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STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL & FINANCIAL REGULATION OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL & OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION BOARD OF COUNSELING PROFESSIONALS LICENSURE 76 NORTHERN AVENUE GARDINER, MAINE 04345

Joan F. Cohen Commissioner

Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure Public Board Meeting Monday, April 28, 2025

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer King, Board Chair Angela Blier, Vice Chair (remote) Holly Cavna, Complaint Officer (remote) Joanne Grant Ellen Grunblatt Lisa-Ann Henry Carolyn Silsby, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Megan Hudson-MacRae, Assistant Attorney General George Morgan, Board Investigator Cecile Sirois, Professional Licensing Supervisor Katy Getchell, Office Specialist I

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Jennifer King, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Review and approval of the March 24, 2025 minutes.

A motion was made by Holly Cavna and seconded by Ellen Grunblatt to approve the minutes as written.

Vote: 7 in favor.

COMPLAINT PRESENTATIONS

2024-COU-19944

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A motion was made by Ellen Grunblatt and seconded by Carolyn Silsby to dismiss due to lack of violation of Board Laws and Rules.

Vote: 6 in favor, 1 recused: Holly Cavna.

2024-COU-20330

A motion was made by Joanne Grant and seconded by Carolyn Silsby to dismiss this complaint due to the lack of evidence of a violation of Board laws or rules and to issue a letter of guidance, citing Board rules Chapter 8-A 3 (competence), which will stay in the licensee's file for 1 year.

Vote: 6 in favor, 1 abstained: Holly Cavna.

2024-COU-20477

A motion was made by Ellen Grunblatt and seconded by Joanne Grant to set this matter for an adjudicatory hearing and offer a consent agreement, in lieu of a hearing, citing Board rules Chapter 8-A 2(1)(B) (risk of harm or exploitation of the client), with a: reprimand; and required probational supervision of at least one hour a month for one year. The supervisor is to be a board approved supervisor who does not work at the same facility and has not provided guidance to you in the past. The supervisor is to submit quarterly reports and a final recommendation.

Vote: 6 in favor, 1 abstained: Holly Cavna.

2025-COU-20527

A motion was made by Carolyn Silsby and seconded by Lisa Henry to dismiss due to lack of violation of Board Laws and Rules.

Vote: 6 in favor, 1 abstained: Holly Cavna.

2025-COU-20558

A motion was made by Jennifer King and seconded by Ellen Grunblatt to dismiss due to lack of violation of Board Laws and Rules.

Vote: 6 in favor, 1 abstained: Holly Cavna.

COMPLAINT COMPLIANCE ITEMS

2024-COU-19811 Quarterly Reports

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A motion was made by Holly Cavna and seconded by Carolyn Silsby to approve the reports as submitted.

Vote: 7 in favor.

2024-COU-20210 Supervisor Approval

A motion was made by Holly Cavna and seconded by Carolyn Silsby to approve the supervisor.

Vote: 7 in favor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Board Administrator, Kristina Halvorsen, None

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Denis Noonan spoke to the Board about pastoral round table comity and changes that are happening with pastoral counseling. He spoke about the pastoral counseling standards group as well.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Joanne Grant and seconded by Lisa Henry to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

Vote: 7 in favor.

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