



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

Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee Minutes

May 21 & 22, 2009

Thursday, May 21, 2009

Members Present: Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, PCC
Mr. Tommie Robertson, MFT
Mr. Ken Trivison, IMFT, PCC
Mr. John Cranley, Public Member

Members Absent: Ms. Peggy Volters, IMFT, PCC

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

Guests Present: None

9:05 a.m. – MFTPSC Administrative Denial Hearing

The matter of the eligibility of Danny Sell to be licensed as a marriage and family therapist in the state of Ohio came before the Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee on May 21, 2009. Members present were Mr. Robertson, Mr. Trivison, Dr. McGloshen, and Mr. Cranley.

A Notice of Proposed Opportunity for Hearing was issued to Mr. Sell by the Counselor, Social Worker, & Marriage and Family Therapist Board on July 21, 2008. An administrative hearing was held on May 21, 2009. Assistant Attorney General Melissa Wilburn represented the State. Mr. Sell was not present and not represented by counsel.

Ms. Wilburn requested that the MFTPSC Meeting go into Executive Session at 9:30 a.m. to discuss the denial of Mr. Sell to be licensed as a marriage and family therapist. Accepted By A Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

At 10:00 a.m. Mr. Robertson moved to come out of executive session. Accepted By A Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

The Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee reviewed all the evidence and determined that Mr. Sell will not be licensed as a marriage and family therapist.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Robertson called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

2. Discussion/Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Robertson to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Mr. Cranley. Motion carried.

3. Approval of March 2009 Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Trivison to approve the minutes of the previous board meeting with slight amendments, seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Applications for Licensure

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

MFT -	4 Applications Approved
IMFT-	2 Applications Approved

5. Review of Examination Requests

The members reviewed four requests for licensing examination; two requests were approved and two requests were denied.

6. Review of Hardship Request

The members reviewed one hardship request regarding supervision. The members (with the exception of Mr. Cranley) denied the request because the applicant had not exhausted all possibilities of finding an approved supervisor under the requirements.

7. Director's Report to the Committee

Mr. Rough, Executive Director, discussed the current budget situation.

The Office of Budget and Management (OBM) is requiring all agencies to submit a spending plan for the 2010 fiscal year that includes a 30% cut in all non-payroll expenses. Our Board has been able to present roughly 27% in cuts, including options that may include eliminating two board meetings each year or starting the Thursday meeting at 12:00 p.m. The MFTPSC was in favor of the latter.

The MFT rules from the passage of House Bill 427 are in place as of April 18, 2009. ODMH is in the process of changes to their rules concerning reimbursement as well as the details needed at the federal level. The implementation of reimbursement of Medicaid billing still looks promising for a date of July 1, 2009.

Mr. Rough discussed the continued progression of the Art Therapist legislation. If this legislation were to become law, this group would likely join this Board as another discipline alongside the Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.

8. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Robertson to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m., seconded by Mr. Trivison. Motion carried.

Friday, May 22, 2009

Members Present: Dr. Thomas McGloshen, Mr. Tommie Robertson, Mr. Ken Trivison, Mr. John Cranley

Staff Present: Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan

Guests Present: None

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Robertson called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

2. CEU Committee

Dr. McGloshen reported on the CEU committee meeting of the previous afternoon. He presented an assessment guide the CEU committee adopted to use as a reasonable assist in evaluating programs and/or providers. The CEU committee is going to require that providers offering home study courses must include five post-test questions per hour of CEUs offered as part of the course. Similar to the previous meeting in March, a lively discussion took place within the MFTPSC regarding whether a licensee should be able to bank CEU hours regardless of the two year renewal timeframe. A consensus was not reached on this issue; however, this time, two members (Mr. Robertson and Mr. Cranley) were open to the idea and Dr. McGloshen was asked to take the issue back to the CEU Committee for further discussion and debate.

3. Planning Committee for July

The MFTPSC members added a discussion topic under their list of goals/agenda items to be discussed at the July planning meeting: training supervision requirements for licensees with multiple licenses. The Committee was satisfied with all other topics listed for meeting agenda.

4. Five Year Rule Review

Committee continued reviewing those rules which are part of the 5 year rule review, including most of the MFT rules.

- a. 4757-29-01 (C) (1) (a): Correction to read "...who holds an Ohio license as one of the following: an independent marriage and family therapist..."
- b. 4757-1-07 (C) and (D): simple grammar and linguistic changes to make the wording more clear.

5. ODMH Matrix

The MFTPSC members reviewed the ODMH Matrix and made notations in areas where IMFTs/MFTs are allowed to provide services that are consistent with Counselors and Social Workers.

6. Future Discussion Topics

The first two topics are contingent on the long term growth of the potential MFTs and current IMFTs.

1. Implement a trainee status, similar to that of the Counselors and Social Workers, for MFTs while enrolled in an internship for their degree programs.

2. Implement an IMFT supervision designation, complimentary to such that exists for the PCC and LISW licenses.

3. Now that the primary issue of the MFT legislation has been accomplished, the Committee discussed the role of OAMFT and areas of focus they may concentrate on, in particular, working with colleges/universities in Ohio to raise awareness of license, add more MFT programs, etc.

7. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Robertson to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m., seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

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