**Utah Mental Health Counselors Association**

**April 8, 2023**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

Start:  9:01 am

End:   10:08 am

**MEETING HELD BY WEBINAR DUE TO COVID-19**

·       Explanation of Board Meeting and Protocols by President

·       Welcome to ALL in attendance By Secretary

·       Welcome to those in attendance through Webinar

·       Recognition of Governing Officers and Members of the Board

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**Governing Officers**

·       Anna Lieber, LCMHC, President

·       Ellen Behrens, LP, LCMHC, Ph.D., Vice President

·       Anne Farley, ACMHC, Secretary

·       Terri Goldstein, LCMHC, Treasurer

·       Gray Otis, LCMHC, Presidential Advisor

**Board members**

·       Ellen Behrens, LP, LCMHC, Ph.D., Vice President

·       Anne Farley, ACMHC, Secretary

·       Terri Goldstein, LCMHC, Treasurer

·       Anna Lieber, CMHC, President

·       Jim Macedone, LCMHC, Executive Director (non-voting)

·       Gray Otis, LCMHC, Ph.D., Presidential Advisor

* Bret Dorsett, LCMHC, LPPC Chair

·       Kristal James, LCMHC, Ph.D, EEAC Chair

1.    **Call to Order**

2.    **Recognize a Quorum**

3.    **Call to ratify the Minutes of the March 2023 Board Meeting, motion called, passed.**

4.    **Special Announcements by the President**

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5.    Business of Governing Officers

1. President
   1. DOPL looking at establishing additional supervisor requirements. Next DOPL meeting Wed May 10th 9:00 - 1:00pm. Need a representative from UMHCA to attend.
   2. Utah Coalition of Mental Health Professionals. Next meeting 4/13/23, where bylaws will be approved by the attendees and then brought to UMHCA Exec and Board for approval.
   3. Medicare Update. A temporary set of rules have been established, and of particular note, the requirement for supervision does not align with the new decreased supervised practice time in Utah, which would make counselors ineligible to be a provider due to not meeting the 2 year requirement for supervision that Medicare requires.
2. Executive Director Report
   1. Annual Conference Venue Change to Salt Lake Community College Miller Campus
3. Presidential Advisor Report
   1. AMHCA conference coming up in June
   2. Washington has just passed the legislation to join the Counseling Compact
4. Vice President
   1. Working on the Conference, will provide more details under the Education and Conference Committee section.
5. Secretary – (None)
6. Treasurer Report [Financial Reports 03312023.pdf](https://umhca.org/resources/Documents/Financial%20Reports%2003312023.pdf)
   1. Account Balances: TOTAL $44,348.47
      1. MACU BusChecking------------------------ $20,145.25
      2. MACU MoneyMkt--------------------------- $  7,635.45
      3. MACU Savings--------------------------------$         1.00
      4. PayPal Bank-----------------------------------$      255.21
      5. Zions Checking-------------------------------$ 16,311.56
      6. Zions Money MKT        CLOSED
   2. Discussed addressing bylaws around who is able to have a debit card.

**Committee Business**

**1. Executive Committee (EXEC)**

1. New Projects  - None
2. Update of Progress
   1. Will evaluate the DOPL complaint data after the annual conference. We are continuing to work on the financial reimbursement process.
   2. Nomination of Julie Ann Tucker for the Julie Ann Tucker Award for Excellence in Advocacy. [The Julie Ann Tucker Award for Excellence in Advocacy.pdf](https://umhca.org/resources/Documents/The%20Julie%20Ann%20Tucker%20Award%20for%20Excellence%20in%20Advocacy.pdf)
3. Items for Vote
   1. Approve establishing the annual Julie Ann Tucker Award for Excellence in Advocacy, motion called, passed.
   2. Nomination of Julie Ann Tucker (posthumously) for the 2023 award recipient, motion called, passed.
   3. Nomination for President Elect, motion called to elect Kristal James as the President Elect, motion passed.
4. Budget Changes - None
5. Suggestions from Board - None

**2. Legislative & Public Policy Committee. (LPPC)**

1. New Projects
   1. Communicating with DOPL as they establish supervision qualification rules.
2. Update of Progress
   1. BHWW meeting 4/13
   2. Next LPPC Committee meeting 4/13 6:00pm - preparing for UMHCA conference roundtable and preparing education flyers
   3. Continuing to work on goals in preparation for next legislative session.
   4. Brett Dorset will remain involved with UMHCA, but is no longer able to chair the LPPC committee, Dr. Otis has been asked to step in informally with Anna Lieber supporting that committee as well. We are continuing to support his goals under the strategic plan for this committee.
   5. LPPC will be discussing concerning and alarming legislation that is coming out of the Institute of Justice and other organizations to remove Occupational Licensure for Teletherapy to de-regulate licensure.
3. Items for Vote - None
4. Budget Changes - None
5. Suggestions from Board
   1. Recommended a poster session to educate conference members on this piece around the need for Occupational Licensure and regulating the profession.

**3. Education & Conference Committee (EACC)**

1. New Projects - None
2. Update of Progress
   1. Conference Digital Program was updated, with the rooms being assigned to the various presenters.
   2. Fall Conference will more than likely be at the Salt Lake library.
   3. Next year’s conference will be the coalition
3. Items for Vote - None
4. Budget Changes - None
5. Suggestions from Board - None

**4. Professional Partnership & Associate Partnership Committee (PPAC) (Hold)**

1. New Projects
2. Update of Progress
3. Items for Vote
4. Budget Changes
5. Suggestions from Board

**5. Public Relations, Marketing & Membership Committee (PRMM)**

1. New Projects  - None
2. Update of Progress
   1. Continuing to work on the video for “Your Voice Matters”
   2. “Your Voice Matters” is up for a limited time on the website as a forum for counselors to have their voices heard.
   3. SWAG is being finalized.
3. Items for Vote - None
4. Budget Changes - None
5. Suggestions from Board - None

**6. Graduate Student & Emerging Professionals Committee (GSEP)**

1. New Projects  - None
2. Update of Progress
   1. Kristal James requested to step down as Chair and move to co-chair.
   2. Need for additional poster sessions, will explore extending the time frame for admissions.
   3. We’ve been sending out the Honors Cords and certifications within a few days of receiving their application. We re-organized the structure of how we track this and it’s been working well.
3. Items for Vote
   1. Motion to nominate Dr. Michael Gerald as a co-chair for the GSEP committee, passed. Dr. Michael Gerald has accepted the position as Co-Chair.
4. Budget Changes -None
5. Suggestions from Board - None

**7. Other Business and Items for Discussion - None**

**8.  Adjournment – Motion called to close the April 8, 2023 UMHCA Monthly Meeting, passed at 10:08 am.**