

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL & FINANCIAL REGULATION OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION

BOARD OF COUNSELING PROFESSIONALS LICENSURE



Penny Vaillancourt Director

Joan F. Cohen Commissioner

Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure Public Board Meeting Monday, September 22, 2025

AGENDA

Location: Maine Department of Professional and Financial Regulation

76 Northern Ave., Gardiner, ME 04345

Room: Central Conference Room

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Virtual Platform via Zoom:

https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/85324375078?pwd=QWkCQBnVc8QA57H6GEEdFwJsqTbHmA.1

Meeting ID: 853 2437 5078

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The Zoom link for virtual observation is also posted on the board's website at: <u>Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure - Board Meeting Information | Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation.</u>

Board Member Participation

Board members may participate remotely in Board meetings pursuant to Title 1, Section 403-B and the Board Member Remote Participation Policy adopted by the Board on May 22, 2023.

Public Participation:

Regardless of whether the Board meets in-person or by remote virtual means via Zoom, the public may observe the board meeting in-person at the location described above or may choose to join virtually (see the link above).

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. DRAFT MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

1. August 25, 2025 minutes.

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III. COMPLAINT PRESENTATIONS

- 1. 2025-COU-20738
- 2. 2025-COU-20746
- 3. 2025-COU-20858

IV. APPLICATION REVIEW

1. Initial Application: Emily Stevens

V. CORRESPONDENCE FOR BOARD REVIEW

- 1. August 12, 2025 letter from Tara Franklin re: 2019-COU-15756
- 2. August 26, 2025 email from Denis Noonan re: pastoral counseling licensure

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

VII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

"The Board will offer an opportunity to members of the public in attendance to comment on any public matter under the jurisdiction of the Board, except for any open application or complaint. While the Board cannot take action on any issues presented, the Board will listen to comments and may ask staff to place the issue on a subsequent agenda. At the discretion of the Board Chair a time limit on comments may be set."

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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