

**Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation**  
**Division of Professional Regulation**  
**Illinois Professional Counselor Licensing and Disciplinary Board**

**Open Meeting**

**Dates:** Thursday, May 20, 2021

**Call to Order:** 10:38 a.m.

**Adjournment:** 11:47 a.m.

**Location:** IDFPR  
Division of Professional Regulation  
320 W. Washington St.  
Springfield, Illinois

**Board Members Present:** Kenneth H. Kessler Ph.D., Chair (via telephone)  
Judith Fawell, Vice Chair  
Debra Kerr, Public Member  
Nadia Johnson, Member  
Patricia McGinn, Member (via telephone)

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff Members Participating:** Lauren Craig, Office of General Counsel (via telephone)  
Robert Gerton, Board Liaison

**Guests Participating:** None

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>APPLICATION REVIEW</b>	Board members engaged in individual file review Springfield prior to the meeting.	
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>		The meeting was formally called to order at 10:38 a.m.

<p><b>MINUTES ACCEPTANCE</b></p>	<p>Board members reviewed the minutes from open session of the April 8, 2021 meeting.</p>	<p>Motion was made and seconded (McGinn/Johnson) to accept the minutes. Dr. Kessler – Yes Ms. Fawell – Yes Ms. Kerr – Yes Ms. Johnson – Yes Ms. McGinn – Yes Motion Carried.</p>
<p><b>DEPARTMENT TIME</b></p>	<p>A Variance permitting supervision to be conducted remotely during the pandemic has been extended until September 2021.</p> <p>Investigations has asked for the Board’s help with the investigations process.</p> <p>A IDFPR newsletter is being developed for the counseling profession.</p> <p>Any changes to the education section of the Rules in a future rules draft would need to be phased in 2024 or 2025 to allow programs time to establish programs and then graduate students according to new requirements.</p>	
<p><b>MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION</b></p>		<p>Motion was made and seconded (Kerr/McGinn) at approximately 11:36 a.m. to enter into closed session pursuant to Section (2)(c)(15)&amp;(21) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Dr. Kessler – Yes Ms. Fawell – Yes Ms. Kerr – Yes Ms. Johnson – Yes Ms. McGinn – Yes Motion Carried.</p>

<p><b>RESUME OPEN SESSION</b></p>		<p>At approximately 11:40 a.m. motion was made and seconded (McGinn/Kerr) that the Board return to Open Session.  Dr. Kessler – Yes  Ms. Fawell – Yes  Ms. Kerr – Yes  Ms. Johnson – Yes  Ms. McGinn – Yes  Motion Carried.</p>
<p><b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b></p>		<p>Motion was made and seconded (Johnson/McGinn) to affirm the recommendations made in closed session.  Dr. Kessler – Yes  Ms. Fawell – Yes  Ms. Kerr – Yes  Ms. Johnson – Yes  Ms. McGinn – Yes  Motion Carried.</p> <p>Kathleen ALBERTS  Request GRANTED  Action Sheet No. 210361</p> <p>The Board recommended that the minutes of closed session from the April 8, 2021 meeting be accepted.</p>
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>		<p>Formal business of the meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m. May 20, 2021</p>
<p><b>APPLICATION REVIEW</b></p>	<p>Formal business being concluded, Board members resumed individual file review.</p>	

<b>SIGNATURES</b>		The following Action Sheets were signed by the Board:  210361 - 210399
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