

Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors

Minutes of the Meeting

Monday, November 16, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

The Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors met on November 16, 2009, in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act and Open Meeting Act. The meeting was held at 5104 North Francis Avenue, Suite C, and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Members present were:

Robert Stevens
Jane Lepak
Patti Pojezny
Dr. Keith Killian
Kyle McGraw

Rhonda Cochran notified the Board she was sick and would not be attending.

Board Vice chair, Jane Lepak asked all present to identify themselves. Others present were Sandra Balzer, Assistant Attorney General to the Board, Ric Pierson, Executive Director to the Board, Cheryl Waite, Administrative Assistant to the Board office, Ron Latimer, Sally McLaughlin, Cindy Satterfield, Beverly Locke, Ray Whitson, Ed Whitson, Eileen Whitson, Roger Leinke and Jan Young.

Minutes of the September 21, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Stevens made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. McGraw seconded the motion. The minutes for the September 21, 2009 meeting were approved.

Complaint # 126-1009 was presented. Eileen Whitson a LADC candidate pled guilty to Medicaid fraud. Mr. Stevens made a motion to deny Ms. Whitson's application at this time. The motion died for lack of a second.

932 – James Patterson enters the Boardroom.

Mr. McGraw made a motion to table this complaint until January 2010 when we would have more details on this case. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. . A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Recused
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	No
James Patterson	Recused

Complaint #106-0609 was presented. Beverly Locke, LADC Candidate is charged with Billing fraud. Ms. Locke stated that she wished to discontinue the LADC process. Dr. Killian made a motion to take no action on this complaint because Ms. Locke has withdrawn her application. Mr. McGraw seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Yes
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Complaint # 120-0909. Nicole Wiscombe, LADC Candidate is charged with sexual misconduct. Ms. Wiscombe was not present, but submitted a written denial to the allegations against her. A motion was made by Mr. Stevens to deny Ms. Wiscombe's application for LADC. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Yes
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Linda Swearingen, CADC, appeared to request the board consider accepting her Masters degree in Wellness Management for application to upgrade to LADC. After much discussion, Mr. McGraw made a motion to accept Ms. Swearingen's degree and allow her to upgrade to LADC. Mr. Stevens seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Recused
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Mary Janice Young appeared to request the Board accept her application for LADC candidate. Her application was denied by Board office because of surrendering her medical license. Mary Richards, a colleague of Ms. Young's attorney requested we move this item to the end of the agenda when Ms. Young's attorney would be here. The Board agreed.

Mr. Pierson presented a request from Carolyn Skaggs, LADC candidate to accept her past supervision. Mr. Patterson made a motion to deny Ms. Skaggs past supervision. Dr. Killian seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Yes
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Mr. Patterson made a motion to look into the validity of the letter sent by Ms. Skaggs, and possibly initiate a complaint of falsifying paperwork. Mr. Stevens seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Yes
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Mr. Pierson presented a request from Div Metha, CADC candidate requesting we accept his application for LADC. Ms. Pojezny made a motion to deny his request to make application for LADC at this time. Mr. McGraw seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Yes
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Roger Lienke appeared to request the board accept his transcripts for CADC application. After much discussion, Dr. Killian made a motion to accept Mr. Lienke's transcript for application for CADC. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Yes
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Ron Latimer, CADC #292 appeared to request re-activation of certification from inactive status after a relapse and felony charges. Dr. Killian made a motion to allow Mr. Latimer to re-activate his CADC with the following provisions: 1- Document proof of attendance of four (4) 12-step meetings per week, 2- Submit to random monthly urinalysis testing at a facility approved by the board, 3 – Execute consents for release of court-ordered drug testing results to the board and 4 – Personally appear before the board quarterly and provide quarterly reports of job performance and discuss progress. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw: Yes
Dr. Keith Killian Yes
Patti Pojezny: Yes
Jane Lepak: Yes
Bob Stevens: Yes
James Patterson Yes

Mr. Pierson presented a request from Mr. Ronald Wahkinney to appear before the Board in January for his quarterly review. Board agreed to see Mr. Wahkinney in January.

1125 – The board took a break
1130 – The board returned to session.

Mary Janice Young appeared to request the Board accept her application for LADC even though she surrendered her medical license to due to Alcohol/substance abuse. Dr. Killian made a motion to accept her application for LADC. Mr. Stevens seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Yes

Mr. Pierson presented complaint #122-0909 regarding Breach of Confidentiality. Mr. Stevens made a motion to find probable cause in regards to complaint #122-0909. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Yes

Mr. Pierson presented questions in regards to the new Supervision training. Mr. McGraw made a motion that an LADC must be licensed for a full 2 years before they can register for Supervision training. Mr. Steven seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Yes

Mr. Patterson made a motion to correct Title 38:10-9-5 (f) (3) (A) discrepancy between “1/8 of total supervision time and # of sessions” through the Regular Administrative Permanent Rules Change procedure in February 2010. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Yes

1210 – The Board went into recess for lunch. The Board was called back at 1240

Mr. Pierson presented information from Licensing and Credentialing Workgroup on Supervision Training via “Telecast,” and asked for board’s approval. Mr. Stevens made a motion to not accept at this time, but to start a sub-committee to investigate further. Dr. Killian seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Abstain
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Yes

Dr. Killian made a motion to accept the candidates presented for licensure/certification with the exception of Nicole Wiscombe. Mr. Stevens seconded the motion. The candidates were approved as follows:

Brenda Bennett	CADC	Elgin
Sheryl Nelson	LADC	Arcadia
Abigail Frisbie	LADC	Oklahoma City
Heather McClure	LADC	Skiatook
Alicja Carter	LADC	Shawnee
Kelli Steele	LADC	Shawnee
Joseph Jenkins	LADC	Tulsa
Marissa Bennett	LADC	Midwest City

CADC's who passed Advanced Written Exam for LADC

Frank Coolbroth	LADC	Idabel
Claudia McGurk	LADC	Stillwater
Mark Banta	LADC	Edmond
Lois Jacoby	LADC	Tulsa

The Board set the calendar for 2010 Board meetings as follows:

January 25, 2010
 March 15, 2010
 May 17, 2010
 July 19, 2010
 September 20, 2010
 November 15, 2010

Mr. Pierson presented his Executive Director's report.

Lyle Kelsey of the Medical Board presented the 2009/2010 contract with the Medical Board for the board for approval. Mr. McGraw made a motion to approve the contract with the Medical Board FY10 7/1/2009 through 6/30/2010. Mr. Stevens seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Out of room

Lyle Kelsey of the Medical Board presented financial reports. Mr. Stevens made a motion to approve invoices from July and August 2009 for payment. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Yes

Mr. McGraw made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and recorded as follows:

Kyle McGraw:	Yes
Dr. Keith Killian	Yes
Patti Pojezny:	Yes
Jane Lepak:	Yes
Bob Stevens:	Yes
James Patterson	Yes

1405 - Mr. McGraw had to leave due to prior commitment.

Discussion regarding changes to CADC's, which have been proposed by ODMHSAS. No action taken at this time.

Under new business, Mr. Pierson presented a request from a current supervisor to take the Written Test for LADC again so she could help her supervisees prepare for the test. Ms. Balzer reminded us that our law states that: only applications for CADC/LADC are allowed to take the test.

Dr. Killian made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Pojezny seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a voice vote, and none opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 1422.