



State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board

Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee Minutes

January 20 & 21, 2011

Thursday, January 20, 2011

Members Present: Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, PCC
Dr. Deirdre Petrich, IMFT, PCC, LSW
Mr. Tommie Robertson, IMFT
Mr. John Cranley, Public Member

Members Absent: Ms. Peggy Volters, IMFT, PCC

Staff Present: Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan, Mr. Bill Hegarty, Mr. Jim Rough

Guests Present: None

1. Meeting Called to Order

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

2. Discussion/Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to approve the agenda, seconded by Dr. Petrich. Motion carried.

3. Approval of November 2010 Minutes

The Committee made the decision to wait until the March meeting to approve the November meeting minutes due to the absence of Ms. Volters at this meeting and the abstention of Drs. McGloshen and Petrich who were absent from the November meeting.

4. **Approval of Applications for Licensure**

A motion was made by Dr. Petrich to approve the following applications for licensure, seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

IMFT - 2 Applications Approved

MFT - 3 Applications Approved

5. **Review of Examination Requests**

The members reviewed and denied one request for licensing examination.

6. **Discussion Issues**

Promotion of MFT License

The MFTPSC continued discussion regarding the best way to promote the MFT license in Ohio and begin increasing the number of MFT licensees in the state of Ohio.

- The University of Akron held a workshop for current MFT licensees on December 3, 2010 at which the MFT Coordinator, Ms. Adorjan, and an Investigator, Ms. Hosom, presented.
- The MFT Coordinator, Ms. Adorjan, did research at the request of the Committee and reported that an acceptable MFT degree could be obtained at Wright State University through supplementing a few required courses, providing another viable option to students seeking an MFT degree in Ohio.
 - This proposed course curriculum was passed on to faculty at Wright State in hopes of possible implementation in the near future. The Committee tasked Mr. Rough with follow-up regarding this issue.

Charging Fees for Program/Provider Status

The MFTPSC discussed a proposal to charge fees for those seeking the privilege of holding provider or program status with this Board.

- The Committee has maintained the same position regarding this issue for the past several meetings.
- The Committee, *again*, wishes to stress that the Board must establish the overall goal of this decision before it can establish specific charges and parameters.
- If the goal is helping licensees achieve affordable CEUs, then the Committee is in favor of charging a fee to programs and providers who offer programs for more than \$15 a CEU hour, thereby creating an incentive for them to offer cheaper CEU programs to licensees.
 - Example: Provider (A) charges licensees \$30/CEU hour; Board will charge Provider (A) \$1000 per offering and \$1000 for their provider status granted by the Board

Emeritus Status of License

The MFTPSC discussed a Memo regarding the possible creation of an Emeritus status for retired licensees who wish to volunteer. The Committee is against establishing any such status.

7. Working Meeting

The MFTPSC proceeded with a working meeting to review CEU Programs and Providers.

8. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m., seconded by Mr. Robertson. Motion carried.

Friday, January 21, 2011

Members Present: Dr. Thomas McGloshen, Dr. Deirdre Petrich, Mr. Tommie Robertson, Mr. John Cranley

Members Absent: Ms. Peggy Volters

Staff Present: Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan, Mr. Jim Rough

Guests Present: None

1. Meeting Called to Order

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

2. Rule Review

The MFTPSC members discussed the proposed rule change on diversity (4757-5-02).

- The Committee was wary of its impact on requiring additional areas for CEU hours or even its applicability to be used as CEU hours for ethics.
 - The Committee clarified with Mr. Rough the necessity of this rule and what exactly, if any, its implications on ethics CEU hours.
 - With this information, the Committee chose to modify the language for clarity and submitted the rule to Mr. Rough to make changes and re-present at a future Board meeting.

3. Director's Report to the Committee

Mr. Rough, Executive Director, gave his report to the MFTPSC.

- Mr. Rough discussed all current legislation relevant to the Board. The Board will need to look for sponsorship within the legislature to introduce the proposed statute changes.
- The Auditor of State's office has completed their audit for FY 2009 and 2010. There were no concerns from their report.
- Mr. Rough is in the process of initiating IT changes to help facilitate savings to the Board.
- There was a public hearing held on January 13, 2011 regarding current draft rules; these rules are subsequently awaiting a JCARR hearing in March.
- Mr. Rough discussed Executive Order #1 from Ohio's new governor, John Kasich. Our Board is in current compliance with its proposals.
- The Committee requested that Mr. Rough begin a cooperative relationship with the Cincinnati Consortium schools to try and facilitate their acceptance of MFT coursework into their curriculum so as to open the licensure up to a broader field of applicants.
- Dr. Petrich inquired as to how one becomes involved with an ad-hoc committee formed by the Board for specific issues or purposes. She expressed interest in joining the ad-hoc Investigations Committee and becoming the Investigations liaison from the MFTPSC Committee, either in conjunction with Ms. Volters or when it is time to elect a new member to the ad-hoc Committee.

4. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Cranley to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m., seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

Tommie L. Robertson
Chairperson of the Marriage and Family Therapist
Professional Standards Committee (MFTPSC)