



**Board of Allied Mental Health Practitioners**  
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
VERMONT BOARD OF ALLIED MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS  
MARCH 18, 2021 REMOTE MEETING

Present: Tammy Austin, Lynn Irwin, Carol Smith, Shawn Waldron, and Alexander Farrell, Ad Hoc; Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Kara Shangraw and Lauren Layman.

1. General Business

- a. The Board called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- b. Mr. Waldron moved, seconded by Mr. Irwin, to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2021 meeting as written. Approved.

2. Applications

Mr. Waldron moved, seconded by Ms. Smith, to accept the decisions made for the following applications. Approved.

Coddou, Pablo – His education will be re-reviewed and a determination made at the Board's April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Govendo, Lara - The Board states that Rule 3.7(a) requires the CACREP-accredited degree to be in clinical mental health counseling. Because the applicant's degree, though CACREP-accredited, was in community mental health rather than clinical mental health counseling, the Board determined the requirements of Rule 3.7(a) were not met.

Houston, Sarah – The Board approved this application in accordance with Rule 3.23(b). The applicant must complete the NCE to become licensed.

O'Connor, Seamus – Tabled until the Board's next meeting.

Roberts, Sarah – Rule 3.14(a) requires that examinations be completed within 5 years of licensure. The applicant must retake the NCE to be eligible for licensure.

3. Continuing Education

ICE-27589 – Psychotherapy Network Symposium 2021 – The Board approved the content of this course for credit. However, only those hours that the individual requesting approval of this course completed will be accepted. An individual will not be approved for the full 60 hours of continuing education offered.

4. Other Business

- a. Uniform 3-year Endorsement was discussed. A policy will be reviewed at the Board's next meeting.
- b. Attorney Layman updated the Board on pending Legislation.
- c. The Board will review the jurisprudence examination and discuss at its next meeting.
- d. Attorney Layman will draft a policy regarding "substantial equivalence" for endorsement applications. The Board will review at its next meeting.
- e. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2021.
- f. The Board adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

5. Public Comment