

Louisiana Licensed Professional Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors Board of Examiners

Minutes for 07/14/2023

10:07 am – 11:25 am

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:07 am by Vice Chair Tom Mungall, who started the meeting while awaiting Chair Ashley Lastrapes's arrival who had been slightly detained. In attendance were Ashley Lastrapes (arrived later), Danielle Rhodes, Tom Mungall, Louie Lipinski, Linda Alwood, and Marleen Landry.
2. There were no public comments.
3. Prior minutes were reviewed. Tom Mungall asked that the minutes be amended to note that he was elected to serve as Ethics Chair, that Marleen Cockfield's name be changed to Marleen Landry, and that Ashley Lastrapes sign the minutes as she prepared them. Tom moved, seconded by Danielle to approve the minutes as amended. Chair Ashley Lastrapes arrived and continued the meeting.
4. The financial report and proposed annual budget were reviewed and upon motion by Ashley and Louie they were accepted as presented.
5. While reviewing the provisional licensees, it was noted that one had not submitted the supervisor's form in a timely manner. He will be notified that it must be submitted by the next board meeting, or the board will have further discussion as to whether his provisional license is valid.
6. The board discussed national companies' practice of not requiring LRC licensed vocational rehabilitation counselors.
7. The board discussed the logistics of finding legislative support to revise the licensure fee. Contact needs to be made in both the Senate and House.
8. The board reviewed the list of licensees who have renewed their licenses and those who have yet to renew.
9. Akili Banjo-Yeboah (CPRP – Certified Psychiatric Rehabilitation Practitioner) asked if her CPRP could be used to meet the qualifications for applying for licensure. The board asked the staff to determine who issues the license, what is their curriculum, and send requirements for certification for the board to review.
10. The next board meeting will be held on 11/17/2023.
11. The meeting concluded at 11:25 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Lastrapes