



Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board

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To: CSWMFT Board
From: Brian Carnahan
Date: July 14, 2016
Re: Board Update

Below are the planned meeting times and locations.

Thursday, July 21, 2016

- Executive Committee – Executive Director’s Office at 8:15 a.m.
- MFTPSC – Window Workspace, CSWMFT Suite, 24th Floor – 9:30 a.m.
- CPSC – Ellis Conference Room, CSWMFT Suite, 24th Floor – 9:30 a.m.
- SWPSC – Addams Conference Room, CSWMFT Suite, 24th Floor – 9:30 a.m.
- CE Committee Meeting – Addams Conference Room – 1:00 p.m.
- Hearing, SWPSC, Room 1924 -1:30 PM,
- Board Planning Meeting – Addams Conference Room - 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday, July 22, 2016

- Executive Committee – Executive Director’s Office at 8:15 a.m.
- MFTPSC– Window Workspace– 9:30 a.m.
- SWPSC – Addams Conference Room – 9:30 a.m.
- CPSC –Ellis Conference Room, CSWMFT Suite, 24th Floor – 9:30 a.m.
- Board and staff lunch – Addams Conference Room – 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
- Board Meeting – Riffe Tower, 31st Floor, South B/C– 1:00 p.m.

Updates

Kudos

I want to extend a thanks to all of the staff for pitching in over the last few months as we have been challenged by staffing changes and an unusual volume of Social Work exam requests and applications, in addition to a strong volume of Counseling requests, CEU program and post-program approvals, and general inquiries.

Message to Pending Social Work Applicants

Even with our best efforts, including having Margaret-Ann, Bill, and I pitch in, the Social Work team faces a backlog of exam requests and applications. In addition to processing the actual work, staff have to constantly respond to e-mails and calls seeking a status update. I sent a message last week to those persons with a pending exam application or pending license application thanking them for their patience and letting them know we are working on the issue. As I note below, one of our solutions is to retain for a couple of weeks the temporary staffer. We have prioritized exam requests and LSW applications over LISW and LISW-S applications, though we are not ignoring applications for either the LISW or LISW-S. It would be helpful to remove some steps in the process, but given the nature of our licensing system, there is more hands on work than is ideal.

Staffing

We have had quite a spring and summer filling the front desk role. We were not able to retain the person who was originally offered the position full time. We reposted the position and identified an ideal candidate – Ray Lund. Ray found that the circumstances that led him to resign have not materialized. We are glad to have him rejoin the team. Having someone at the front desk who can answer many questions take pressure off the other staff.

To assist with the Social Work exam backlog created by the change in exam policy, I decided to retain for two weeks the temp, Aleisha Carter, who covered our front desk for a couple of weeks. She did a good job for us in that role and continues to make a great contribution in working through the exam requests.

Medicaid – Behavioral Health Redesign

The spring newsletter included an article by Medicaid staff that should help to address the concerns of the Board's licensees. Medicaid staff will be presenting on Thursday at the Planning Committee Meeting as well.

Department of Labor Occupational Licensing Grant

Both FARB and ASWB are seeking grant funds from the Department of Labor. As a FARB member, they asked us for a letter of support, which I provided. ASWB has also asked for support, which I think is a given. The proposals are complimentary. ASWB will focus on Social Work, while FARB will take a broader approach related to its role as an association of associations.

ASWB MSW Exam

As noted last month, ASWB will be asking us to implement the Master's exam for MSW graduates seeking initial licensure. ASWB provided more guidance, which is included in SWPSC folder.

Board Audit – State Auditor of Ohio

With the end of the 2016 Fiscal Year, the State Auditor has returned to complete the audit. We should have results by the September Board meeting.

NBCC State Administrators' Meeting

Ryan Pickut and I attended the NBCC State Administrator's forum in late May. We learned that NBCC conducts a practice analysis about every 5-7 years. This aligns with ASWB's standard. We may wish to consider setting a seven year "expiration date" standard for all three professions. Such a standard would apply when the person is never licensed, or allows an active license in Ohio or elsewhere to lapse. NBCC is willing to make available a new jurisprudence exam system they have developed. Composite boards such as ours would be able to use it as well. I plan to talk with them about options.

eLicense 3.0

We are still scheduled to implement the system in the second half of FY 2017. Based on some changes in the current schedule, I am guardedly optimistic that we will be in the system by the end of next year.

Ohio Ethics Law Training 2016

All State employees and State officials must take an annual ethics training. The Ohio Ethics Commission makes available online training. I would suggest taking the training available by clicking on this link:

<http://www.ethics.ohio.gov/education/elearning/ecourses.html>. Included in Dropbox is a PDF with additional training options.

Rule Filing

The rules we had been working on for the last year were effective July 1. The revised PDF of the laws and rule is posted to the web site. A message was sent out via our listserv, as well as posted on Facebook and Twitter.

Revenue (May 9 through June 30): \$241,885 (total 2016 Fiscal Year revenue = (\$1,475,034)

Expenditures –4-26-2016 – 6/30/16 (Excludes payroll):

Vendor/ Merchant	Monetary Amount
AUDITOR OF STATE	\$9,044.00
CINCINNATI BELL ANY DISTANCE INC	\$250.69
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	\$33,652.00
DIVERSITY SEARCH GROUP LLC	\$5,276.00
ETHICS COMMISSION	\$1,140.00
GREENE INC	\$33.20
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	\$5,791.00
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	\$123.27
OFFICE OF BUDGET & MANAGEMENT	\$215.00
PAYCARD - AMAZON MKTPLACE PMTS	\$13.98
SINGLE PAY - YOLANDA BOARD	\$15.00
TRAVEL - BOARD and STAFF	\$6,970.00
TOTAL	\$62,524.14

Licensee Update (as of 7-11-16)

<u>Credential</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Credential Status</u>	<u>Count</u>
LPC		ACTIVE	3525
LPC		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	404
LPC		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL - PAID	5
LPC	CR	ACTIVE	688
LPC	ESCR	ACTIVE	10
LPC	ESCR	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	9
LPC	SUPV	ACTIVE	179
LPC	SUPV	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	11
LPC	TEMP	ACTIVE	2
LPC	TRNE	ACTIVE	562
LPCC		ACTIVE	2080
LPCC		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	195
LPCC	ESCR	ACTIVE	2
LPCC	ESCR	FAILED TO RENEW	1
LPCC	SUPV	ACTIVE	2649
LPCC	SUPV	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	288
LPCC	SUPV	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL - PAID	1
IMFT		ACTIVE	139
IMFT		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	11
IMFT	ESCR	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	1
IMFT	SUPV	ACTIVE	51
IMFT	SUPV	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	4
SW		ACTIVE	2485
LISW		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	231
LISW		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL - PAID	2
LISW	ESCR	ACTIVE	9
LISW	ESCR	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	11
LISW	ESCR	FAILED TO RENEW - PAID	1
LISW	SUPV	ACTIVE	4645
LISW	SUPV	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	609
LISW	SUPV	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL - PAID	4
LISW	SUPV	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL-FAILED CE	
LISW	SUPV	AUDIT FEE	2
MFT		ACTIVE	141
MFT		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	16
MFT	TEMP	ACTIVE	1
MFT	TRNE	ACTIVE	38
LSW		ACTIVE	13950
LSW		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	1985
LSW		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL - PAID	20
LSW		FAILED TO RENEW - PAID	1
LSW	ESCR	ACTIVE	7
LSW	ESCR	ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	13
LSW	ESCR	FAILED TO RENEW	1
LSW	TEMP	ACTIVE	9
LSW	TRNE	ACTIVE	147
VA		ACTIVE	420
WA		ACTIVE IN RENEWAL	63
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