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Board Meeting Minutes for August 28, 2026

Call to Order

Jennifer Pollard called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. ET.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Jennifer Pollard to approve the July 24, 2026, meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Keefe, and the motion carried.

Board Members and Staff Present

- Nicole Newsom, Board Member
- Jared Dillow, Board Member
- Jennifer Pollard, Board Member
- Jennifer Tucker, Board Member
- Jessika Vance-Morgan, Board Member
- Jonathan Keefe, Board Member
- Gabe Dent, Administrative Supervisor
- Kristen Lawson, Commissioner
- Jennifer Wolsing, Board Counsel
- Miranda Guarnieri, Administrative Assistant

Licensure Report

The Board reviewed the licensure report from July 18, 2026, through August 26, 2026, and did not have any questions or concerns.

Financial Report

The Board reviewed the August 2026 financial report and did not have any questions or concerns.

DPL Report

No news was reported.

Board Attorney's Report

Jessika Vance-Morgan made a motion to move into a closed session, pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j) for deliberations of quasi-judicial bodies regarding the applications and complaints at which information protected by KRS 61.810(k). The motion was seconded by Jonathan Keefe and the motion carried. The Board moved into closed session at 10:10 a.m. ET.

A motion was made to move to open session by Jessika Vance-Morgan, and the motion was seconded by Jonathan Keefe and the motion carried. The Board entered open session at 10:24 a.m.

A motion was made by Nicole Newsom to initiate a complaint, 2026 ABA 00003, and have Jennifer Pollard write the complaint letter. The motion was seconded by Jared Dillow and the motion carried.

New Business

- A motion was made by Nicole Newsom to add Jared Dillow to the applications committee, and for Jonathan Keefe to be vice-chair. The motion was seconded by Jessika Vance – Morgan and the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Jonathan Keefe to send Nicole Newsom to the Autism Law Summit in Charleston, SC. The motion was seconded by Jared Dillow and the motion carried.
- The Board Chair, Kirsti Singer, testified before ARS on August 11, 2026. The regulations will be final on December 2, 2026, assuming no complications arise.

Complaints Committee

The Complaints Committee did not meet this month.

Supervisor Compliance Report

There was not a supervisor compliance report this month.

Applications Committee Report

A motion was made by Jared Dillow to approve the recommendations of the application

committee. The motion was seconded by Jonathan Keefe and the motion carried.

Approval Per Diem

A motion was made to approve per diem for the following by Jessika Vance - Morgan:

N.N. – 8/20/26, 8/26/26, 8/27/26, 8/28/26

J.P. – 8/20/26, 8/26/26, 8/27/26, 8/28/26

K.S. – 8/11/26

J.V.M. – 8/26/26, 8/27/26, 8/28/26

J.D. – 8/28/26

J.K. – 8/28/26

J.T. – 8/28/26

The motion was seconded by Jonathan Keefe and the motion carried.

Next Meeting

September 25, 2026.

Adjournment of Meeting

A motion was made by Jessika Vance-Morgan to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by Jonathan Keefe. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m. ET.