



Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board

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September 24, 2015

Chairperson, Ms. Margaret Knerr, at the Vern Riffe State Office Tower, 77 South High Street, Columbus, OH, convened the regular meeting of the Board at 1:05 p.m. on September 24, 2015. Dr. Matthew Paylo, Dr. Alan Demmitt, Ms. Erin Michel, Dr. Carl Brun, Dr. Christin Jungers, Ms. Lisa Haberbusch, Dr. Terri Hamm, Ms. Stephanie McCloud, Mr. John Heaton, Mr. Steve Polovick and Ms. Mary Venrick. Absent: Dr. Otha Gilyard. Staff present: Mr. Brian Carnahan, Ms. Patricia Miller, Ms. Tracey Hosom, Ms. Tammy Tingle, Mr. Doug Warne, Ms. Paula Broome and Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan. Also present: Ms. Melissa Wilburn, AAG, Ms. Danielle Smith, NASW-OH, Ms. Jennifer Mahoney, LSW, previous board member, Ms. Dorothy Martindale, NASW, Ms. Kristen Puckett, ICFT, Ms. Callie Mitchell, IMFT, Ms. Colleen Dempsey, NASW, Ms. Tammy Alderman, CSCC student, Mr. Jim Alderman, Mr. Steve Hegnauer, OU student, Ms. Cecilia Siegel, OU student, Ms. Mustafa Aydegan, OU student.

Ms. Knerr welcomed everyone.

- I. Discussion and approval of agenda. Ms. McCloud moved to accept the agenda with modifications, seconded by Dr. Brun. Carried.
- II. Ms. Venrick moved to accept the July 17, 2015, full Board minutes, seconded by Dr. Jungers. Carried.

Ms. Michel awarded Mr. Polovick a plaque in recognition of his six years of outstanding service on the Board, as a Committee Chair and as the Board Chair. Mr. Polovick thanked everyone and expressed the honor and privilege it has been to be a part of this Board.

Dr. Hamm awarded Ms. Venrick a plaque in recognition of her exceptional leadership as a Committee Chair, Board Chair, and Investigative Liaison. Ms. Venrick thanked everyone.

Mr. Carnahan awarded a plaque to Mr. Warne who is retiring in recognition of his service to the Board. Mr. Warne has been a value to the board team and with being new to the Board Mr. Carnahan appreciated Mr. Warne's invaluable and dedicated service. Mr. Warne thanked everyone and expressed the rewarding experience and privilege being a part of the Board has been.

Ms. Knerr read a passage for thought, thanked the Board Members and Mr. Warne for their hard work.

III. Executive Director Report presented by Mr. Carnahan:

Mr. Carnahan reported:

1. A report was given to each of the Professional Standards Committees.
2. Dr. Demmitt is up for re-appointment and hopefully the other vacancies will be filled soon.

IV. Investigative Report presented by Ms. Tingle:

1. Fifty-six new cases since the July board meeting.
2. Staff has been doing a lot of traveling.
3. Thanked the investigative liaisons.
4. Competency is the most filed complaint.

V. Legal Update by Ms. Wilburn:

1. Thanked Ms. Venrick regarding a consent agreement versus a hearing.

VI. Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Ms. McCloud:

Ms. McCloud reported:

1. Reviewed rules and are almost done, some of the language in the rules regarding ethics, practice, conduct, search engine, additional information is needed. Discussed adding gender identity. Also added MFT licensees to a rule that left the profession out.
2. Discussed music therapy.
3. AMFTRB conference update from Ms. Adorjan, also in attendance was Mr. Carnahan and Ms. Knerr. Ms. Adorjan reported one of the topics presented was teletherapy. A Texas legal battle regarding Marriage and Family Therapists diagnosing and treating and the possible outcome for other states depending on the decision was also presented at the conference.

4. Mr. Polovick asked how many licensed MFT's in Texas, Ms. Adorjan responded there are thousands.
5. Ms. McCloud asked Mr. Carnahan if this is an issue for Ohio. Mr. Carnahan responded that Ohio has treating and diagnosing in the statute already so it is not an issue.
6. Dr. Brun asked about the language barrier and Ms. Adorjan stated social workers are granted extra time for the exam. Mr. Carnahan added a dictionary is also permitted for social workers. The MFT's are considering this option.

VII. Counselor Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Dr. Hamm:

Dr. Hamm reported:

1. Approved draft rule and changes to 4757-5-02 (g)1 and (g)2. Requested more time to discuss the rule on search engines and electronic delivery.
2. Approved reciprocity with Kentucky for licensure. If licensed in Kentucky from another state the individual must be licensed in Kentucky for two years to receive reciprocity with Ohio.
3. Approved the counseling program for the Winebrenner School in Finlay, Ohio.
4. Closed fifteen cases and approved three consent agreements.
5. The Enneagram Institute was denied provider status renewal and presented an appeal to the CPSC. The appeal was denied, no new information was given.

VIII. Social Worker Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Ms. Michel:

Ms. Michel reported:

1. Discussed proposed options regarding the decision process from Mr. Carnahan.
2. Reviewed the revised rules and added some language changes.
3. Thanked Ms. Tingle for her investigative report.
4. Correspondence received regarding the current exam perimeters. Currently any student can take the advanced exam which is not in sync with ASWB. Mr. Carnahan is meeting with Deans and Department Chairs that want this issue revisited.
5. Discussed a hardship request regarding the supervision designation.
6. Reviewed the complaint process if a complaint was made against a board member.

Ms. Knerr asked the guests to stand up and introduce themselves.

IX. Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Ms. Knerr

1. Reviewed the Board operations.
2. Discussed starting a meeting at 3:30 with all three committees on Thursdays.
3. The Chemical Dependency Board will be presenting at the November board meeting.
4. Discussed Board options for rule changes, looked at some options and will have Ms. Wilburn review.
5. Thanked the staff and board for input on Mr. Carnahan's review.
6. Dr. Jungers asked when the decision on the 3:30 meetings was decided as this was the first she was hearing about it. Requested the CPSC be informed when decisions are being made. Mr. Carnahan will send an e-mail on any issues that need addressed about two weeks prior to the board meeting. Dr. Brun added the meeting came about from the Planning Committee meeting.
7. Mr. Polovick added that regarding inquiries into the search engine, ASWB had participants from all over the world and would be a good resource. Mr. Carnahan stated he would look into this.

CEU Committee –

No meeting was held.

X. Old Business:

None

XI. New Business:

Mr. Carnahan reported that Mr. Frazier will attend the ASWB training next Thursday. The focus of the training is board staff. ASWB will incur most of the cost but in the case of incidentals the board will cover those expenses. Ms. Haberbusch moved to approve Mr. Frazier to attend the ASWB training, seconded by Dr. Brun. Carried.

ASWB will cover the majority of the cost for Mr. Carnahan to attend the ASWB Delegate meeting in Ft. Lauderdale. Also requesting to send Mr. Miller or a board member. Ms. Michel moved to approve Mr. Miller and Mr. Carnahan to attend the ASWB Delegate meeting, seconded by Dr. Brun. Carried.

Mr. Carnahan reported that Mr. Warne's last day is next Tuesday, and his position was posted on 9/21/2015 and will be posted for ten days. Hoping

to fill the position by November. Mr. Polovick reported he may not continue as a member of ASWB but encourages another board member to join as it is a priceless experience.

An MOU was drafted for the reciprocity of licensure for counselors in Kentucky. An amendment added that two year's work is requested if granted reciprocity to receive a Kentucky counselor license. Dr. Demmit asked if any input from outside was given, Dr. Hamm said input from the Association was given.

Music Therapy Presentation regarding licensure and being added to the Board.

Mr. Heaton stated more information was needed, not impressed with what was presented. It was not defined how it is a good fit with the board. More a modality than a practice.

Ms. Michel agreed, do they have administrative set up to support what they are proposing?

Ms. Knerr would like clear boundaries defined versus a repeat of words or definitions.

Mr. Carnahan reported there is a sponsor in the House that has an interest. If the Board is concerned on the impact then that needs to be made clear versus signing on with other groups.

Ms. McCloud asked, do we want to add them and do we want them licensed, we need to authorize Mr. Carnahan to take a stand on behalf of the Board.

Mr. Carnahan stated the Medical Board was considered but said no as their code is more stringent. Our Board appeared a better fit. Mr. Carnahan could talk to representatives with the Boards view. The finances do not work and other licenses would have to subsidize their cost.

Ms. Knerr is concerned over the scope of practice of Music Therapists. It is not clear or defined.

Dr. Brun asked if they have national accreditation.

Dr. Hamm asked what response do we want to give and to what extent.

Ms. McCloud moved that the Board authorizes Mr. Carnahan to express to sponsors or committees informal or formal that the Board has not invited Music Therapist to be under their licensing authority. Seconded by Mr. Heaton. Carried.

Ms. Knerr thanked everyone for Mr. Carnahans review, Board Members and staff, good comments and suggestions.

Ms. McCloud moved that the Board adjourn into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(1) to consider public compensation, seconded by Mr. Polovick. Roll call was taken; Ms. Knerr, yes, Dr. Hamm, yes, Ms. Michel, yes, Dr. Demmitt, yes, Dr. Jungers, yes, Mr. Heaton, yes, Dr. Paylo, yes, Mr. Polovick, yes, Ms. Venrick, yes, Dr. Brun, yes and Ms. Haberbush, yes. Carried.

Ms. Knerr called the meeting out of Executive Session.

Mr. Polovick moved to authorize Ms. Knerr or Mr. Carnahan to explore further with DAS regarding Mr. Carnahan's present salary and appropriate incentives, seconded by Ms. McCloud. Unanimously carried.

XII. Adjourned: 2:30 PM

Margaret Knerr, MS, IMFT-S
Board Chair
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