



**Board of Allied Mental Health Practitioners**  
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
VERMONT BOARD OF ALLIED MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS  
JUNE 20, 2019 MEETING

Present: Tammy Austin, Lynn Irwin, Carol Smith and Scott Giles; Absent: Shawn Waldron; Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Diane Lafaille and Lauren Layman.

1. General Business

- a. The Board called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.
- b. Ms. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Irwin, to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2019 meeting as written. Approved.

2. Preliminary Denial Hearing

- a. Dennise Demers Preliminary Denial Hearing was heard at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Irwin moved, seconded by Ms. Smith, to reject the Stipulation and Consent Order. Approved.

3. Applications

House, Frederick – Additional information is needed. Once this documentation is received, the Board directs the Office to review the documents and if all is in order, the Office can issue the license. If there are questions, it will need to go back to the Board for review.

Lambert, Joshua – The Board approved a course he has taken. Additional documentation is needed regarding other coursework requirements.

Perez, Amanda – Additional information is needed.

Suarez, Kyle – Additional information is needed.

4. Topics for Discussion

- a. The Board reviewed its current administrative rules for Mental Health Counselors and made comments on sections they would like to discuss further regarding revisions. The Board will continue to discuss this at future meetings.
- b. Legislative Survey – Attorney Layman updated the Board that the OPR Bill had passed and mentioned the Prescribing Bill for psychologists was still on the wall. She also noted that the renewal and application fees will be raised as follows:

Non Licensed and Non Certified Psychotherapist – Application fee will be raised from \$75 to \$80 and the renewal fee will be raised from \$90 to \$150.00;

Marriage and Family Therapist – Application fee will be raised from \$125 to \$150 and the renewal fee will be raised from \$150 to \$250;

Mental Health Counselor – Application fee will be raised from \$125 to \$150 and the renewal fee will be raised from \$150 to \$200.

- c. Mr. Giles presented the Board with the draft of the Jurisprudence Examination he has worked on. The Board will review this at a future meeting.

5. Other Business

- a. Mr. Irwin moved, seconded by Ms. Smith, to accept the Memorandum of Understanding's (MOU) from Springfield College and from St. Michael's College. Approved.

The MOU from Antioch for DMT was tabled.

- b. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2019.
- c. The Board adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Diane Lafaille, Licensing Administrator I