chairperson
Dr. Kenneth Roach, CMHC
David Wilde, CMHC
Philip Brueck, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: N/A

GUESTS:

Joshua Emmett, Odyssey House

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Carver called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Review and Approve January 8, 2020 Minutes

Ms. Alfieri made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections as discussed.
Dr. Roach seconded the motion.
The Board motion passed unanimously.

Compliance Report

Mr. Smith reviewed the Compliance report as provided.

DOPL Report

Ms. Johnson reviewed the DOPL report as provided.

APPOINTMENTS:

HEATHER BALLINGHAM, EXTENSION UPDATE - TELEPHONIC (00:33)

Ms. Ballingham met with the Board telephonically. Ms. Ballingham is requesting an extension of her ACMHC license in order to allow her time to take and pass her exam.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Ms. Ballingham.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Ballingham when she completed her hours and when she plans to take her exam.

Ms. Ballingham stated she completed her hours in October of 2019 and plans to take her exam in April.

Mr. Wilde made a motion to extend Ms. Ballingham's ACMHC license until July 8, 2020. Dr. Roach seconded the motion. The Board motion passed.

JESSICA WELKER, EXTENSION (00:36)

Ms. Welker met with the Board to request an extension of her ACMHC license in order to allow her time to take and pass her exam.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Ms. Welker.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Welker when she completed her hours and when she plans to take her exam.

Ms. Welker stated she just recently completed her hours and plans to take the exam for a second time in April.

Ms. Zaelit asked Ms. Welker who her current supervisor is and if she is only working for one agency.

Ms. Welker stated her current supervisor is Krista Bigler and she is working for another agency under the supervision of Spencer Staples.

Mr. Wilde asked Ms. Welker if both supervisors have two years post licensure prior to supervising her.

Ms. Welker stated they did and Ms. Johnson verified that information.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Welker if all of her hours have been obtained while she was a W2 employee.

Ms. Welker stated they were.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Welker how long of an extension she is requesting.

Ms. Welker stated she would like to request a six month extension.

Ms. Alfieri stated when the Board last met with Ms. Welker there were issues identified with the supervision she obtained under Alex Morgan. Several hours were not able to be considered because Mr. Morgan did not have two years post licensure prior to supervising Ms. Welker and he also supervised Ms. Welker without having a contract in place. Ms. Alfieri stated those hours were not considerable and asked Ms. Welker if she had recalculated her hours.

Ms. Welker stated she has updated her hours and provided an update to Ms. Johnson. Ms. Welker stated not all of the updated hours had been submitted and she will provide the rest to Ms. Johnson by the end of the week.

Ms. Johnson stated at this time Ms. Welker has only provided verification of completing 3500 hours and that is what the Board has to take into consideration.

Ms. Welker stated she understood.

Mr. Wilde stated by the time Ms. Welker takes her exam all of her hours should have been completed.

**Mr. Brueck made a motion to extend Ms. Welker's ACMHC license until July 8, 2020.
Mr. Wilde seconded the motion.
The Board motion passed.**

BRITTANY ARCHULETTA, EXTENSION (00:41)

Ms. Archuletta met with the Board to request an extension of her ACMHC license in order to allow her time to take and pass her exam.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Ms. Archuletta.

Ms. Archuletta stated she has registered to retake the exam but has not been able to schedule a test date until April. Ms. Archuletta stated this will be her third attempt at the exam.

Ms. Zaelit asked Ms. Archuletta what study materials she is using to prepare for the exam.

Ms. Archuletta stated she is using the NCMHCE Counseling online website. Ms. Archuletta stated it's a great website to use.

Mr. Wilde stated he noticed Ms. Archuletta completed continuing education for 2017 and 2018, but did not see anything from 2019.

Ms. Archuletta stated she has several courses she needs to pay to receive certificates of completion for and she is waiting for a reprint from the 2019 Generations conference she attended.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Archuletta how long of an extension she is requesting.

Ms. Archuletta stated she is requesting a six month extension.

Ms. Alfieri made a motion to extend Ms. Archuletta's ACMHC license until September 9, 2020.

Dr. Roach seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed.

APRIL YAZZIE, EXTENSION (00:46)

Ms. Yazzie met with the Board to request a one year extension of her ACMHC license in order to allow her time to take and pass her exam.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Ms. Yazzie and asked why she is requesting a one year extension.

Ms. Yazzie stated she is requesting a year to allow for two attempts on the exam in the event she does not pass the second time and has to wait 90 days before she can retake it again.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Yazzie if she has scheduled the exam.

Ms. Yazzie stated because she took the exam in January she has to wait 90 days to reschedule. Ms. Yazzie stated she hopes she can reschedule for the end of April or May.

Mr. Wilde stated there was a question regarding Ms. Yazzie's documentation of supervised experience that was provided. Mr. Wilde stated based on the information he was not sure if the hours were not identified correctly because some of the hours appeared to be low in some areas that what the Board would have expected to see.

Ms. Yazzie stated she and her supervisor were confused when filling out the form and potentially miscalculated.

Mr. Wilde reviewed what hours should be identified on each section of the supervision form.

Ms. Yazzie stated she will need to have them updated.

Mr. Wilde stated that was fine. The Board will plan to grant an extension, but Ms. Yazzie will need to plan to provide the updated forms as soon as she can.

Mr. Wilde made a motion to extend Ms. Yazzie's ACMHC license until November 4, 2020.

**Dr. Roach seconded the motion.
The Board motion passed.**

Ms. Johnson stated Ms. Yazzie will need to provide her updated supervised experience forms as soon as possible.

Ms. Yazzie stated she understood and would submit the forms

Dr. Roach stated he wanted to let Ms. Yazzie know that the Board is limited to the amount of time they can approve an extension for. Dr. Roach stated the law allows for two year extension once an individual completes the 4000 hours required for licensure.

Ms. Yazzie stated she understood and asked if there is anything else she needs to be aware of.

Ms. Johnson stated that while Ms. Yazzie maintains the ACMHC license all of the requirements still apply even though Ms. Yazzie completed her hours. Ms. Johnson stated this means Ms. Yazzie still needs to work under supervision by a qualified supervisor and needs to continue to have direct supervision as needed for her hours of client contact and practice of mental health therapy.

BRITTANY SHERMAN, EXTENSION (00:55)

Ms. Sherman met with the Board to request an extension of her ACMHC license in order to allow her time to take and pass her exam.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Ms. Sherman.

Ms. Sherman stated she needs to retake the NCMHCE exam. Ms. Sherman stated she plans to take the exam in May or June to allow more time to study before she retests.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Sherman when she completed her hours.

Ms. Sherman stated she completed her hours November of 2019.

Mr. Carver stated since Ms. Sherman has completed her hours the Board will only be able to grant an extension up to two years past the date she completed her hours. Mr. Carver stated Ms. Sherman has plenty of time but wanted to make her aware of the time limit.

Ms. Zaelit stated she noticed Ms. Sherman has received supervision from an LCSW and wanted to know if Ms. Sherman has seen a difference in supervision from a supervisor that holds a different license type than Ms. Sherman.

Ms. Sherman stated there have been some differences. Ms. Sherman stated she has had different information provided to her with regards to releasing notes. Ms. Sherman stated she errs on the side of caution in that respect.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Sherman how long of an extension she is requesting.

Ms. Sherman stated she would like to request a year. Ms. Sherman stated this would allow her to retake her exam an additional time if needed. Ms. Sherman stated if she passes her exam this next time this will allow her time to have her paperwork in order to apply for full licensure.

**Mr. Brueck made a motion to extend Ms. Sherman's ACMHC license to November 4, 2020.
Dr. Roach seconded the motion.
The Board motion passed.**

NATALIE GARCIA, EXTENSION (1:06)

Ms. Garcia met with the Board to request an extension of her ACMHC license in order to allow her time to take and pass her exam.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Ms. Garcia.

Ms. Alfieri asked Ms. Garcia how many times she has taken the exam.

Ms. Garcia stated she has taken the exam twice.

Mr. Wilde asked Ms. Garcia when she will take the exam again.

Ms. Garcia stated since she took it last week she will have to wait 90 days before she can reschedule to take it again.

Mr. Carver asked Ms. Garcia when she completed her hours.

Ms. Garcia stated she completed her hours in July of 2019.

Mr. Carver stated the Board is allowed to grant an extension up to two years past the date hours were completed. Mr. Carver stated this means the exam must be passed within that time or the ACMHC license will expire out and the individual will need to discontinue practicing until the exam is passed full licensure is granted. Mr. Carver stated he wanted to advise Ms. Garcia of the limited amount of time left on her license.

Ms. Garcia stated she understood.

Mr. Wilde asked Ms. Garcia how she is doing on her continuing education.

Ms. Garcia stated she has all of her continuing education with the exception of two hours in ethics.

**Mr. Wilde made a motion to extend Ms. Garcia's ACMHC license until November 4, 2020.
Dr. Roach seconded the motion.
The Board motion passed.**

BREAK

MOSES KAIRIGI, APPLICATION (1:12)

The Division has requested Board review of Mr. Kairigi's education and experience. The Division would like to verify Mr. Kairigi's education meets requirements for ACMHC licensure.

Ms. Zaelit stated Mr. Kairigi is enrolled in the University of Utah's Educational Psychology Doctorate program. Ms. Zaelit stated Mr. Kairigi has been enrolled in the program since 2018.

Ms. Dennis stated Mr. Kairigi has provided a letter from the University's counseling center stating Mr. Kairigi was participating in clinical hours through that program during the 2018-2019 academic year.

Dr. Roach stated he wondered why Mr. Kairigi is requesting licensure if he is a matriculated student and exempt from licensure. Dr. Roach asked Mr. Kairigi if he is a Counseling Psychology program, why does he want to be licensed as a Counselor when he is on track to become a Psychologist.

Ms. Zaelit stated she was not sure and this something that would need to be discussed with Mr. Kairigi.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Mr. Kairigi and asked if he was enrolled in program at this time.

Mr. Kairigi stated he is a graduate student with the University of Utah.

Dr. Roach asked Mr. Kairigi if he was enrolled in the Counseling Psychology program.

Mr. Kairigi stated he was.

Dr. Roach stated Mr. Kairigi is on track to be licensed as a Psychologist and as part of his program, as a matriculated student, Mr. Kairigi is allowed to practice counseling.

Dr. Roach asked Mr. Kairigi why he is seeking licensure as an ACMHC while he is a matriculated student in a Psychology program and stated most programs do not like their students practicing outside of the program they are enrolled in.

Mr. Kairigi stated he needs the license because he has a job offer that requires the ACMHC license in order for him to practice. Mr. Kairigi stated his PhD program is okay with Mr. Kairigi working outside the program in another field as long as he holds the proper license.

Mr. Wilde asked Mr. Kairigi if he holds a Master's in Educational Psychology and a Master's in Biblical Studies.

Mr. Kairigi stated that was correct.

Dr. Roach asked Mr. Kairigi why courses were identified from the Biblical Studies program if Mr. Kairigi had completed his Master's in Educational Psychology.

Mr. Kairigi stated he had completed both Master's programs at the same time and had to use the credits from both programs to qualify for the PhD program at the University of Utah.

Mr. Wilde stated there was a question regarding the hours Mr. Kairigi completed for his internship and practicum. Mr. Wilde stated hours were reported in 2007 and also 2017 and the Board wanted to know why there was a gap between hours.

Mr. Kairigi stated shortly after he started his PhD program he returned to his country to attend a funeral and was unable to have his Visa cleared for return to the United States. Mr. Kairigi stated it took ten years for the situation involving his visa to be resolved. Mr. Kairigi stated he returned to the United States in 2017 and started his PhD program.

Ms. Alfieri stated she is concerned about how Mr. Kairigi will not practice outside the scope of practice as an ACMHC if he is working towards obtaining his PhD in Psychology.

Mr. Kairigi stated he has at least two years before he completes his PhD program. Mr. Kairigi stated during this time he plans to practice as an ACMHC and stated it will be awhile before he starts a residency for his PhD program.

Dr. Roach stated based on the information provided and Mr. Kairigi's enrollment in the University of Utah's Counseling Psychology PhD program, he feels Mr. Kairigi's education qualifies for the issuance of an ACMHC License.

Mr. Carver stated he agreed with the findings.

**Dr. Roach made a motion to approve Mr. Kairigi's application for ACMHC licensure.
Ms. Wilde seconded the motion.
The Board motion passed.**

PATRICK IDE, APPLICATION (1:42)

The Division has requested Board review of Mr. Ide's education and experience. The Division would like to verify Mr. Ide's education meets requirements for ACMHC licensure.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Mr. Ide.

Mr. Ide stated he is meeting with the Board to see if he can be approved for an ACMHC license at a minimum. Mr. Ide stated he had applied for licensure by endorsement but did not qualify because he had not practice long enough after receiving his North Carolina license.

Dr. Roach asked Mr. Ide how long he's practiced since receiving his North Carolina License.

Mr. Ide stated roughly six months.

Ms. Zaelit asked Mr. Ide if he is still practicing.

Mr. Ide stated he has online clients with North Carolina.

Ms. Zaelit stated to clarify, Mr. Ide is seeing North Carolina clients via telehealth from Utah.

Mr. Ide stated that is correct.

Ms. Alfieri asked if Mr. Ide has a supervisor in North Carolina and if he is a W2 Employee or 1099.

Mr. Ide stated he does have a supervisor and he works as a 1099 employee with North Carolina.

Mr. Carver stated if Mr. Ide receives a Utah ACMHC license he would not be allowed to practice as a 1099 employee in Utah.

Mr. Carver stated the Board had concerns with information obtained via an online website that indicates Mr. Ide has a private practice location in Utah. Mr. Carver stated a Utah based practice would require Mr. Ide to hold a Utah License.

Mr. Ide stated it had been a while since he was on that website and thought it only identified his North Carolina information.

Dr. Roach stated with regards to Mr. Ide's internship and practicum, it does not appear to meet Utah's requirements.

Ms. Zaelit asked if the Board would consider the hours Mr. Ide has completed, after full licensure, in another state as meeting the education requirements.

Mr. Carver stated if the program was considered a CACREP accredited program it would qualify.

Mr. Ide stated he was under the assumption that his program was within the window being considered for accreditation.

Ms. Dennis asked Mr. Ide what catalog contract he under when he enrolled. Ms. Dennis asked if it was the 2012-2013 catalog or the 2013-2014 catalog.

Mr. Ide stated he enrolled in the program in January of 2013.

Ms. Dennis stated Mr. Ide would have needed to have the schools admissions department update him to the current catalog contract that fell under the CACREP accreditation standards.

Mr. Ide stated he was not aware that was something he needed to do nor had the option to do. Mr. Ide stated it was something he could check into and have adjusted with the school of needed.

Dr. Roach asked Ms. Dennis when the school received their CACREP accreditation.

Ms. Dennis stated the school received their CACREP accreditation July of 2013. Ms. Dennis stated those entering into the program during the 2013 fall semester would have to be under the CACREP standards. Ms. Dennis stated the school may have had everything in place at the time Mr. Ide entered the program, but without the seal of approval from the school, Utah would have to evaluate his education without CACREP standards.

Mr. Wilde asked Mr. Ide if he is seeing clients in Utah.

Mr. Ide stated he is but only as a life coach. Mr. Ide stated this is immediately disclosed with his professional disclosure statement. Mr. Ide stated he would update the information online to that there is no confusion or issues ethically with his practice.

Ms. Zaelit asked Mr. Ide what his scope of practice is as a Life Coach.

Mr. Ide stated his practice is based on clients who are in a career transition.

Ms. Alfieri asked how Mr. Ide ensures that he is not crossing the line and practicing mental health therapy.

Mr. Ide stated if a client wanted to address issues that were clinical in nature he would refer them to a counselor who is licensed to practice mental health therapy in Utah.

The Board stated while they were trying to make a decision regarding Mr. Ide's education they were concerned about Mr. Ide's current practice in Utah and his representation of practice in Utah that is identified online.

Ms. Zaelit stated the information regarding the Board's concerns would be forward to investigation.

Dr. Roach stated the issues whether there was any wrong doing regarding Mr. Ide's representation and practice in Utah would need to be determined by the Division and at this time would like the Board to make the determination on Mr. Ide's education meets requirements for an ACMHC license.

Based on the information provided the Board stated they would consider Mr. Ide's program under the CACREP accreditation guidelines since the school received accreditation the same year Mr. Ide was attending.

Mr. Wilde made a motion to accept Mr. Ide's education and recommend licensure as an ACMHC.

Mr. Brueck seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed.

Mr. Smith asked the Board if Mr. Ide is an ACMHC and the owner of a company, how will his hours be considered.

The Board stated as an ACMHC in Utah Mr. Ide would not be able to have his own private practice or hire his own supervisor. The Board stated Mr. Ide would need to gain employment at another agency as a W-2 employee.

Ms. Zaelit stated since Mr. Ide will hold two different licenses for two different states he needs to be very clear and understand at all times what license and what State he is practicing under. Ms. Zaelit stated when Mr. Ide is practicing as an ACMHC in Utah, he needs to follow all the requirements for that license. When Mr. Ide is practicing as a CMHC for North Carolina, he needs to follow all the requirements for that license.

Mr. Ide stated he understood.

SEAN HOWARD, INITIAL PROBATION REVIEW (2:06)

Mr. Howard met with the Board for the first time since signing his Stipulation and Order.

Mr. Carver conduct the meeting with Mr. Howard.

Mr. Howard was advised he or the Board could request to close the meeting when discussing character, professional competence or physical or mental health.

Mr. Howard asked to close the meeting.

Mr. Carver made a motion to close the meeting in accordance with the Open and Public Meetings Act, 52-4-250(1) (a) to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual.

Ms. Alfieri seconded the motion.

The Board motion carried unanimously.

The meeting closed at 11:25 A.M.

A recording was not made and written minutes were not taken.

Mr. Brueck made a motion to open the meeting.

Mr. Wilde seconded the motion.

The Board motion carried unanimously.

The meeting opened at 11:45 A.M.

The Board stated unless Mr. Howard gains employment, that would require he meet with the Board sooner, they would consider having Mr. Howard meet with the Board every other meeting or on a quarterly basis.

Ms. Alfieri stated she would like Mr. Howard to complete continuing education on boundaries. Ms. Alfieri stated once the course was completed she would like Mr. Howard to provide a written essay on what he learned, address how his decision making led to his situation, and what he can do going forward to ensure it does not happen again.

Mr. Wilde asked Mr. Howard what kind of support system he has.

Mr. Howard stated he has a great support system. Mr. Howard stated he attends AA meetings and has made several friends within the groups. Mr. Howard stated he has repaired several of his family relationships and has a girlfriend who has been very supportive.

Ms. Zaelit asked Mr. Howard if he would return to the previous work environment he had.

Mr. Howard stated he does not have plans to return to that environment and hopes to obtain employment with a recovery center.

Ms. Alfieri made a motion to make an amendment to Mr. Howard's written plan to complete six hours of continuing education regarding boundaries and provide a written essay.

Mr. Wilde seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed.

An appointment was made for Mr. Howard to meet with the Board July 8, 2020.

WILFRIED TEPPER, EXTENSION (2:15)

Mr. Tepper met with the Board to ask for the reinstatement and extension of his ACMHC license.

Mr. Carver conducted the meeting with Mr. Tepper.

Mr. Tepper stated his license expired in January and is meeting with the Board today to see if they will reinstate and grant him an extension. Mr. Tepper stated he took his exam and did not pass and is waiting to retake it again.

Mr. Wilde stated the information Mr. Tepper regarding his supervised experience showed he has 100 hours left to complete.

Mr. Tepper stated the hours he reported will have to be redone because his supervisor did not meet qualifications to supervise. Mr. Tepper stated he was unaware at the time and trusted his supervisor knew and met the requirements to supervise.

Mr. Carver stated its Mr. Tepper's responsibility to know the requirements of his license.

Mr. Tepper stated he understood and indicated his employer is aware of the situation and will provide a qualified supervisor to Mr. Tepper.

Ms. Alfieri asked Mr. Tepper what happened with his clients since his license expired and he was no longer eligible to see them.

Mr. Tepper stated his clients were referred to other therapists in his agency.

Mr. Carver stated he is concerned with the amount of time it is taken Mr. Tepper to complete requirements for licensure. Mr. Carver stated Mr. Tepper was first issued his license in 2014 and its six years later and he has not been able to complete his hours or pass his exam.

Mr. Tepper stated he did not realize it had been six years and stated when he first obtained his license he was working part time. Mr. Tepper stated prior to his licensing expiring he was working full time and able to accrue his hours.

Ms. Alfieri asked Ms. Zaelit if Mr. Tepper's license had expired when he last met with the Board.

Ms. Zaelit stated Mr. Tepper has continuously been granted extensions with the expectation he was going to take and pass his exam and complete his hours.

The Board expressed concerned over client care and concerns with the results from Mr. Tepper's exam.

Mr. Wilde asked Mr. Tepper if he has other employment

Mr. Tepper stated he does not have other employment since his focus has been on completing his hours and studying for his exam.

Dr. Roach asked Mr. Tepper how many times he has taken the exam.

Mr. Tepper stated he took the exam for the first time February 15, 2020.

Ms. Alfieri asked Mr. Tepper why he had not attempted to take the exam previously.

Mr. Tepper stated when he met with the Board in July 2019 he advised the Board at that time he did not know the NCMHCE exam was required.

Ms. Carver asked Mr. Tepper what steps he has taken to understand the requirements of his license. Mr. Carver stated he is concerned that every time Mr. Tepper meets with the Board he indicates he was not aware of certain requirements.

Dr. Roach asked Mr. Tepper if he has completed continuing education.

Mr. Tepper stated he has taken continuing education courses and he is waiting to receive the certificate verifying completion.

Dr. Roach stated he was in favor of reinstating Mr. Tepper's ACMHC license since he only has a few more hours of supervised experience to complete.

Ms. Alfieri stated she does not feel comfortable reinstating Mr. Tepper's ACMHC license until he passes his NCMHCE exam.

Mr. Carver stated he agreed with Ms. Alfieri's recommendation and again stated he is concerned with some of the areas of the exam that Mr. Tepper scored low in.

Ms. Alfieri made a motion to recommend that the Division does not reinstate Mr. Tepper's ACMHC license until he passes the NCMHCE exam.

Mr. Wilde seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed.

Ms. Zaelit stated if Mr. Tepper takes and passes the exam in May he can contact the Division and make plans to meet with the Board in July.

WORKING LUNCH

DISCUSSION:

1. SB 68 STATUS (2:31)

Ms. Zaelit stated SB 68 passed during the 2020 legislative session. Ms. Zaelit reviewed the language changes created by the Bill and stated the Bill allows a pathway for those who graduated with a Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling to obtain licensure as a clinical mental health counselor. They must also pass both the NCE and NCMHCE exams.

2. CODE OF ETHICS (1:35) Out of Order

Dr. Roach stated the Utah Mental Health Counselors Association (UMHCA) has asked for the Utah Clinical Mental Health Counselor Licensing Board to reconsider recognizing the American Mental Health Counselors Association (AMHCA) Code of Ethics instead of just recognizing the American Counseling Association (ACA) Code of Ethics.

Mr. Carver stated from a school perspective there is not a curriculum to teach towards the AMHC Code of Ethics and school programs are teaching towards the ACA Code of Ethics.

Mr. Wilde asked what standards CACREP requires.

Dr. Roach stated CACREP requires students comply with the ACA Code of Ethics.

The Board determined while there are similarities between the ACA Code of Ethics and the AMHCA Code of Ethics, at this time they do not see the need to change from the ACA Code of Ethics.

3. INTERNSHIP HOURS

Ms. Zaelit stated she wanted to follow up with the Board regarding changing the internship requirement for those programs that were not CACREP accredited. Currently the requirement is 1000 hours including 400 hours in mental health therapy. The recommended changes have been to align with the CACREP standards and only require 700 hours with a reduced number of hours required for mental health therapy.

Ms. Zaelit stated she does not have an exact timeline of when the changes will be updated but that they will be processed with the other Statute and Rule changes.

ADJOURN:


The meeting adjourned at 12:41 P.M.

NEXT SCHEDULED HEARING / MEETING: MAY 13, 2020

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

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Paul Carver, Chairperson, Utah Clinical Mental Health Counselor Licensing Board



Jennifer (Zaelit) Falkenrath, Bureau Manager, DOPL