1	STATE OF IOWA
2	BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS
3	701 E. Court Ave., Suite A
4	Des Moines, Iowa 50309
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6	Minutes
7	August 9, 2024
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9	The Board of Educational Examiners (Board or BoEE) held a meeting on August 9,
10	2024. Chad Janzen, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Members
11	attending were Kathy Behrens, Pam Bleam, Davis Eidahl, Eric St Clair, Michael Lock
12	and Daniel Zylstra. Also in attendance was Mike Cavin, Executive Director, Beth
13	Myers, Attorney/Investigator, Diane Dennis and Lori Lavorato, Investigators, Kristi
14	Traynor, Assistant Attorney General. Tim Bower, Ryan Weldon and Miranda Brus
15	were unable to attend.
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17	Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, to approve the agenda.
18	MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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20	Daniel Zylstra, with a second by Eric St Clair to approve the consent agenda (minutes
21	for June 21, 2024). MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
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23	Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens that the Board go into closed
24	session for the purpose of discussing closed session minutes whether to initiate
25	licensee disciplinary proceedings, the decision to be rendered in a contested case,
26	confidential health information, and mental health information, pursuant to Iowa
27	Code sections 21.5(1)(a), (d), and (f). Roll call vote: Behrens – yes; Bleam – yes; Eidahl
28	– yes; Janzen – yes; St Clair – yes; Zylstra – yes; Lock – yes; MOTION CARRIED
29	UNANIMOUSLY
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31	The Board returned to open session at 12: 30 p.m.
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- 1 Michael Lock moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 24-123**,
- 2 the Board find that the evidence gathered in the investigations, including witness
- 3 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- 4 complaints, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 5 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, that in **case number 24-125**,
- 8 the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- 9 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- 10 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- matter. Roll call vote: Behrens recused; Bleam yes; Eidahl yes; Janzen yes; St
- 12 Clair yes; Zylstra yes; Lock yes; **MOTION CARRIED**

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- Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Eric St Clair, that in case number 24-113 the
- 15 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rules 25.3(1)e(1) & 25.3(6)c, and order this case set for hearing.
 - MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- 19 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 24-131**,
- 20 the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional
- 21 Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2)b and order this case set for hearing.
- 22 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- 24 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 24-130**,
- 25 the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional
- 26 Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2)b, and order this case set for hearing.
 - MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- 29 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 24-129**,
- the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional
- Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2)b, and order this case set for hearing.
- 32 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Pam Bleam moved, with a second by Davis Eidahl, that in case number 23-189, the
- 2 Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- 3 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- 4 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 5 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 7 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-141**, the
- 8 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- 9 and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(1)e(4), 25.3(6)c, and order this case set for hearing.
 - MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Michael Lock moved, with a second by Eric St Clair, that in **case number 23-220**, the
- 13 Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- 15 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 16 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Pam Bleam moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens that in **case number 23-221**, the
- 19 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(3)e, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 21 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 23-232, the
- 24 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(3)e, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 26 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 24-06**,
- 29 the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional
- 30 Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(1)e(1), and order this case set for hearing.
- 31 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 1 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Eric St Clair, that in case number 24-08, the
- 2 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(5)a(2), and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**

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- 6 Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, that in **case number 24-17**, the
- 7 Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- 8 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- 9 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 10 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- 12 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Eric St Clair, that in case number 24-18, the
- 13 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(5)a(2), and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 15 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam that in case numbers 24-24, the
- 18 Board return the complaints and investigative reports to the investigator to gather
- 19 further information, and return the cases to the Board for further consideration.
- 20 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 24-32, the
- board, find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- 24 and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(5)a(2), and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 25 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 27 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, that in **case number 24-39**,
- 28 the Board the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including
- 29 witness statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the
- 30 allegations in the complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to
- proceed with this matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 1 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Eric St Clair, that in **case number 24-42**, the
- 2 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(3)e, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**

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- 6 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 24-60, the
- 7 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2) b, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 9 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-59**, the
- Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2)b, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 14 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 16 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 24-57, the
- 17 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2)b, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 19 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 21 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-72** the
- 22 Board return the complaint and investigative report to the investigator to gather
- 23 further information, and return the case to the Board for further consideration.
- 24 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-73**, the
- 27 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(5)a(2), and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 29 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in case number 24-81,
- 32 the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional

1 Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(1)e(3) & (4), and order this case set for hearing. 2 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3 4 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 24-58, the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct 5 6 and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2)b, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 7 8 9 Eric St Clair moved with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in case number 24-47, the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct 10 11 and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(1)e(1), 25.3(6)c, 25.3(8)b and order this case set for 12 hearing. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 13 14 Michael Lock moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in case number 24-48, the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness 15 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the 16 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this 17 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 18 19 20 Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens that in case number 24-25, the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness 21 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the 22 23 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 24 25 Pam Bleam moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, that in case number 24-37, the 26 27 Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the 28 29 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 30 31 32 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 24-43, the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness 33

1 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the 2 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3 4 5 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 23-119 the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness 6 7 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the 8 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 9 10 11 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam that in case number 23-199, the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct 12 13 and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(3)b, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION** 14 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 15 Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in case number 23-210, 16 the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness 17 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the 18 19 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this 20 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 21 Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in case number 23-209 22 23 the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the 24 25 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this 26 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 27 Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in case number 24-05, the 28 29 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct 30 and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(5)a(2), and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Michael Lock moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, that in **case number 23-211**, the Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- 3 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- 4 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 5 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Fric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-20**, the
- 8 Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- 9 statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 11 matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-21**, the
- 14 Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- 16 complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 17 matter. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- 19 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-22**, the
- 20 Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness
- statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the
- complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this
- 23 matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, that in **case number 24-15**, the
- 26 Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct
- and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(2)b, and order this case set for hearing. **MOTION**
 - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Pam Bleam moved, with a second by Michael Lock, that in case number 23-224, the
- Board find that, although one or more of the allegations in the complaint may be
- 32 substantiated by the witnesses interviewed in the course of the investigation [and/or]
- the documents gathered in the course of the investigation, and the allegations may

- constitute a technical violation of the board's statute or administrative rules; the
- 2 evidence before the board indicates that the alleged violation was an isolated incident,
- 3 and adequate steps have been taken to remedy the violation and to ensure that
- 4 incidents of a similar nature do not occur in the future. The Board will not pursue
- 5 formal disciplinary action in this matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 23-129**,
- 8 the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional
- 9 Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(1)e(1), 25.3(6)b, c, u & 25.3(8)b, and order this
- 10 case set for hearing. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case numbers 23-137**
- 13 **<u>& 23-146</u>**, the Board consolidates the cases and finds probable cause to establish a
- violation of the Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rules 25.3(3)c,
- 15 25.3(6)b, c, e, m, s, t, & 25.3(8) a & b and order these cases set for hearing. **MOTION**
- 16 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 23-141**,
- 19 the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional
- 20 Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(3)c, 25.3(6) b, c, & 25.3(8)a, and order this
- 21 case set for hearing. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in **case number 23-142**,
- 24 the Board find probable cause to establish a violation of the Code of Professional
- 25 Conduct and Ethics, 282 IAC rule 25.3(3)c, 25.3(6)b, c, s, & 25.3(8)a & b, and order
- this case set for hearing. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 28 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that the Board accept the
- respondent's waiver of hearing and voluntary surrender in case number 21-136 and
- issue an order permanently revoking the license with no possibility of reinstatement.
- 31 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case number 24-33**, the
- 2 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order
- 3 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION**
- 4 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 6 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case numbers 23-20** the
- 7 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order
- 8 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION**
- 9 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 11 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in **case numbers 23-37**, the
- Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order
- incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION**
- 14 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Eric St Clair, that in case number 22-195,
- the Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order
- incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. Roll call vote:
- 19 Behrens yes; Bleam yes; Eidahl yes; Janzen yes; St Clair yes; Zylstra –
- 20 recused; Lock yes; **MOTION CARRIED**

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- Davis Eidahl moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra that in **case number 23-92**, the
- 23 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an order
- 24 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION**
- 25 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 27 Pam Bleam moved, with a second by Michael Lock, that in **case number 23-127**, the
- 28 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order
- 29 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION**
- 30 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Pam Bleam moved, with a second by Eric St Clair, that in **case number 24-74**, the
- 33 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order

1 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 2 3 4 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 22-119, the Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order 5 6 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION** 7 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 8 9 Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, that in case number 23-47, the 10 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. MOTION 11 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 12 13 14 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 24-111, the 15 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order 16 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. MOTION **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 17 18 19 Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Michael Lock, that in case number 23-104, 20 the Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION** 21 22 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 23 Pam Bleam moved, with a second by Davis Eidahl, that in case number 23-42 the 24 25 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order 26 incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 27 28 29 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Michael Lock, that in case number 24-04 the 30 Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. **MOTION** 31 32 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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2	Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that in case number 23-02, the
3	Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order
4	incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. MOTION
5	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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7	Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Davis Eidahl, that in case number 23-76 the
8	Board accept the agreement submitted by the parties, and issue an Order
9	incorporating the agreement and imposing the agreed upon sanction. MOTION
10	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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12	Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that the Board not initiate review
13	of the proposed decision in case number 23-162 and allow the proposed decision to
14	become the default decision of the Board. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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16	Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Pam Bleam, that the Board not initiate review
17	of the proposed decision in case number 23-184 and allow the proposed decision to
18	become the default decision consistent with 282 IAC rule 11.23. MOTION CARRIED
19	UNANIMOUSLY
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21	Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, to accept the signed consents
22	to waive the deadline in case numbers 24-71, 24-69, 24-75, 24-76, and 24-77 , and
23	issue orders extending the deadline. Roll call vote: Behrens – yes; Bleam – yes but
24	recused on case no. 24-69; Eidahl – yes; Janzen – yes; St Clair – yes; Zylstra –
25	recused; Lock – yes; MOTION CARRIED
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27	Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, to extend the 180-day
28	deadline for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-45 based upon the
29	seriousness of the accused violation is of such a magnitude, additional time is
30	required to complete a comprehensive investigation and conclude the contested case
31	process. Justice would not be served by dismissing a pending complaint concerning
32	alleged ethical wrongdoing of an educator given the need to maintain safe learning
33	environments for Iowa students. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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2	Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, to extend the 180-day
3	deadline for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-47 based upon the need
4	to schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. Retaining this
5	pending licensing matter ensures that any potential threats or risks to students are
6	thoroughly evaluated while also guaranteeing the educator has the opportunity to
7	dispute the alleged ethical wrongdoing. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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9	Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens to extend the 180-day deadline
10	for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-57 based upon the need to
11	schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process and respondent did not
12	file an objection to the extension even though given an opportunity to object. MOTION
13	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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15	Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens to extend the 180-day deadline
16	for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-58 based upon the need to
17	schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. The Respondent did
18	not file an objection to the extension even though given an opportunity to object.
19	MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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21	Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens to extend the 180-day deadline
22	for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-59 based upon the need to
23	schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. Dismissal of the case
24	would undermine public trust in educational licenses and would result in disparate
25	treatment of similar ethical violations. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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27	Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra to extend the 180-day deadline
28	for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-60 based upon the need to
29	schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. Allowing more time for
30	resolution of the complaint assures due process for the Respondent. MOTION
31	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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- 1 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, to extend the 180-day
- deadline for issuance of the final decision in **case number 24-72** based upon
- 3 additional investigative information was requested by the Board to make a probable
- 4 cause determination. Additional time is required to complete a comprehensive
- 5 investigation and conclude the contested case process. Additionally, the Respondent
- 6 did not file an objection to the extension even though given an opportunity to object.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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- 9 Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra to extend the 180-day deadline
- for issuance of the final decision in **case number 24-73** based upon the need to
- schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. Additionally, the
- Respondent did not file an objection to the extension even though given an
- opportunity to object. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, to extend the 180-day
- deadline for issuance of the final decision in **case number 24-78** based upon the
- amount of time needed to complete the investigation and conclude the contested case
- 18 process and respondent does not object to the extension. **MOTION CARRIED**

19 **UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, to extend the 180-day
- deadline for issuance of the final decision in **case number 24-79** based upon the
- 23 amount of time needed to complete the investigation and conclude the contested case
- process. Additionally, the Respondent does not object to the extension. **MOTION**

25 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 27 Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens to extend the 180-day deadline
- for issuance of the final decision in **case number 24-80** based upon the amount of
- 29 time needed to complete the investigation and conclude the contested case process.
- 30 Additionally, the Respondent did not file an objection to the extension even though
- given an opportunity to object. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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     Kristi Traynor recused during the closed session discussion of the following 180-day
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     cases:
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     Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens to extend the 180-day deadline
     for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-46 based upon the need to hold
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     the hearing and conclude the contested case process. Additionally, the Respondent
     does not object to the extension. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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     Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, to extend the 180-day
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     deadline for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-49 based upon the need
     to schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. The Respondent
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     does not object to the extension and retaining this pending licensing matter reinforces
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     the significance of due process for both the Complainant and the Respondent within
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     the licensing disciplinary system. Roll call vote: Behrens – yes; Bleam – yes; Eidahl –
     yes; Janzen – recused; St Clair – yes; Zylstra – yes; Lock – yes; MOTION CARRIED
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     Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, to extend the 180-day
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     deadline for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-50 based upon the need
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     to schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. The Respondent
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     does not object to the extension and retaining this pending licensing matter reinforces
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     the significance of due process for both the complainant and the respondent within
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     the licensing disciplinary system. Roll call vote: Behrens - yes; Bleam - yes; Eidahl -
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    yes; Janzen – recused; St Clair – yes; Zylstra – yes; Lock – yes; MOTION CARRIED
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     Kathy Behrens moved, with a second by Daniel Zylstra, to extend the 180-day
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     deadline for issuance of the final decision in case number 24-51 based upon
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     the need to schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. The
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     Respondent did not file an objection to the extension even though given an
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     opportunity to object and retaining this pending licensing matter reinforces the
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     significance of due process for both the complainant and the respondent within the
     licensing disciplinary system. Roll call vote: Behrens – yes; Bleam – yes; Eidahl – yes;
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     Janzen – recused; St Clair – yes; Zylstra – yes; Lock – yes; MOTION CARRIED
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- Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, to extend the 180-day
- deadline for issuance of the final decision in **case number 24-66** based upon the need
- 3 to schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. The Respondent did
- 4 not file an objection to the extension even though given an opportunity to object and
- 5 dismissal of the case would undermine public trust in educational licenses and would
- 6 result in disparate treatment of similar ethical violations. **MOTION CARRIED**

7 UNANIMOUSLY

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- 9 Daniel Zylstra moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, to extend the 180-day
- deadline for issuance of the final decision in **case number 24-67** based upon
- the need to schedule the hearing and conclude the contested case process. The
- 12 Respondent did not file an objection to the extension even though given an
- opportunity to object. Justice would not be served by dismissing a pending complaint
- 14 concerning alleged ethical wrongdoing of an educator given the need to maintain safe
- 15 learning environments for Iowa students. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, to approve the closed session
- minutes for June 21, 2024. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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- 20 Request for Reinstatement: Case no. 22-111 In the matter of Hallie Eller. Ms. Eller
- 21 was alleged to have engaged in inappropriate communication with students after
- 22 consuming alcohol in light of the professional boundaries required of the
- 23 Respondent. She received a sanction of: a written reprimand, a deferred suspension
- 24 for six months, completion of a 15-hour ethics course, completion a mental health
- evaluation and completion of a substance abuse evaluation. The deferred suspension
- period began September 8, 2023. Ms. Eller applied for reinstatement on July 1, 2024,
- 27 has met the timeline of the suspension and fulfilled the requirements of the
- disciplinary order. Ms. Eller was not present before the board. Daniel Zylstra moved,
- with a second by Pam Bleam, that the board approve reinstatement of the license in
- case number 22-111 because the need for the suspension no longer exists and it is in
- the public interest to reinstate the license. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Communication from the Public:

1 None 2 3 Board Member Reports: 4 Chad Janzen thanked the BoEE staff for the work done to prepare today's agenda and 5 Kathy Behrens stated changes to agenda format and committees appear to increase 6 efficiency. 7 8 Executive Director's Report 9 Legislative Report: 10 11 The EO10 Review has been submitted and the first public comment period is approaching. All rules are available for review on the Iowa Department of Education 12 13 EO10 tab. 14 Agency Update 15 The Education Program Consultant for the BoEE, Josh Moser, will begin working on 16 17 August 19th. A second interview will be conducted August 12th for one of the new investigator positions. The other position was re-opened to gather new applicants. 18 19 The Investigators have been working hard to clear out our backlog of cases. This 20 August was a record month for completing investigations. The next few months have 21 been plotted out and they look a little more manageable than this month. 22 23 Financial Report Financials have been included and we are behind about 14% for FY 24. 24 25 26 License Report 27 Renewals are about 3 ½ weeks out. May was a good month and the highest of the year with over 3,300 applications. We issued 583 conditional licenses since May 2024 28 29 and are down from 649 at this same time in 2023. 30 31 Rules: 32 Eric St. Clair moved, with a second by Kathy Behrens, to adopt the amendment to IAD

282 Chapter 22- Authorizations. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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1 The Red Tape Review was a discussion item with no action taken.

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- 3 <u>Petition for Waiver</u>
- 4 NONE

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- 6 Reports
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- 9 There being no further business, Eric St Clair moved, with a second by Kathy
- Behrens, to adjourn the meeting at 1:36 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**