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February 20, 2026

Honorable Lourdes Leon Guerrero
Governor of Guam
Executive Chambers
PO Box 2950
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Honorable Frank F. Blas Jr., Speaker
I Mina'trentai Ocho na Lehislaturan Guahan
38th Guam Legislature
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners Regular Board Meeting for February 20, 2026

Dear Governor Leon Guerrero and Speaker Blas,

As required by 5 GCA § 8113.1, attached please find electronic copies of the agenda, approved minutes, and other attachments.

Should you have any questions, please call us at (671) 735-7404/7-12.

Respectfully,


Kaysie A. Lee
Program Coordinator I

Cc: Jean Taitano, Governor's Legal Office

Attachments:

- February 20, 2026 Meeting Agenda.
- February 20, 2026 Board Meeting Attendance.
- December 18, 2025 and January 16, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes.
- February 13, 2026, 2026 (5 Day Advertisement in Guam Public Notice Portal & Guam PDN).
- February 18, 2026 (48 Hour Advertisement in Guam Public Notice Portal & Guam PDN).



Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners

Department of Public Health and Social Services
Health Professional Licensing Office Suite 213
194 Hernan Cortez Ave. Terlaje Professional Building, Hagatna, Guam 96910-5052

Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners – Regular Board Meeting

Friday, February 20, 2026 at 12:00 PM

194 Hernan Cortez Ave., Terlaje Professional Building Suite 209
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85992882958?pwd=bHdxwqpoEa5iLSvGI0yMsQCzxLrHgC.1>

Meeting ID: 859 9288 2958

Passcode: 431816

AGENDA

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** _____
 - A. Roll Call
 - B. Proof of Publications
 - C. Election of Board Officers
- II. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- IV. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
- V. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
- VI. **COMPLAINTS**

A. GBAHE-CO-22-03	MFT	Received 02/21/22	M. Balajadia
B. GBAHE-CO-23-02	Veterinarian	Received 12/28/23	On-Island Consultant
C. GBAHE-CO-23-03	Veterinarian	Received 12/28/23	On-Island Consultant
D. GBAHE-CO-24-03	SLP	Received 08/06/24	N. Cepeda
E. GBAHE-CO-25-09	LPC	Received 04/29/25	M. Balajadia
- VII. **OLD BUSINESS**
- VIII. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **Initial/New Applications**
 - i. **Veterinary Medicine**
 - a. Brennecke, Lara (V. Harper)
 - b. Ingram, Mara E. (V. Harper)
 - ii. **Physical Therapist**
 - a. Black, Joel G. (J. Duenas)
 - b. Buce, Julia N. (J. Duenas)
 - c. Redona, Eric S. (J. Duenas)
 - iii. **Registered Respiratory Therapist**
 - a. Lucas, Sheri Lyn J. (G. Cruz)
 - iv. **Occupational Therapist**
 - a. Rael, Yolanda Y. (R. Taitingfong)
 - b. Tate, JoAnn E. (R. Taitingfong)
 - v. **Audiologist**
 - a. Cleary, Leela Ann P. (D. Triolo)
 - b. Gower, Christine E. (D. Triolo)
- IX. **NEXT BOARD MEETING**
 - A. Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting: **Friday, March 13, 2026, at 12:00 PM.**
- X. **ADJOURNMENT:** _____

Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners

Board Meeting Attendance Sheet

Health Professional Licensing Office Suite 209
194 Hernan Cortez Ave. Terlaje Professional Building, Hagatna, Guam 96910-5052

ATTENDANCE SHEET

Date of Meeting: Regular Meeting Special Meeting

Meeting Call to Order: Time of Adjournment: Quorum No Quorum

BOARD MEMBER	POSITION	SIGNATURE
Dr. Mamic Balajadia	<i>Chairperson</i> Clinical Psychologist Member	<i>M Balajadia</i>
Vincent Pereda	<i>Vice Chairperson</i> LMHC Member	ABSENT
Nadine Cepeda	<i>Secretary</i> LPC/MFT/LMHC Member	<i>Nadine Cepeda</i>
Rosalind Taitingfong	<i>Treasurer</i> Occupational Therapist Member	<i>Rosalind Taitingfong</i>
Dr. Richard Chong	Acupuncturist Member	<i>Dr. Richard Chong</i>
VACANT	Audiologist Member	VACANT
Dr. Gregory Miller	Chiropractic Member	ABSENT
Catherine San Nicolas	Clinical Dietitian/Nutritionist Member	<i>virtually present</i>
Dr. Julianne Duenas	Physical Therapist Member	<i>virtually present</i>
Gregory Cruz	Respiratory Therapist Member	<i>Gregory Cruz</i>
VACANT	Speech Language Pathologist Member	VACANT
Dr. Velma Harper	Veterinarian Member	ABSENT

Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners – Regular Board Meeting

Friday, December 12, 2025 at 12:00 PM

194 Hernan Cortez Ave., Terlaje Professional Building Suite 209

Hagatna, Guam 96910

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87913635322?pwd=jGlbbfWPTA5h0aZch1laBVqrjB5Kaz.1>

Meeting ID: 879 1363 5322

Passcode: 849228

MINUTES

Item	Discussion	Responsible Party	Reporting Timeframe	Status
I Call to Order Proof of Publication Roll Call	Meeting Chaired by Dr. Balajadia	Chair	1219	Call to Order
	12/04/2025 and 12/10/2025 GuamPDN	Chair	1221	Confirmed
	<p>GBAHE Members</p> <p><u>Present:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Mamie Balajadia, Clinical Psychology, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vince Pereda, Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Vice-Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nadine Cepeda, LPC, LMHC, LMFT, Secretary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rosalind S. Taitingfong, Occupational Therapist, Treasurer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Richard Chong, ACOM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Velma R. Harper, Veterinarian <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Catherine San Nicolas, Clinical Dietitian <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Julianne Duenas, Physical Therapist <p><u>Virtually Present:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Gregory Miller, Chiropractic <p><u>Not in Attendance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Dennis Triolo, Audiology <input type="checkbox"/> Gregory J. Cruz, Respiratory Therapist 	Chair	1221	Quorum Established
II Adoption of Agenda	<i>Motion to Adopt the Agenda: N. Cepeda; 2nd: C. San Nicolas.</i>	GBAHE	1222	Unanimously Adopted Agenda
III Approval of Minutes	<p>Draft Minutes Dated: 11/07/25</p> <p>C. San Nicolas noted that the meeting minutes continued to identify her attendance as virtual when she was physically present. The minor correction was acknowledged to amend the record to show that she was not attending online.</p> <p><i>Motion to Approve as Amended: Dr. Harper; 2nd: V. Pereda.</i></p>	GBAHE	1222	Unanimously Approved as Amended

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IV	Treasurer's Report	<p>R. Taitingfong reported financial information received from the Department of Administration, stating that for fiscal year 2026 the Board was appropriated \$55,985 and allotted \$18,452, of which \$10,000 had already been expended for contractual services including website maintenance, transcription services, and required public notices, resulting in a remaining balance of \$7,547.35, with no expenditures made for travel, office needs, supplies, or equipment, aside from a \$300 miscellaneous payment identified as annual dues. It was further reported that the Board currently has an available balance of \$45,680.85, and that for fiscal year 2025 the Board generated \$83,925 in revenue, as well as an approximate \$35,000 surplus from fiscal year 2024, although uncertainty was expressed regarding where these funds are held, who controls them, and how the Board may access them, as the funds do not appear to flow directly through the reporting process.</p> <p>B. Sablan responded by clarifying that the reported revenue exceeding \$80,000 originates from the Department of Administration's financial system and is appropriated to the Department of Public Health and Social Services before being allocated to the HPLO through a revolving account, noting that while the Board does have access to the funds, there remains a discrepancy between the revenue collected and the amount appropriated or allotted for fiscal year 2026. She explained that this discrepancy is currently under review in coordination with the budget office and the Department of Administration, including verification of ledgers to confirm whether the full amount in license fees was received, and stated that an audit of the revenue accounts has been requested due to challenges associated with transitioning to a new financial system. She further provided an update on staffing concerns, indicating that although progress had been made in prior fiscal years to secure attorney positions, budget reductions in fiscal year 2026 limited current funding capacity, and even with additional revenue, funding certain positions would require cost sharing. She explained that investigator positions must be specifically created for the boards through the appropriate classification and statutory process, as existing positions cannot be repurposed, and expressed optimism that documentation submitted to the Department of Administration by the end of the month may result in progress, while acknowledging ongoing investigative responsibilities across multiple boards and the procedural requirements involved.</p> <p>N. Cepeda raised concerns regarding the availability of funds and inquired whether the Board could obtain an inspector or investigator position, emphasizing that board members do not receive formal investigative training and that investigations should be conducted by a qualified professional capable of providing informed recommendations. She further requested clarification on the status of establishing such a position and how the reported \$83,925 in revenue could be applied toward funding an investigator role.</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia responded by stating that she was uncertain whether an investigator position currently exists but reiterated that during a recent visit to the Legislature, she raised the need for legal counsel and an investigator or inspector, emphasizing that board members should not be responsible for conducting investigations. She explained that her longstanding proposal has been for the HPLO to have shared legal</p>	R. Taitingfong	1226	Noted

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	counsel and investigative support serving all boards under its purview, noting that recent discussions at the Legislature were met with a positive response. She further stated that the reported \$83,925 in revenue would be insufficient to fund these positions independently and reiterated her recommendation that the Legislature appropriate approximately \$350,000 to support full-time legal counsel, an investigator, and an inspector for all boards, expressing her continued commitment to pursuing the procurement of these positions to address ongoing concerns.			
V	<p>Administrator's Report</p> <p>No report</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia briefly interjected to report that dietitians, clinical dietitians, and nutritionists attended a public hearing for Bill 19738 the previous day, noting that testimony was presented and that copies of the testimony were provided to board members present, with the exception of Dr. Miller, who was virtually present.</p> <p>C. San Nicolas expressed appreciation for the presence of Dr. Balajadia at the public hearing, noting that she provided testimony in support of updating licensure language to align with national organizational standards requiring a master's level education for dietitians, and conveyed gratitude for her participation and for submitting a copy of her testimony.</p>	GBAHE	1223	No Report
VI	<p>GBAHE Complaints</p> <p>A. GBAHE-CO-22-03 MFT Received 02/21/22 Needs legal assistance.</p> <p>B. GBAHE-CO-23-02 Veterinarian Received 12/28/23 Needs legal assistance.</p> <p>C. GBAHE-CO-23-03 Veterinarian Received 12/28/23 Needs an off-island consultant.</p> <p>D. GBAHE-CO-24-03 SLP Received 08/06/24 Still under investigation and pending legal assistance.</p> <p>E. GBAHE-CO-25-08 Veterinarian Received 04/28/25 Close to resolving, we will report at the next meeting.</p> <p>F. GBAHE-CO-25-09 LPC Received 04/29/25 We will report at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Dr. Balajadia</p> <p>GBAHE</p> <p>GBAHE</p> <p>N. Cepeda</p> <p>V. Harper</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia</p>	1225	<p>Ongoing, Needs Legal Assistance</p> <p>Ongoing, Needs Legal Assistance</p> <p>Ongoing, Needs Off-island Consultant</p> <p>Ongoing, Pending Legal Assistance</p> <p>Ongoing, Close to Resolving, Upcoming Report Next Meeting</p> <p>Ongoing, Upcoming Report Next Meeting</p>
VIII	<p>New Business</p> <p>A. Initial/New Applications</p> <p>i. Atteberry, Allison M. (Dietitian) (C. San Nicolas) <i>Motion to Approve: C. San Nicolas; 2nd: N. Cepeda.</i></p>	GBAHE	1227	Unanimously Approved

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	ii. Buenavides, Giann Ryu K. (PT) (R. Taitingfong) <i>Motion to Approve: C. San Nicolas; 2nd: N. Cepeda.</i>	GBAHE		Unanimously Approved
	iii. Cornman, Megan Alexis G. (OT) (R. Taitingfong) <i>Motion to Approve: C. San Nicolas; 2nd: N. Cepeda.</i>	GBAHE		Unanimously Approved
	iv. Pangelinan, Joshua Jordan (LPC Intern) (V. Pereda) <i>Motion to Approve: C. San Nicolas; 2nd: N. Cepeda.</i>	GBAHE		Unanimously Approved
	v. Dionisio, Charlene Mae S. (LPC Intern) (V. Pereda) <i>Motion to Approve: C. San Nicolas; 2nd: N. Cepeda.</i>	GBAHE		Unanimously Approved
	vi. Villanueva, Brian C. (LPC Intern) (V. Pereda) <i>Motion to Approve: C. San Nicolas; 2nd: N. Cepeda.</i>	GBAHE		Unanimously Approved
	B. Application to Sit for Exam			
	i. Reyes, Casiana L.C. – LPC Exam (LPC Intern) (V. Pereda) <i>Motion to Approve: Dr. Miller; 2nd: Dr. Harper.</i>	GBAHE		Unanimously Approved
IX	Next Board Meeting	GBAHE	1238	Set Date
X	Adjournment	GBAHE	1238	Adjourned

Minutes Drafted by: FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc.

Date Submitted: 01/21/2026

Submitted by the GBAHE Secretary:

Date:

Approved by the GBAHE with or without changes:

Date:

Certified by or Attested by the Chairperson:

Marianne Chaloyada

Date: 02/20/2026

Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners
Regular Board Meeting
Friday, January 16, 2026 at 12:00 PM
194 Hernan Cortez Ave., Terlaje Professional Building Suite 209
Hagatna, Guam 96910
Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84547096052?pwd=9i6gmpKvyR7GZpXq7OhDmQq6MoawNV.1>
Meeting ID: 845 4709 6052
Passcode: 293156

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I	Call to Order	Meeting Chaired by Dr. Balajadia	Chair	1202	Call to Order
	Proof of Publication	01/09/2026 and 01/14/2026 GuamPDN	Chair	1204	Confirmed
	Roll Call	<p>GBAHE Members <i>Present:</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Mamie Balajadia, Clinical Psychology, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vince Pereda, Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Vice-Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nadine Cepeda, LPC, LMHC, LMFT, Secretary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rosalind S. Taitingfong, Occupational Therapist, Treasurer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Richard Chong, ACOM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Dennis Triolo, Audiology <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Gregory Miller, Chiropractic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Catherine San Nicolas, Clinical Dietitian <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gregory J. Cruz, Respiratory Therapist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Velma R. Harper, Veterinarian</p>	<p>Other Attendees <i>Present at HPLO:</i> Breanna Sablan, HPLO Kaysie Lee, DPHSS/HPLO</p>	Chair	1202
II	Adoption of Agenda	<i>Motion to Adopt the Agenda; Dr. Miller; 2nd: Dr. Harper.</i>	GBAHE	1205	Unanimous Adopted Agenda
III	Approval of Minutes	Draft Minutes Dated: 12/12/2025 The meeting minutes had not yet been finalized by the vendor. Review and approval would be deferred to the next scheduled meeting.	GBAHE	1205	Tabled, No Meeting
IV	Treasurer's Report	R. Taitingfong reported that revenue had been received in October, November, and December of the fiscal year, which had not been included in the previous Treasurer's report, and confirmed that as of December 31, 2025, collections totaled \$1,800 in October, \$1,935 in November, and \$2,700 in December, for a cumulative amount of \$6,435 for fiscal year 2026. The Board further noted that contractual expenditures totaled \$7,547.35 and that the only other expenditure was a miscellaneous cost of \$6,425 related to the board cycle. The Board stated that the current available balance was \$33,101.66.	R. Taitingfong	1205	Noted

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<p>V</p> <p>Administrator's Report</p>	<p>B. Sablan reported that ongoing weekly follow-ups were being conducted regarding the vacant SLP member position, and that there had been no updates or developments reported for the vacancy at that time.</p> <p>Dr. Miller inquired whether the amendments passed on December 22 had been merged by the Compiler of Laws into the existing statute to create a single, consolidated document, noting that only the signed bill reflecting the amendments was currently available and did not represent the full law. He also asked whether there was any information or timeline regarding the preparation of a complete, unified version of the law.</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia discussed the complexity of determining whether amended laws are automatically consolidated by the Compiler of Laws, noting that the current documentation reflected only amendments to specific sections rather than a fully integrated statute. Members expressed uncertainty about the Compiler of Laws' procedures for merging amendments with existing law and agreed that having a single, consolidated document would improve clarity and accessibility. B. Sablan was asked if she could follow up with the Compiler of Laws to inquire about the process and feasibility of producing an updated, unified version of the law.</p> <p>B. Sablan confirmed her ability to research the matter and to contact the Compiler of Laws, in order to follow up on the questions raised.</p> <p>Later in the meeting, C. San Nicolas revisited the earlier question of Dr. Miller regarding the Compiler of Laws and reported that a review of the relevant section affecting the dietitian article showed that the public law passed on December 22 had already been incorporated, with the most recent update reflected on the website as of December 5, 2024. C. San Nicolas and Dr. Miller discussed that the updated law could be downloaded from the Compiler of Laws website and confirmed that requested changes to the public law were already reflected within the applicable article. It was noted, however, that while some sections indicate when updates are made, the specific article reviewed did not reflect a recent update and instead listed the last change as occurring in 2015. Dr. Miller clarified navigation within the Compiler of Laws website, explaining that users must access the appropriate title and article to verify updates, and noted that individuals seeking licensure or information on scope of practice would need to reference the relevant article within the GCA portion to confirm the most current provisions.</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia noted that the same information was also available on the HPLO website under GBAHE. Dr. Miller acknowledged a misunderstanding regarding the status of the Compiler of Laws and confirmed that the consolidation process had already been completed, with paper copies having been properly notified. The Board concluded that the matter had been resolved and expressed clarity and satisfaction regarding the availability and completion of the updated law.</p>	<p>GBAHE</p>	<p>1207</p>	<p>Noted</p>

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VI GBAHE Complaints	<p>A. GBAHE-CO-22-03 MFT Received 02/21/22 Dr. Balajadia informed that a request has been sent to the Office of the Attorney General seeking legal guidance and review.</p>	Dr. Balajadia	1211	Ongoing, Seeking Leg Guidance at Review
	<p>B. GBAHE-CO-23-02 Veterinarian Received 12/28/23 Dr. Balajadia informed that a request has been sent to the Office of the Attorney General seeking legal guidance and review.</p>	GBAHE		Ongoing, Seeking Leg Guidance at Review
	<p>C. GBAHE-CO-23-03 Veterinarian Received 12/28/23 Dr. Balajadia informed that the complaint had been sent to Dr. Turner, an on-island consult, for her review and investigation, and that a response from her had not yet been received but was expected to be forthcoming.</p>	GBAHE		Ongoing, Pending Investigatic
	<p>D. GBAHE-CO-24-03 SLP Received 08/06/24 N. Cepeda reported that the matter is currently under review at the AG's office, and that once legal guidance is received, the recommendations would be brought back to the Board for consideration to assess their validity before any further action is taken.</p> <p>Dr. Harper noted that this situation underscores the importance of holding executive sessions so that all Board members can be included in discussions. Dr. Miller questioned whether additional media notifications would be required, expressing concern about the difficulty of meeting such requirements. Dr. Harper responded that, in their opinion, these requirements must be addressed, emphasizing that case details and developments cannot be discussed during a regular public session, and that all Board members should justifiably be included in these discussions.</p> <p>B. Sablan informed the Board that a similar request regarding executive sessions had been previously addressed by the Attorney General, who explained that executive sessions may only be held to discuss complaints if there is threatened litigation, ongoing litigation, or an active hearing concerning the complainant. She emphasized that the law governing executive sessions is very specific, allowing such sessions only for legal matters or personnel issues, and that since the Board does not currently fund any personnel, this exception does not apply. While there is a recognized need to provide more information to Board members, all investigations must remain confidential, and investigators summarize findings to keep members informed without breaching confidentiality. The guidance further clarified that unless the matter involves personnel or legal proceedings, the Board cannot convene an executive session. It was noted that any expansion of executive session authority would require updating Board rules and coordinating with the legislature to amend.</p> <p>The Board acknowledged the clarification that, during regular sessions, they may discuss the details of investigations and findings for the benefit of all members, provided that no names are mentioned. Members expressed appreciation for this guidance, noting that it allows for more</p>	N. Cepeda		Ongoing, N Updates

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	<p>comprehensive discussion than they had previously understood.</p> <p>Dr. Duenas, new to the board, inquired that the specifics of the complaint are not currently known to her. N. Cepeda clarified that they will receive general information about the complaint, and that any recommendations requiring action will be brought forward in accordance with the Attorney General’s advice, allowing for informed discussion and decision-making.</p> <p>B. Sablan provided Dr. Duenas with a brief background regarding the complaint submitted regarding the profession of a speech-language pathologist, noting that it was received on August 6, 2024. It was explained that the assigned investigator is N. Cepeda and Assistant Attorney General Tillman, was assigned to review the case, but she has since departed the office, and the case is now being handled by a newly assigned attorney. At this time, there are no updates available, but the Board will be provided with general information about the complaint, and once the investigators have completed their review, their findings and any recommendations will be presented to the Board in this setting.</p>			
	<p>E. GBAHE-CO-25-08 Veterinarian Received 04/28/25 Dr. Harper reported that the veterinarian had provided care consistent with the appropriate standard of practice, and that the kitten’s death was due to its severe illness rather than any deficiency in care. After reviewing the investigation, Dr. Harper concluded that the veterinarian had acted professionally and appropriately and recommended that no further action be taken regarding the complaint. <i>Motion to Dismiss; N. Cepeda; 2nd: V. Pereda.</i></p>	Dr. Harper		Unanimous Dismissed
	<p>F. GBAHE-CO-25-09 LPC Received 04/29/25 Dr. Balajadia stated the investigation is ongoing and somewhat complex, and that discussion and updates regarding it will be addressed at the next meeting.</p>	Dr. Balajadia		Ongoing. Updates Addressed Next Board Meeting
VII	<p>New Business</p> <p>A. Old Business</p> <p>i. Clinical Supervision Qualifications (P.L. 37-142 § 0408(d)(1)): The Board was informed by Dr. Balajadia about a case involving the denial of a person’s clinical hours, with a subsequent letter submitted on October 29 requesting reconsideration. Dr. Balajadia noted concerns regarding the situation, explaining that Joleen Baza, a licensed professional counselor and director of Blue Ocean Behavioral Health, had submitted the letter on behalf of Dr. Millie Nice, whose internship hours had been denied because the supervision did not comply with the Board’s rules and regulations. Dr. Balajadia brought the matter to the Board’s attention in their capacity as the reviewer.</p> <p>N. Cepeda reported that the individual’s initial supervisor did not meet the legal qualifications, and a subsequent supervisor, although meeting the qualifications, had a conflict of interest,</p>	GBAHE	1220	Unanimous Disapprove Reconsideration of Clinical Supervision Hours

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	<p>resulting in the denial of those supervision hours. A new supervisor was later presented who met the required qualifications, and the Board agreed that hours completed under this supervisor from that point forward would be accepted. However, all prior hours were previously voted on and not approved, and the Board clarified that this determination applies to the clinical hours being completed toward licensure.</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia mentioned that there are concerns regarding the opinion of the former supervisor, noting a potential conflict of interest as the supervisor's father is the director of Blue Ocean. N. Cepeda clarified that the supervisor in question holds a Ph.D. in Communication, not in a clinical or therapy-related field, and emphasized the importance of accurately representing this distinction. The Board agreed that it is ethically necessary to clarify that the supervisor's doctorate is in Communication, as misrepresentation could be misleading given that the individual is overseeing hours for someone pursuing clinical licensure as a therapist.</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia explained that while the supervisor holds a doctorate in Communication, she is not a clinical practitioner, and the situation is complicated by a potential conflict of interest. The supervisor, who is co-director of an agency, is approving clinical hours for Dr. Nice, who serves as director of the same agency, creating a situation that Dr. Balajadia described as ethically concerning and potentially in violation of professional guidelines. Despite references in the letter to the APA Code of Ethics, Dr. Balajadia emphasized that individuals in such positions should not have been involved in approving hours due to the conflict. The Board was informed that Dr. Nice is requesting reconsideration of the previously denied hours, but Dr. Balajadia highlighted the ethical and procedural issues underlying this request.</p> <p>N. Cepeda expressed strong concerns regarding the repeated requests for reconsideration of the denied hours, stating that it is unprofessional to persistently ask the same question in hopes of receiving a different answer. She emphasized that the Board's rules and regulations are clear and cannot be changed without legislative action, and that the Board is not in a position to disregard the law to grant such requests. N. Cepeda noted that all professionals, including Board members, are expected to follow established rules and licensure requirements, and that repeatedly seeking an exception is both unethical and inappropriate.</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia emphasized that the Board's laws and regulations align with national standards, which clearly indicate that the situation under discussion does not meet proper professional guidelines. She highlighted the ethical concern of a co-director approving the clinical hours of the director within the same organization, noting that such an arrangement is inconsistent with both local and national standards.</p> <p>Dr. Harper clarified that the matter under discussion is specifically the request for acceptance of the clinical hours, and that there is no justification to approve them. It was emphasized that the</p>			

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	<p>Board's previous decision remains unchanged, and that repeated requests for reconsideration will not alter the outcome. Any additional concerns raised are recognized as separate issues but do not affect the determination regarding the original request.</p> <p>The Board moved to consider a motion to maintain its prior decision to disapprove the clinical hours in question. Members discussed the issue of professional titles, noting that while the individual holds a doctorate in Communication, the title must clearly indicate the field of expertise to avoid misleading the public, and that clinical qualifications do not apply to a doctorate in Communication. It was further explained that during a previous meeting, the individual presented herself as a doctor without specifying her field, and had referenced certifications in clinical therapies, which do not align with her educational background, resulting in a complaint against a Board member for raising the issue. The Board clarified that the denial of hours is based on law and regulations requiring specific qualifications, not personal discretion, and emphasized the importance of maintaining consistent standards. It was noted that the individual appears determined to repeatedly challenge the Board's decision, which was described as bordering on harassment, and the Board reaffirmed that the prior decision stands. Members also confirmed that internships must have preapproval, and any hours completed without meeting these requirements cannot be accepted.</p> <p>The Board discussed that the initial supervisor was rejected because they did not meet the legal qualifications regarding the required number of years licensed to supervise prior to the hours being completed. It was explained that the applicant had attempted to set up multiple supervisors across different internship applications, some of whom did not meet the educational or licensing requirements as clearly outlined in law, and that this created integrity concerns regarding who was actually supervising the clinical hours. The Board emphasized that it had reviewed each situation thoroughly, identified mistakes where necessary, and corrected them, but the overarching issue remained that switching supervisors or attempting to bypass requirements raised ethical concerns, particularly regarding integrity, which is highlighted as a core APA ethical standard. The discussion underscored that the Board's responsibility is to uphold professional and legal standards, ensure proper supervision, and maintain the integrity of the licensure process, and that despite repeated requests from the applicant, the Board must adhere to its prior decisions.</p> <p>Dr. Harper raised a general concern regarding complaints brought to the Board, questioning why the involvement of a professional representative from the same field is often viewed as a conflict of interest. She emphasized that Board members are performing their duties according to the law, and that decisions must be made objectively without personal bias. While she acknowledged the value of having a third-party review, she expressed concern that requiring it in every instance undermines the professional judgment and ethical responsibility of Board</p>			

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	<p>members to make decisions based on established laws and regulations.</p> <p>N. Cepeda explained that the concern arose because the individual involved submitted a letter opposing any actions by Dr. Balajadia and herself due to an existing complaint. She clarified that the Board has been attempting to address the concern fairly, involving collaboration with V. Pereda to review the matter, and emphasized that the process has been managed professionally and cooperatively.</p> <p>Dr. Harper emphasized that board members should not allow themselves to be intimidated, pressured, or made to feel defensive when performing their duties. She stressed that the members are ethical professionals selected to serve on the Board, and they must carry out their responsibilities confidently and without yielding to external pressures, as succumbing could compromise the Board's ability to function effectively.</p> <p>N. Cepeda reinforced Dr. Harper's point by stating that she is firmly standing by her position because she presented it to the board and the matter has been repeatedly delayed. She emphasized that the Board's responsibility is to follow the law as written, and she encouraged everyone to read and understand the law themselves if they feel unsure, underscoring personal accountability and adherence to legal standards.</p> <p>Dr. Harper, emphasized that the core point of the letter is threefold, focusing especially on ethical behavior. She explained that ethics includes not just how professionals act, but also how they use their time and practice within the scope of their profession. Using her example, a veterinarian cannot practice chiropractic on patients—this illustrates that professional boundaries must be respected.</p> <p>She stressed that the public cannot judge the professional scope of practice for any profession, which is why the Board's role is crucial. Board members are obligated to ensure a minimum standard of care, monitor ethical behavior, and intervene proactively to prevent issues before complaints arise. Ethics, therefore, serves as a safeguard for both professional integrity and public protection.</p> <p>B. Sablan clarified that the request in question pertains to an appeal regarding the supervision hours or the qualifications of the supervisor for Dr. MillieNice, distinguishing it from a request for reconsideration. Questions were raised about whether there is a formal appeal process, with it noted that such a process exists, though details were not immediately clear.</p> <p>Dr. Balajadia clarified that the correspondence regarding the denial of clinical supervision hours for Dr. MillieNice, addressed to the board and the board administrator, is a request for clarification and not a formal appeal.</p>			

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	<p>It was discussed that the board could respond to the request for reconsideration by reiterating the previous decision and citing the applicable law, attaching the original letter to avoid rewriting it. The members agreed that any response should reference the relevant sections of law and regulations, clearly affirming that the board's decision stands firm and that the rules, not personal opinion, govern the outcome. It was concluded that the request from J. Baza for reconsideration of clinical supervision hours is therefore denied, and a motion was requested to formalize this decision.</p> <p><i>Motion to Disapprove Reconsideration of Clinical Supervision Hours: Dr. Harper; 2nd: Dr. Triolo.</i></p>			
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Date Submitted: 01/26/2026

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Coconut on the Road: Coconut love?

By S. Douglas Turner
For Pacific Daily News

It is that time of the year again when we tell our special someone how much we love them in the form of chocolates, flowers, cards, candies, and reservations at your favorite restaurant.

It is a time when we pause and make an extra effort to reconnect with the person we share our lives with.

Long before Elizabeth Barrett Browning's famous sonnet opener of "How Do I Love Thee? Let me count the ways," there lay a history that many forgot, and for good reason. Journey with me; learn a bit, laugh a little, and love a lot!

Dark origins

Valentine's Day began in ancient Rome as a pagan ritual known as Lupercalia. Every February 15th, priests would sacrifice animals, hoping to excite fertility in women. Not a romantic opener, I know... but it gets worse.

The flesh from these unfortunate animals were used to whip the women into said fertility. Where then bachelors would select the names of their sweethearts from an urn—hopefully one not filled with ashes.

Thankfully, we humans are short toothed in memory of such archaic practices and have since founded organizations to protect our furry, domesticated friends.

The Catholic church has martyred no less than three Saint Valentines.

The popular theory holds that around 260 A.D. when Emperor Marcus Aurelius Claudius Gothicus, also known as Claudius II, outlawed marriage in the hopes of inspiring men to join the army, Saint Valentine of Terni continued his matrimonial practices

despite the unorthodox law.

Before his beheading, he signed his farewell, "From Your Valentine."

Hearts, candies, flowers, cards

Commercial, ahem, rather, formal Valentine's Day messages emerged around the 1500s, followed by specially printed cards in the 1700s.

The practice arrived in the United States in the mid-1800s. In 1835, over 60,000 Valentine's Day cards were mailed in the U.K. that year, despite the [then] extremely high cost of postage.

In 1916, Hallmark's cards made their way into our lives here in the good ole U.S. of A.

Oh, the things we do for love. Now, let's get to the not-so-heart of the matter.

Money, money, money

Each year, approximately \$1 billion is spent on cards alone in the United States, with another \$2.6 billion on flowers.

It is estimated that in 2026, Valentine's Day sales are expected to total over \$29 billion. Here's the data.

In 2025, the population of the U.S. was 347,275,250. That equates to around \$90 spent for every citizen in the U.S. An estimated 18.24% of the 347+ million are under the age of 15. Another 1.92% are over the age of 85.

Given that both age groups are not as likely to be in the dating pool, we will add an additional, say, 20% to our original calculation of \$90, totaling an average of \$108 per per-

son.

If half of the remaining populace, and that is a big if, are in a relationship, that equates to \$216 per couple to say "I love you!"

Is it overrated?

I'm generally considered the romantic type. I like picking fresh, beautiful flowers and surprising the love of my life on a Tuesday, rather than a holiday. I like popping into her office when she least expects it.

I enjoy sneaking her off to lunch when her schedule permits. I send random love notes (texts) when she's asleep and I am working in some faraway location.

I grew up watching movies like Casablanca and To Catch a Thief from the 1940s and 50s; films that still capture hearts decades later. Am I a hopeless romantic? The jury is still deliberating.

Personally, I have not celebrated Valentine's Day in several years. I think there are 364 other days in which to perfectly celebrate love for my [now] fiancé, Sarita.

When we were first dating, I told her I was going to get her the same gift for Valentine's that I got her the year prior. A perplexed look fell upon her face as she said, "You didn't get me anything last year. In fact, we were not even dating then." My humored wit impresses me at times.

Lupercalia 2.0

I suggest we start a renewed movement to return to our midst the beloved Lupercalia celebrations on the 15th. Any takers?

Consider the bene-

fits, my friends. Shorter restaurant wait times and without reservations, chocolates and flowers are typically on sale (applause from my thrifty readers), and traffic and parking are certainly much improved. It potentially signifies a uniqueness to your significant other, a flair for adventure, especially when trying to convey how much you love someone.

I'd say we skip the sacrificial animals, less those milkfish your pari caught this morning or the ribs your aunty bought on base, Andersen or NBG. Wink-wink.

Perhaps, if you have a relative, a mother, grandmother, daughter, or even a son or grandfather, invite them out for Lupercalia Day or Valentine's Day +1 celebrations. They just might appreciate the sentiment more than you realize. Let someone outside of your romantic circle feel love and attention while you're still able to do so. One day, you will never get the chance to ask again.

Galentine's Day?

If you don't have a date, crack open a coconut, perhaps add an adult mixer, and watch the sunset without paying a bill. You can still tip your hardworking bartender or waiter, though.

Treat yourself to a nice dinner, buy that box of chocolates, then eat the entire box!

Apparently, Galentine's Day is a thing, so don't be afraid to love yourself.

A not-so-hopeless romantic

As we (Sarita and I) are planning a romantic and traditional wedding, in great part and mostly at my request, it seems fair to say that I am still a fan of celebrating love on the 14th and every day you're

with the one you love.

If you haven't found that special someone yet, stop looking and love will assuredly find you when you least expect it.

Until next time, this is Coconut Love +1 (Sarita) sending all the lovebirds on Guam, Saipan and all the coconut isles in the CNMI, a Happy Valentine's (and Lupercalia) Day. Laissez les bon temps rouler.

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a. Black, Joel G. (J. Duenas)

b. Buce, Julia N. (J. Duenas)

c. Redona, Eric S. (J. Duenas)

iii. Registered Respiratory Therapist

a. Lucas, Sneri Lyn J. (G. Cruz)

iv. Occupational Therapist

a. Rael, Yolanda Y. (R. Taitingfong)

b. Tate, JoAnn E. (R. Taitingfong)

v. Audiologist

a. Cleary, Leela Ann P. (D. Triolo)

b. Gower, Christine E. (D. Triolo)

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A. Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting: Friday, March 13, 2026, at 12:00 PM.

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Marley

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'Soul to soul'

Julian Marley told the Pacific Daily News after the concert that he could feel a "soul to soul" connection with the crowd.

The setup of the stage was more intimate than others, removing the usual distance or barrier placed between the crowd and the edge of the stage.

"It was a good vibe for our first time in Guam, really lively," Marley said. "We enjoyed [the] spiritual, human connection. We don't even have to try hard because the music has those ingredients that con-



nect to people."

Julian Marley's energy matched the love and joy he brought the crowd by leaping and dancing around the stage between lyrics and reaching out to high-five or fist bump everyone in the front row.

Valentine's Day proposal on stage

The stage for a memorable night was set by one of the opening bands, The Resistance.

Lead singer Cyle Leon Guerrero proposed to his girlfriend onstage during his band's performance.

Leon Guerrero told the PDN that it "only made sense" to pop the question



Julian Marley listens to the crowd sing the lyrics to *Cooling In Jamaica* at The Lime Event Venue during his Guam concert on Feb. 14, 2026.

that night, as it was both Valentine's Day and their one-year anniversary.

He added that it was an easy decision after knowing his partner for 20 years,

having met when they were both 12 years old.

Leon Guerrero also said he realized he wanted to propose in December 2025, when his now fiancée stood

URIAH AGUON/PACIFIC DAILY NEWS
Grammy-winning reggae artist Julian Marley performs *Are You The One, Stir It Up*, and other songs at his Guam concert on Feb. 14, 2026.

by his side when he was hospitalized.

"When you're at your death bed, you realize who's there for you, and you want to stick with someone who is there when you're at your lowest," he said.

Chesa Rosa Mañosa, from Dededo, and Tumon resident Maya Berry, 23, said the night of love, unity, and reggae was "not just about loving your partner but about loving your neighbor and loving your community."

"The overall experience was very refreshing. The music was amazing, and the crowd was having a lot of fun," Berry said. "It was emotional when he was singing his last song, *One Love*. The crowd felt it, and it was very moving experience."

Mañosa said the vibes and the music made it "such a good experience" and that she could feel the love in the crowd. She enjoyed Marley's messages of love and faith, which he shared between songs.

"God has such a big heart, we should be just like him. I also have a Valentine's Day quote: *para háfa yu' buñelos dāgu, malago' yu' ni hágu*," she said.

Sánta Rita-Sumai resident Onika Donawa, 38, originally from Trinidad and Tobago, attended the concert with her husband of 20 years.

She said it was "priceless," and she "wouldn't have spent Valentine's Day any other way."

"It was fantastic, amazing, energetic, vibrant, and reminds me of home. It's a great feeling, and we love to get a taste of home...from the Caribbean," Donawa said.

Reach reporter Uriah Aguon at uaguon@guampdn.com.

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III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

V. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

VI. COMPLAINTS

A. GBAHE-CO-22-03 MFT Received 02/21/22 M. Balajadia

B. GBAHE-CO-23-02 Veterinarian Received 12/28/23 On-Island Consultant

C. GBAHE-CO-23-03 Veterinarian Received 12/28/23 On-Island Consultant

D. GBAHE-CO-24-03 SLP Received 08/06/24 N. Cepeda

E. GBAHE-CO-25-09 LPC Received 04/29/25 M. Balajadia

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Initial/New Applications

i. Veterinary Medicine

a. Brennecke, Lara (V. Harper)

b. Ingram, Mara E. (V. Harper)

ii. Physical Therapist

a. Black, Joel G. (J. Duenas)

b. Buce, Julia N. (J. Duenas)

c. Redona, Eric S. (J. Duenas)

iii. Registered Respiratory Therapist

a. Lucas, Sheri Lyn J. (G. Cruz)

iv. Occupational Therapist

a. Rael, Yolanda Y. (R. Taitingfong)

b. Tate, JoAnn E. (R. Taitingfong)

v. Audiologist

a. Cleary, Leela Ann P. (D. Triolo)

b. Gower, Christine E. (D. Triolo)

IX. NEXT BOARD MEETING

A. Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting: Friday, March 13, 2026, at 12:00 PM.

X. ADJOURNMENT: