



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

### **Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee Minutes**

**May 15 & 16, 2008**

**Members Present:**

Mr. Jose Camerino, IMFT, LISW  
Mr. Tommie Robertson, MFT  
Ms. Mary Anne Sharkey Dirck  
Mr. Ken Trivison, IMFT, PCC

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan  
Mr. James Rough

**Guests Present:**

None

The Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee (MFTPSC) meeting was called to order by Ms. Sharkey Dirck, at approximately 9:31 a.m. on May 15, 2008. The meeting took place at the offices of the Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage & Family Therapist Board, and took place over two business days. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:28 a.m. on May 16, 2008.

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**1. Discussion of Agenda:**

A motion was made by Mr. Robertson to approve the agenda, seconded by Ms. Sharkey Dirck. Motion carried.

**2. Approval of January 2008 and March 2008 Minutes:**

- a. A motion was made by Mr. Camerino to approve the minutes of the January board meeting. Seconded by Mr. Trivison. Motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Mr. Trivison to approve the minutes of the March board meeting. Seconded by Mr. Robertson. Motion carried.

**3. Old Business:**

- a. Discussion on Internet Therapy Rule
  - i. The Committee is satisfied with the proposed language as currently revised.

- ii. Committee notes that issues will arise due to falsifying identity/information and risks associated with information omitted as result of lack of in-person interaction.

**4. New Business:**

- a. The members reviewed two requests for licensing examination. The members approved both requests.
- b. The members reviewed one hardship request regarding supervision. The members approved the request as the licensee had maintained the same supervisor since before the supervision requirement changed in November 2006.
- c. Members discussed that a new Chair for both the MFTPSC and full Board will need to be chosen at the July meeting.
- d. Members discussed the possibility of having a listserv of some kind to inform and update current MFT licensees on rule changes, renewal requirements, etc. Executive Director Rough stated this would be too cumbersome to operate and maintain. All pertinent information regarding licensees is updated regularly on the website and available via the newsletter and/or a phone call to our staff.
- e. Members discussed the inefficiency of having overlapping committees that handle the same issues. A suggestion was made to only use the Personnel Committee on an as needed basis, for instance to perform the Director's Review and evaluation, or perhaps even delegate that task to the Executive Committee.

**5. Director's Report to the Committee:**

- a. Mr. Rough, Executive Director, gave an update on the MFT legislative issue.
  - i. Bill 427 passed the House health committee on April 29, 2008.
  - ii. Testimony on the matter began on March 12, 2008.
- b. The Governor's office has several individuals from which to select the new member to the MFTPSC; Mr. Rough has not been informed of an appointee as of this meeting.
- c. The Criminal Records Check went into effect on March 24, 2008 and since that time some inevitable bureaucratic problems have arisen. Current information is being updated to the website and licensure applications as needed.
- d. Per the current Public Records Policy, Mr. Rough discussed each Board member needing to retain certain e-mail correspondence between themselves and Board staff as required by the Public Records Policy. Several ideas were discussed including setting up a separate email account for each Board member specifically to maintain this correspondence.

**6. Meeting Adjourned:**

A motion was made by Mr. Trivison to adjourn the MFTPSC on May 16, 2008 at 10:28 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Robertson; motion carried.