



**State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage & Family
Therapist Board**

**Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee
Minutes**

September 18-19, 2014

Thursday, September 18, 2014

Members Present:

Ms. Margaret Knerr, IMFT
Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, LPCC
Dr. Alan Demmitt, IMFT, LPCC
Dr. Otha Gilyard, Public Member

Members Absent:

Ms. Stephanie McCloud, Public Member

Staff Present:

Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan, Mr. Brian Carnahan, Ms.
Tammy Tingle, Ms. Tracey Hosom

Guest Present:

Ms. Brittany Boch, OAMFT Board member

1. Meeting Called to Order

Ms. Knerr called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Discussion/Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Dr. Demmitt to approve the agenda as amended (addition of peer consultation, report from Executive Committee meeting), seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

3. Approval of July 2014 Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to approve the minutes, seconded by Dr. Demmitt. Motion carried.

4. Director's Report to the Committee

Mr. Carnahan, Executive Director, gave his report to the MFTPSC.

- The MFTPSC welcomed Mr. Carnahan as the new Executive Director. Mr. Carnahan thanked the Committee for their support and conveyed his eagerness in working with staff and Board members.
- Mr. Carnahan updated the Committee on the recent change in credit card processing vendors and the subsequent issues, namely a portion of the online renewal applications receiving multiple charges. Mr. Carnahan was working closely with the Renewal Coordinator, Ms. Franklin, and the credit card company, CBOSS, to resolve these issues as they arose.
- Mr. Carnahan reported that he had requested a meeting with the Governor's office as it relates to Boards and Commissions to discuss this Board's much needed appointments.
- The Budget has been submitted and the Board's funding is adequate.
- The new e-licensing system is still in its testing phase and will require the addition of two new license types after the rules are effective regarding the creation of the new MFT Trainee status and the IMFT supervisory designation.
- Mr. Carnahan informed the Committee of upcoming hearings regarding the recent rule filings. He also suggested, for consistency and better organization, future rule filings will be twice a year, with the exception of any emergency rule filings needed.
- Mr. Carnahan discussed his role in a mediation program in conjunction with EAP that he began while at his former position with OHFA. He stated he will work to avoid any conflicts between that role and his responsibilities at this Board.

5. Review of Request for Exception to Supervision

The members reviewed a request for an exception to the supervision rules based on a communication misunderstanding between the Board and two licensees. The licensees requested that hours already completed be accepted even though the training supervisor was not eligible under the current rule. Dr. Demmitt made a motion to deny the exception for the hours to be counted, seconded by Dr. Otha Gilyard (joining the committee for this vote to provide a quorum). Ms. Knerr abstained.

6. Review of Supervision Hardship Request

The members reviewed a request for supervision hardship. The Committee denied the request as the reasons given did not constitute a hardship based upon the information presented at the meeting.

7. Review of Temporary License Hardship Request

The members reviewed a request for a new temporary license to be issued as a result of a medical hardship. The Committee voted to issue a new temporary license on the basis of rule 4757-25-05 (E).

8. Investigative Consent Agreements

Mr. David Kelner is a licensed independent marriage and family therapist (IMFT). Mr. Kelner was found in violation of ORC 4757.36 (C) and OAC 4757-5-03 (A) (4) (a) and (c) and (B). Mr. Kelner admits to these allegations. Mr. Kelner must be supervised for four years and take continuing education in professional ethics. Dr. McGloshen motioned to accept the consent agreement between the Board and Mr. Kelner based on the evidence in the document. Dr. Demmitt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

9. Discussion Issues

New Business

Rules to be future filed

The MFTPSC requested that Ms. Adorjan keep track of rules the Committee wishes to draft changes to and file the next time a rule filing takes place.

- Committee wishes to re-consider their removal of section (E) from 4757-25-05, in light of the temporary license hardship request reviewed at this meeting.

Peer Consultation

The MFTPSC concluded that support for peer consultation can be achieved within the existing rules so the CEU committee can take this issue off their agenda.

- Committee reviewed a model CEU for peer consultation created by a current provider, ICFT. Dr. Demmitt and Dr. McGloshen were in agreement that it was a good idea.

Friday, September 19, 2014

Members Present: Ms. Margaret Knerr, IMFT
Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, LPCC
Dr. Alan Demmitt, IMFT, LPCC

Members Absent: Ms. Stephanie McCloud, Public Member

Staff Present: Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan

1. Meeting Called to Order

Ms. Knerr re-convened the meeting at 9:14 a.m.

2. Discussion/Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to approve the agenda as amended (addition of SWPSC memo, report from CEU Committee meeting, new Veteran's rule), seconded by Dr. Demmitt. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Applications for Licensure

A motion was made by Ms. Knerr to approve the following applications for licensure, seconded by Dr. Demmitt. Motion carried.

IMFT - Three Applications Approved

MFT - Three Applications Approved

4. Review of Examination Requests

The Committee reviewed two requests for licensing examination; one was approved and one was denied.

5. Discussion Issues

New Business

CEU Committee Meeting Report

Dr. Demmitt gave the MFTPSC a report from the Thursday meeting of the CEU Committee, of which he is now chair.

- One of the Social Worker Licensure Coordinators has developed a webinar on supervision in conjunction with NASW. It is possible that the webinar will appear on the Board's website as a helpful tool for those participating in social work training supervision. Dr. Demmitt asked the MFTPSC to consider the notion if the other two committees of this Board should create similar webinars for their licensees.
- The MFTPSC needs to decide if it is acceptable to have provider programs reviewed by non-MFTs; it was noted that the MFTPSC would like for this item to be placed on the November agenda and for Ms. Patty Miller, the CEU Program Coordinator, to review the cases that are cause for this discussion.

SWPSC Memo of Understanding

The SWPSC is considering adopting a Memo of Understanding (MOU) as it relates to an ongoing continuing education issue with NASW.

- Ms. Knerr questioned if this MOU becomes effective for the SWPSC, should the MFTPSC and/or CPSC need consider creating one for their professional organizations?
- Dr. Demmitt posited that the OAMFT and/or AAMFT are permitted to apply for provider status so there is no need to give them preferential treatment with a specialized MOU.
- Dr. McGloshen stated that this matter should be tabled until "the dust settles" on the SWPSC/NASW MOU situation.

AMFTRB Annual Conference Report

Ms. Knerr and Ms. Adorjan presented a report compiled from the recent AMFTRB annual conference held September 9-10 in New Orleans.

- Dr. McGloshen showed interest in the process of on-going background checks that some states are conducting. He asked if this process was necessary.
- Dr. Demmitt had questions in regard to the current national examination vendor seeking to try and test non-cognitive skills. He questioned: how do online programs evaluate non-cognitive skills that the exam wants to test?
- Regarding online educational programs specifically: Dr. Demmitt would like to see monitoring of how these programs are doing.
- Ms. Adorjan, the MFT Licensure Coordinator, was elected to the position of Member-at-Large of the AMFTRB Board. The position serves a two-year term.

4757-1-08: Rule that relates to Veterans

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to affirm that this rule was made consistent with 4757-7-01 regarding continuing education provisions, including military waivers, as requested at the July Board meeting; seconded by Dr. Demmitt. Motion carried.

COAMFTE applicants for examination

The MFTPSC requested that Ms. Adorjan begin to track the applicants from COAMFTE accredited programs who request to sit for the licensure examination. This number can then be combined with the examination requests the Committee approves allowing for a total compilation of exam applicants between Board meetings.

6. Working Meeting

The MFTPSC proceeded with a working meeting to review CEU Programs and Providers.

7. Meeting Adjourned

Ms. Knerr adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.



Ms. Margaret Knerr, IMFT
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Professional Standards Committee (MFTPSC)