



Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board

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January 20, 2012

Chairperson, Mr. Tommie L. Robertson, at the LeVeque Tower, 50 West Broad Street, Columbus, OH, convened the regular meeting of the Board at 1:00 P.M. on January 20, 2012.

Members present were Mr. Robert Nelson, Ms. Mary Venrick, Mr. Don McTigue, Dr. Otha Gilyard, Dr. Terri Hamm, Dr. Deirdre Petrich, and Dr. Thomas McGloshen. Absent: Mr. Steven Polovick, Ms. Maureen Cooper and Ms. Jennifer Paluszak Hadden. Staff present: Mr. James Rough, Mr. William Hegarty, Ms. Patricia Miller, Ms. Tammy Tingle, Mr. Douglas Warne, Ms. Tracey Hosom and Mr. Andrew Miller. Also, present: Atty. Melissa Wilburn, Asst. Atty. General.

- I.** Discussion and approval of agenda. Dr. Gilyard moved to accept the agenda, seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Carried.
- II.** Dr. Gilyard moved to accept the November 18, 2011, minutes, seconded by Ms. Venrick. Carried.
- III. Executive Director Report presented by Mr. Rough:**

Mr. Rough reported:

1. Report given to each of the Professional Standards Committees is attached to the minutes.
2. The Board has four vacancies, Dr. McGloshen was re-appointed but no word on Mr. Brady's re-appointment or the three vacancies. Contact with the Governor's office has been made but no update on appointments.
3. Representative Sears is working on a third draft regarding some counselor issues but the concern is the time limit.
4. The CEU audit position will be posted.
5. A change has been made to the process of filing rules, the process is under the Lt. Governor first instead of JCARR and why the rule change is needed

must be stated. Rules will be final filed with an effective date of 4/1/2012. Postcards were mailed to continuing education program sponsors and provider agencies regarding the new fee. The five year rule review is progressing.

6. The 2011 financial disclosure statement is available online to complete and if needed a one page reflecting 2011 travel can be e-mailed to board members, if requested.
7. Mr. Rough's annual review is due. The Executive Committee will discuss this in March.
8. January 4 thru January 6, 2012, Mr. Rough attended the AASCB Annual Meeting in South Carolina. It was a good meeting. Some of the issues discussed were endorsement, license qualifications, and state to state similarities and differences.
9. The budget report and number of licenses report were discussed. A correction to the travel amount as less was spent than projected.
10. The staff is working well together which is appreciated. Mr. Hegarty and the investigators are also doing a good job.

IV. Investigative Report presented by Mr. Hegarty:

Mr. Hegarty reported:

1. Thanked the staff for their hard work.
2. The number of complaints has increased, competency, non-sexual boundaries, and custody are the ones mostly received.
3. Thanked the liaisons, Mr. Nelson, Dr. Petrich, Ms. Cooper, and Ms. Venrick.
4. Met with the Committees except for the Marriage and Family Therapists since no complaints have been received for the MFTs.

V. Legal Update presented by Atty. Melissa Wilburn:

Atty. Melissa Wilburn reported:

1. DAS has reported some issues regarding the license agreement with Adobe and the number of users. Mr. Rough has resolved this issue. DAS will work on better arrangements and Mr. Rough will remain in contact with them.
2. Ms. Doris Murray, an appeal case, she was suspended and required to take counseling courses. She is registered to take the courses but continues to work. Once the briefs are submitted then the Judge will decide. The Judge granted a stay so she can continue to work as a counselor.
3. A significant amount of conversation has taken place regarding the delay in board member appointments and problems this is causing. Mr. Rough asked if Ms. Wilburn's boss could call the Governor's office but Ms. Wilburn said this would not be appropriate. Ms. Wilburn stated the

Governor's office is reviewing applicants much more closely and this is taking more time.

4. Mr. Robertson asked how electronic filing is going. Ms. Wilburn stated it is taking time with everyone signing up and trying to iron things out, it will take time.

VI. Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Dr. McGloshen:

Dr. McGloshen reported:

1. Licensed two IMFT's, reviewed and approved five exam requests.
2. Discussed the lack of MFT/IMFT license requests and the insurance reimbursement problems.
3. Dr. Gilyard asked why the problems and a discussion took place.

VII. Counselor Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Ms. Venrick:

Ms. Venrick reported:

1. Licensed seventy-eight PC's, fifty-five PCC's, mailed one hundred and twenty-three exam packets and five hundred and forty-four training letters.
2. Reported exam results for November and December.
3. Four consent agreements were voted on.
4. One Goldman Licensure denial, one remediation plan, reviewed correspondence and rule review.

VIII. Social Work Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Mr. Nelson:

Mr. Nelson reported:

1. The Committee did not have a quorum for the Friday meeting.
2. Reviewed consent agreements and Goldman Hearings.
3. Reviewed continuing education.
4. Approved license requests.
5. Reviewed rules for the five year rule review.

IX. Committee Reports

Executive Committee

Mr. Rough reviewed items from the Executive Director Report in detail.

CEU Committee

No Meeting.

Investigations Ad Hoc Committee
No Meeting.

X. New Business:

1. Dr. Petrich reported that Dr. McGloshen received the 2011 Ohio Counselor Association Charles "Chuck" Weaver Award and wanted to recognize him. At the same event Dr. White Kress received the Susan J. Sears Counselor of the Year Award; and Dr. Susan Sears, the Board's first chairperson, received a Lifetime Achievement Award.

XI. Old Business:

None

Mr. Robertson reminded everyone to complete the Executive Director's evaluation by March. Thanked staff for doing a wonderful job and for continuing to come up with ideas to improve the licensing process. Be careful and safe traveling home.

XII. Adjourned: 2:00 PM

Tommie L. Robertson, LIMFT, Board Chair