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# ADVISORY BOARD ON GENETIC COUNSELING MINUTES

## June 5, 2017

The Advisory Board on Genetic Counseling met on Monday, June 5, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Matthew Thomas, ScM, CGC, Chair

Heather Creswick, MS, CGC, Vice Chair

John Quillin, PhD, MPH, MS

Lori Swain

**MEMBER ABSENT**: Marilyn Foust, MD

**STAFF PRESENT:** William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst Alan Heaberlin, Deputy Executive Director Colanthia Morton Opher, Operations Manager

Denise Mason, Licensing Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT: Logan B. Karns, MS, University of Virginia

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Thomas called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

### **EMERGENCY EGRESS PROCEDURES**

Mr. Thomas announced the Emergency Egress Instructions.

#### ROLL CALL

The roll was called, and a quorum was declared.

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## APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 14, 2016

Dr. Quillin moved to approve the minutes of November 14, 2016. The motion was seconded and carried.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dr. Quillin moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Karns proposed questions to the Board in regards to the University of California Berkeley Genetic Counseling Program and its accreditation at the time of her graduation.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## 1. Review of Regulations Effective June 14, 2017

Ms. Yeatts reviewed the Regulations Governing the Practice of Genetic Counselors which become effective on June 14, 2017. Heather Creswick made a motion requesting legal advice from the Office of the Attorney General regarding a legal interpretation of 18VAC85-170-60(A) to determine if a candidate for licensure who graduated from an ABCG-accredited program prior to 2013 would be eligible for licensure. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Heaberlin noted that, at the full Board meeting on June 22, 2017, he would request a grace period for licensure until December 31, 2018.

## 2. Review of the Application Process

Mr. Heaberlin led the Advisory Board in a discussion of the application process which included instructions, forms and applications. Minor revisions were discussed for the application process and documents. Ms. Creswick made a motion to approve the revisions. The motion was seconded and carried.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

October 2, 2017 @ 1:00p.m.

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**ADJOURNMENT** 

The Advisory board meeting was adjourned at 2:36p.m.	
Matthew Thomas, Chair	William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Denise Mason. Licensing Specialist	