



Board of Allied Mental Health Practitioners
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF ALLIED MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS
DECEMBER 19, 2019 MEETING

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

1. General Business

- a. The Board called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.
- b. Mr. Irwin moved, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2019 meeting as written. Approved.

2. Director Hibbert discussed the budget with the Board. She stated that the Office will not be looking for a fee increase in 2021.

3. Applications

Cormier, Gabrielle – Additional information is needed.

Dawson, Melissa – MFT – Additional information is needed.

Martn-Dehay, Heidi – Endorsement from Washington and Florida – The standards are not considered substantially equal. She will be required to apply on the basis of examination.

Sheperd, Kristin – Additional information is needed.

4. Continuing Education

Evidence-Based Training – 36 hours approved.

5. Topics for Discussion

- a. Legislative Survey – Attorney Layman stated that the OPR Bill that will be submitted to legislature this year is more workforce issues in Title 3. She said that specifically that OPR intends to propose the following:
 - Criminal Records
 - Uniform Endorsement Requirements
 - Sunrise/Sunset Process for continuing education requirement review

Attorney Layman showed the Board how to monitor a bill.

6. Other Business

- a. Elections

Chair – Mr. Irwin nominated Ms. Austin for chair, seconded by Mr. Waldron. Approved.

Vice-Chair – Ms. Smith nominated Mr. Irwin for vice-chair, seconded by Mr. Waldon. Approved.

Secretary – Mr. Irwin nominated Mr. Waldron for secretary, seconded by Ms. Smith. Approved.

- b. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2020.
- c. The Board adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Diane Lafaille, Licensing Administrator I