

## STATE OF OHIO

### COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD

September 19th, 2003

The regular meeting of the Board was convened at 1:30 PM on September 19, 2003, by Chairman, Dr. 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. Rose Quinones-DelValle, Ms. Mary Anne Sharkey, Mr. Kenneth Trivison, and Ms. Penny Wyman. Absent: Mr. Joseph Williams Staff present: Ms. Laurie Allison, Ms. Rena Elliott, Ms. Beth Farnsworth, Mr. William Hegarty, Ms. Tracey Hosom, Ms. Patricia Miller, Mr. Jason Schutte, and Ms. Tamara Tingle. Also present: Ms. Lynne Kaufman, Fellow American Board of Vocational Experts, Mr. Henry Lustig, NASW.

- I. Discussion and approval of agenda. Mr. Davis moved to accept the agenda, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.
- II. Dr. Quinones-DelValle moved to accept the July 18, 2003 minutes, Ms. Wyman seconded. Carried.

- III. Executive Director's Report presented by Ms. Farnsworth:

Ms. Farnsworth reported:

- a. Chemical Dependency Board's rules were reviewed by JCARR and some of the changes suggested by our Board were made, and the rules were adopted.
- b. An executive session will be called concerning a personnel matter during the legal report.
- c. The phones have been busy in the office, many new applicants.
- d. Distributed the budget report and explained the report for new Board members.

- IV. Legal Update:

- a. Ms. Petrella reported there is no pending litigation.

**MOTION:** Mr. Davis moved and Mr. Black seconded the motion that the Board go into executive session. Voting Aye: Mr. Abraham, Ms. Barson, Mr. Black, Dr. Cluse-Tolar, Ms. DaCons-Taylor, Mr. Davis, Dr. Huss, Dr. Mosier, Dr. O'Dell, Dr. Quinones-DelValle, Ms. Serovich, Ms. Sharkey, Mr. Trivison, and Ms. Wyman. Voting Nay: None. Motion passes unanimously.

At the conclusion of the discussion the meeting was called back to regular session.

V. Investigative Report presented by Mr. Hegarty:

Mr. Hegarty reported:

- a. Thanked Dr. O'Dell for being the Board liaison and for all his help.
- b. Several meetings with Mr. Schutte, Ms. Tingle, Ms. Allison, and Ms. Hosom to discuss changes to the Code of Ethics, a draft proposal was distributed. Child custody is the area of greatest change. The Board will review and discuss the code of ethics at the November meeting.
- c. There are currently eighty-six cases open: fifty social work, twenty-nine counselor and seven unlicensed practice. There are thirty-seven new cases: twenty-one social work, thirteen counselor and three unlicensed practice.
- d. The Investigative Unit has traveled to Xenia, Mason, three times to Lima, Silver Lake, Athens, twice to Toledo, Bowling Green, Trotwood, Dayton, Mt. Vernon, Austintown, Canton and Cleveland.

VI. The Social Worker Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Ms. Wyman:

Ms. Wyman reported:

- a. Two consent agreements were approved.
- b. Applications for licensure were approved.
- c. Two intents to deny were issued.
- d. Ms. DaCons-Taylor and Dr. Cluse-Tolar will attend the ASWB meeting in November in Colorado Springs.
- e. Individuals practicing without a license were discussed, looking for advice and guidance.
- f. A hearing for Ms. Murphy took place, she did not meet the licensure requirements.

- g. Ms. DaCons-Taylor will be acting Chair in Ms. Wyman's departure.
- h. Continuing Education was reviewed jointly with the CPSC.
- i. Dr. O'Dell thanked Ms. Wyman for her service on the Board.

VII. The Counselor Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Dr. Quinones-DelValle:

Dr. Quinones-DelValle reported:

- a. Ms. Elliot informed the Committee about testing issues.
- b. The portability issue was discussed.
- c. Clinical component of the exam was discussed.
- d. New test available January 1, 2004, it is more portable to other states.
- e. Several Committee members will be attending the OACES meeting to present on exam issues and how to review counselor education programs.
- f. Reviewed a consent agreement, requested individual to surrender their license.
- g. One case of unprofessional conduct.
- h. The Board will be presenting at the All Ohio Conference.

VIII. The Marriage and Family Therapist Standards Committee Report was presented by Ms. Serovich:

Ms. Serovich reported:

- a. The Committee has met three times, for orientation, rules and responsibility, and work on the rules with Ms. Farnsworth, Ms. Hosom and Ms. DeBolt who was a great help.
- b. The Committee will meet in two weeks to work on rules, some will be ready for submission in November for April 04 licensure.
- c. The Committee will be represented at the Association of Marriage and Family Therapists Regulatory Boards at the October meeting.
- d. The Board voted to join the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists Regulatory Boards.
- e. Dr. O'Dell reminded the MFTSC to request full Board approval when making Board decisions.

IX. Old Business: NONE

X. New Business

- a. Dr. O'Dell welcomed the Marriage and Family Therapist Board members.
- b. Dr. O'Dell thanked the staff especially Ms. Elliott, Ms. Sposito and Ms. Farnsworth. He enjoyed his six years with the Board and hopes the Board will continue to request accountability with continuing education, further work with on-line counseling and on-line continuing education, remember the plan to hire a public education person, work on a plan to monitor counseling in non-exempt settings, continued work on portability, more control on agencies and consistency.

The Board will miss Dr. O'Dell and thanks him and Ms. Wyman for their service and all their help.

- c. Ms. Farnsworth requested any individuals interested in becoming the Board Chair to send their letter to her.
- d. Ms. Wyman thanked Mr. Schutte, Mr. Hegarty and Ms. Allison and the staff.
- e. Dr. Quinones-DelValle nominated Mr. Davis for Acting Board Chair, Dr. Cluse-Tolar seconded. Carried.

XI. Adjourned.

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

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Mr. Michael Davis  
Acting Chair

