



Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board

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State of Ohio Counselor Professional Standards Committee Meeting July 19, 2012

Members Present: Otha Gilyard, Maureen Cooper, Terri Hamm and Mary Venrick

Staff Present: James Rough, Bill Hegarty, Tammy Tingle, and Simeon Frazier

Guests Present: None

Venrick called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

Election of New Committee Chair

Mary Venrick recommended/nominated Maureen Cooper to serve as CPSC Chair. Hamm seconded. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed, unanimously.

Discussion/Approval of Agenda

Venrick moved to approve the agenda, as presented Hamm seconded. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed, unanimously.

Executive Committee Report

Venrick reported that there's a new appointment; Stephanie McCloud, public member of the Marriage & Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee.

They discussed the budget issues; the budget went under-spent, as expected. There was a \$6,000 issue that wasn't able to be fixed.

HB567 was introduced by Rep. Sears. Input from the Governor's office regarding the civil service exemption, which mainly affects the social workers.

The Planning Meeting agenda was discussed and the appropriate language for having an the executive session was discussed.

Counselor Trainee Issues

July-12-01

The committee agreed to allow the applicant to be awarded counselor trainee status given that their conditions of answering #18 on the Counselor Trainee Initial Application.

Remediation Plans

Julia Watkins

She requested that her plan for the NCMHCE was to take a treatment planning course at Malone University along with the NBCC's preparatory study guide.

The committee agreed to the plan

The committee continued working on programs & CEUs from 9:45a.m.-10:45a.m.

Venrick left at 09:58a.m. to attend a meeting, and returned at 10:45 a.m. along with Hegarty, Hosom, Tingle, and Elliott.

Investigation Report

Hegarty passed out a listing of the closed cases, reviewed by Venrick and Cooper. He, then, thanked Venrick and Cooper for their work on each case.

Venrick moved to close the cases that she reviewed. Hamm seconded. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed, unanimously.

Cooper moved to close the cases that she reviewed, including case 2012-36. Hamm seconded. There was no further discussion, and the motion passed, unanimously.

Marjorie Cavanaugh

Venrick moved to accept her consent agreement, as written.

Hegarty referenced the "Doris Murray case." The board won it. She completed 1 of the 4 courses required, and she's in counseling.

Regarding the suspension, if suspended, she will lose her job, and would, consequently, need to leave counseling.

The new consent agreement is being proposed to "suspend, but stay" her license, and her requirements must be complete by June 2013 or else suspension automatically goes into effect.

Cooper confirmed with Hegarty that Margaret-Ann Adorjan will monitor this.

Venrick moved to accept the consent agreement. Hamm seconded. There was no additional discussion, and the motion passed, unanimously.

Case 2012-17

Committee agreed after review of documentation that this licensee needs an impairment evaluation.

Cooper moved to order the licensee into an impairment evaluation. Venrick seconded. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed, unanimously.

Goldman Review for Frank Porter

Porter refused to cooperate with the Board. Venrick confirmed that he hasn't requested a hearing.

Cooper moved to revoke Porter's license. Venrick seconded. There was no additional discussion, and the motion passed, unanimously.

Hegarty stated that there have been fewer cases during the summer, but overall, there have been more cases.

Hosom, Tingle left at 11:00 a.m.

Jason Kerns

Venrick reported that Hegarty and she met with Kerns. She shared that she would feel alright granting him Counselor Trainee (CT) status. He attended addictions therapy and realized the gravity of what he did. The committee, after hearing how he took responsibility for his actions, felt better, overall, and confident that he could be a CT, while protecting the public.

Venrick moved to award Kerns' CT status. Hamm seconded. There was no additional discussion, and the motion passed, unanimously.

Hegarty left at 11:04 a.m.

Cooper left to attend the CEU Committee meeting at 11:05 a.m.

The committee continued to work on programs and CEUs until the July Planning meeting at 2 p.m.

**State of Ohio
Counselor Professional Standards Committee Meeting
July 20, 2012**

Members Present: Mary Venrick, Maureen Cooper and Terri Hamm

Staff Present: Rena Elliott, Bill Hegarty, Tracey Hosom, Jim Rough and Simeon Frazier

Guests Present: None

Cooper called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Discussion and Approval of Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda and Venrick moved to accept the agenda as presented. Hamm seconded

There was no additional discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.

CEU Report

Cooper reported that the Social Workers agreed to stop accepting, unilaterally, the NASW's programs, as there were too many unacceptable programs approved by NASW. They will continue accepting NASW Ohio Chapter programs.

Paula Broom is doing a great job.

The survey monkey responses are, still, positive.

Approval of March '12 Minutes

Hamm shared the only adjustments to correct sentence structure.

Venrick moved to accept the minutes, as amended. Hamm seconded. There was no additional discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report

Rough reported that Stephanie McCall, public member, replaced John Cranley on the MFT committee. The Counselor Professional Standards Committee is still waiting for appointments.

Rep. Sears introduced HB 567 must get past the house and senate. There were a number of issues with the bill, but they were addressed, mainly the civil services exemption. It will continue as long as they have 2 years of services by the time the bill is enacted. The Chemical Dependency bill has been presented.

Budget included \$74,000 that went un-spent by the end of the fiscal year. There was \$21,000 in payroll excess, and almost \$53,000 in non-payroll excess due to the IT infrastructure. There board was down by 4 members, and paid ½ the licensure system

maintenance, there were no expensive hearings, this year, and there was a reduced cost from prior years by scanning old files.

The 5 year rule review changes will be filed with the common sense initiative office. The Legislative Services Commission filing and JCARR hearing is pending. As far as IT issues go, the new server is working well, settings are still being adjusted to address minor issues. The annual planning meeting went well.

Approval of PC Applicants

There are 130 PC applicants
Venrick moved to approve the list of 130 PC applicants. Hamm seconded. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of PCC Applicants

There are 57 PCC applicants
Hamm moved to approve the list of 57 PCC applicants. Venrick seconded. There was no additional discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Counselor Application Coordinator's Report

Elliott reported that, since the last board meeting, Frazier processed 519 Counselor Trainee/Clinical Resident applications and that she had sent 149 Exam packets.

In May, there were 60 candidates for the NCE. 56 passed, and 4 were unsuccessful. There were 35 candidates for the NCMHCE. 27 passed, and 8 were unsuccessful.

In June, there were 46 candidates for the NCE 41 passed and 5 were unsuccessful. There were 34 candidates for the NCMHCE 24 passed and 10 were unsuccessful.

Cooper confirmed that the NCMHCE focused on case studies and application.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business

Correspondence

Paula Britton

Dr. Britton requested the committee review changing the supervisory renewal requirement to 3 CEUs (Down, from 6), as she's found that the 6 hours training is more

sufficient to get into substantial issues with regards to training. She also noted that 3 hours of CEUs could be achieved via peer supervision. Cooper shared that the decision has been made, to go from 3 to 6 CEU hours, and that they cannot count the peer supervision towards the 3 required CEUs, as outlined in the previous board meeting minutes.

Sandy Deas

Hamm asked if Deas was diagnosing and treating. Elliott didn't discover any proof of diagnosis.

Cooper shared that the committee must know her work duties and the scope of her practice.

Hamm shared that the evaluation from her workplace supervisor is needed to prove diagnosis and treatment.

Karen Gagliano

The Committee agrees that she hasn't taken sufficient classes (she completed a 48 hour program), even though she has sufficient coursework, and has 30 years of experience. The discussion ensued that out of state applicants get in with some qualifications. Cooper shared that she's alright to sit for the exam, Hamm was not as sure.

After receiving her file that determined that she was missing clinical courses, but in 1986, she could've applied for the PCC. She was grandparented in back in 1986, and she was diagnosing in 1984.

Hamm moved to allow her to sit for the NCMHCE. Venrick seconded. There was no additional discussion, as the motion passed, unanimously.

Katie Lazarus

She got licensed 4/12/12, and graduated in 2011. But she wants the PCC. She's working in Florida, and wants her Florida supervision to count towards her PCC license.

The Committee needs to see the supervisor's credentials and they must complete the necessary forms if it's a licensed supervisor, it will be accepted, but the paperwork must verify everything.

If she meets the rules, it may count.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Maureen Cooper, Chair