

Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors

Minutes of the VIRTUAL Board Meeting

Monday, November 2, 2020 at 9:00 A.M.

The Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors met for a Board Meeting on Monday, November 2, 2020 in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act and Open Meetings Act. The meeting was held virtually.

Dr. Bill Sharp presented the Statement of Compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the Mission Statement of the Board. Advance notice of this scheduled meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on September 20, 2019, and posted on the OBLADC website. The Secretary of State was notified on September 30, 2020 that this meeting was being changed to an AUDIO/VIDEO meeting due to the ongoing Covid-19 crisis and the change was posted on the Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors website. The agenda was posted on October 29, 2020 at 4:35 PM.

Members present at roll call were:

Don Burk
Dr. Bill Sharp
Steven Fritz
Randy Honeycutt
Rita Maxwell

Others present were Ric Pierson, Executive Director of the Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors, Sandra Balzer, Assistant Attorney General and Counsel for the Board, Assistant Attorney General John Crittenden, Bethany Stout and Andrea Walker. Board member Judith Adams joined the meeting, and Board member Don Burk left the meeting.

Minutes for the September 21, 2020 Board Meeting were reviewed. Steven Fritz made a motion to approve the minutes with one correction on page 4. Rita Maxwell seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Dr. Judith Adams | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes |

Bethany Stout, LADC #764 (REVOKED) requested the Board to reconsider terms of the FINAL ORDER WITH THE Board Complaint #356-0414. AAG Crittenden served as the Board

advisor and AAG Balzer served as prosecutor for this complaint. AAG Crittenden advised the Board to go on record that the Original Consent Order in this complaint be State's Exhibit #1 for today's meeting and that Title 59 §4001.(e) (3) and 317 (c) gives the Board authority to act in this case. Respondent agreed to accept State's Exhibit #1. Cathy Christensen made a motion that the Board has authority to act in this case. Dr. Adams seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Dr. Judith Adams | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes |

Steven Fritz made a motion at 9:45 a.m. to enter into Executive Session and the motion was seconded by Cathy Christensen. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Dr. Judith Adams | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes |

At 10:35 a.m., Cathy Christensen made a motion to exit Executive Session and come back into regular session. Steven Fritz seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Dr. Judith Adams | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes |

Dr. Adams lost power at her office and was unable to participate in today's meeting.

Motion by Steven Fritz and seconded by Cathy Christensen to deny the request by Ms. Stout and that the Order in Complaint # 356-0414 remain in place. The respondent may reapply in the future. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes |

Andrea Walker was present and representing Oral Roberts University in the university's request to add a clinical Master's degree in Divinity with a substance abuse specialty/emphasis. The Board reviewed proposed courses and asked questions. Steven Fritz made a motion to accept this new degree as presented. Cathy Christensen seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes. |

Mr. Pierson proposed a change in language in Subchapter 11 that was not on the agenda in September. The change is to adjust the total maximum amount charged for a certification or license renewal from \$200.00 to \$225.00 due to an increase in basic licensure renewal fee of \$25.00 last year. Steven Fritz made a motion to accept this language change in Subchapter 11. Rita Maxwell seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes. |

Mr. Pierson proposed a language change in Subchapter 13 regarding continuing education for candidates. This language was added in September in Subchapter 11, and Mr. Pierson proposed moving the language to Subchapter 13 where Continuing Education requirements are addressed. Steven Fritz made a motion to strike the language from Subchapter 11, Application Maintenance Fee, and move to Subchapter 13, Continuing Education. Rita Maxwell seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Steven Fritz | Yes |
| Dr. Bill Sharp | Yes |
| Randy Honeycutt | Yes |
| Rita Maxwell | Yes |
| Cathy Christensen | Yes. |

The committee appointed to discuss Criminal History of applicants reported to the Board and the Board asked that the committee continue to look at this and make specific recommendations at the January Board meeting. No action was taken.

Jennifer Mueller, U.S.A.F. Retired, requested reciprocity. Ms. Mueller was not present and did not furnish documents to the Board prior to the meeting. No action was taken.

Mr. Pierson gave a brief financial report. Due to Covid-19 shutdown, financial information was unavailable at this time.

Mr. Pierson gave the Executive Director's report.

Due to Covid-19, test of applicants has been postponed at this time and no candidates have been able to complete requirements.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.