

STATE OF OHIO

COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD

November 21, 2003

The regular meeting of the Board was convened at 1:30 PM on November 21, 2003, by Chairman, Dr. Frank O'Dell, at the Board offices, 77 S. High St., Columbus, OH. Members present were: Mr. Glenn Abraham, Ms. Linda Barson, Mr. Rocky Black, Dr. Theresa Cluse-Tolar, Ms. Gwendolyn DaCons-Taylor, Mr. Michael Davis, Dr. Susan Huss, Dr. William Mosier, Dr. Julianne Serovich, Ms. Mary Anne Sharkey, Mr. Kenneth Trivison, and Mr. Joseph Williams. Absent: Dr. Rose Quinones-DelValle. Staff present: Ms. Laurie Allison, Ms. Rena Elliott, Ms. Beth Farnsworth, Mr. William Hegarty, Ms. Patricia Miller, Mr. Jason Schutte, Ms. Connie Stansberry and Ms. Tamara Tingle. Also present: Mr. Henry Lustig, NASW.

- I. Discussion and approval of agenda. Mr. Davis moved to accept the agenda, Mr. Abraham seconded. Carried.
- II. Mr. Black moved to accept the September 19, 2003, minutes, Dr. Cluse-Tolar seconded. Carried.
- III. Executive Director's Report presented by Ms. Farnsworth:

Ms. Farnsworth reported:

- a. Distributed the budget report.
- b. Computer software will be available February 2004. Ms. Farnsworth, Mr. Schutte and Ms. Franklin are working on the new system and a possible demonstration at the January 2004 Board meeting.
- c. Ethics policy draft needs voted on.
- d. Filing window for rules is 12/6/03 through 12/15/03, and thirty days for the Public Hearing to be 1/15/04. March 12, 2004, is the earliest final filing date.
- e. Ms. Connie Stansberry, Office Assistant II, started October 6, is handling licensure certificates and is the receptionist back up.
- f. Dr. Mosier moved to accept the ethics policy, Ms. DaCons-Taylor seconded. Carried.

- g. The Board received a letter from OBM concerning HB 95, two million from the 4K9 fund was withdrawn, \$76,000 from the CSWMFTB, our budget remains in good standing.

IV. Legal Update:

- a. None

V. Investigative Report presented by Mr. Hegarty:

Mr. Hegarty reported:

- a. Thanked Dr. Cluse-Tolar, Dr. Quinones-Delvalle, Board Liaisons and staff for all their work on cases.
- b. There are currently ninety cases open: fifty-six social work, thirty counselor and four unlicensed practice. There are forty-one new cases: twenty-five social work, thirteen counselor and three unlicensed practice.
- d. The Investigative Unit has traveled to Cleveland, Zanesville, Cincinnati, Austintown, Hartwell, Toledo, Portsmouth, Wooster, Dayton, Steubenville, Columbus, and Circleville.

VI. The Counselor Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Mr. Davis:

Mr. Davis reported:

- a. The third week in January 2004, the new test will be available.
- b. Thank you note was received from Ms. Pat Sposito.
- c. Thanked Mr. Hegarty and staff for their hard work on cases.
- d. CPSC discussed on-line degrees and requested any information to be shared with the Board.
- e. A discussion will take place in January 2004 to clarify the endorsement process.
- f. Discussed a Committee policy for out-of-state degrees.
- g. Licensure approvals.

VII. The Marriage and Family Therapist Standards Committee Report was presented by Dr. Serovich:

Dr. Serovich reported:

- a. The Committee met in October in Akron to work on the laws and rules and continued to work on them today.

VIII. The Social Work Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Ms. DaCons-Taylor:

Ms. DaCons-Taylor reported:

- a. Committee reviewed three cases, one notice of opportunity for hearing and one hearing officers report.
- b. Reviewed applications for licensure.
- c. Reviewed an intent to deny.
- d. Ms. Farnsworth and Dr. Cluse-Tolar attended the ASWB meeting.
- e. Reviewed correspondences.
- f. Several individuals practicing without a license met with the Committee.
- g. Closure of cases.

Discussion took place concerning individuals practicing without a license.

IX. Old Business: NONE

X. New Business

- a. Dr. Serovich moved to file the following amended rules: 4757-1-02, 4757-1-04, 4757-1-05, 4757-3-01, 4757-3-02, 4757-5-01, 4757-7-01, 4757-7-02, 4757-9-05, 4757-9-06, 4757-11-01, 4757-11-02, and the following new rules: 4757-6-01, 4757-6-02, 4757-9-01, 4757-25-01, 4757-25-02, 4757-25-03, 4757-25-04, 4757-25-05, 4757-25-06, 4757-27-01, 4757-27-02, 4757-27-03, 4757-29-01. Ms. DaCons-Taylor seconded. Carried. Discussion took place on clarifying some of the rules.
- b. Dr. O'Dell reported he was glad to be back for another meeting.
- c. Dr. O'Dell reported Ms. Pat Sposito received the Herman Peters award for outstanding service from OCA and she seemed healthy and in good spirits.
- d. Dr. O'Dell thanked the staff and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

XI. Adjourned.

- a. Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Dr. Cluse-Tolar. Carried.

Mr. Michael Davis
Acting Chair