



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

Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee Minutes

May 19 & 20, 2011

Thursday, May 19, 2011

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

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 9:08 a.m.

2. Discussion/Approval of Agenda

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

3. Approval of March 2011 Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to approve the minutes of the March 2011 Board meeting, seconded by Ms. Volters. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Applications for Licensure

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

IMFT - 3 Applications Approved

MFT - 3 Applications Approved

5. Review of Examination Requests

The Committee reviewed and approved six requests for licensing examination.

6. 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 has hopefully identified sponsorship within the legislature to introduce the proposed statute changes.
- There are 3 MFTPSC members that are up for re-appointment in October: Dr. McGloshen, Ms. Volters and Mr. Cranley. If any are seeking re-appointment, they were encouraged to complete a new application and submit to the Governor's office.
- A new chairperson of the Board must be chosen in July. Traditionally, this position has rotated between the three professional standards committees. The MFTPSC is next in the rotation. Mr. Robertson is thought to be the likely candidate chosen.
- Mr. Rough discussed the upcoming July planning meeting; committee members were encouraged to review the proposed agenda and suggest additional topics, if desired.
- Mr. Rough discussed all relevant issues connected with the proposed SB5 and its impact on the Board. Scenarios were discussed based on whether the bill will stand as is or be voted down in a possible voter referendum in November.
- The Committee requested that Mr. Rough begin a cooperative relationship with Dr. Parr regarding OAMFT and their involvement in Board meetings and the goal of continued growth of MFTs in Ohio.

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. Petrich to adjourn the meeting at 3:35 p.m., seconded by Ms. Volters. Motion carried.

Friday, May 20, 2011

Members Present: Dr. Thomas McGloshen, Dr. Deirdre Petrich, Mr. Tommie Robertson, Ms. Peggy Volters, 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 9:05 a.m.

2. 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 annual AAMFT Conference is in September in Fort Worth, Texas. The Committee views this as another opportunity to network for our growth. A decision will be made at the July meeting as to which member will attend.
- Ms. Volters brought attention to the issue of confidentiality and ethics as it pertains to MFT sessions, which often contain more than one party. The concept of informed consent and waivers for all parties included were discussed. This issue will be placed on the agenda for the July meeting to continue the discussion.
- Dr. Petrich consulted with Walden University (online school) regarding their MFT program; based on their curriculum and coursework, their MFT degree appears sufficient to gain licensure with this Board.
- Committee member Mr. Cranley will be tasked with contacting CCU (Cincinnati Christian University) as he has mentioned a previous relationship with the current president.
- Committee member Dr. McGloshen has been tasked with contacting the MFT program at Ohio State. The MFTPSC is curious as to the goals of this program and their recruitment techniques.
- The Committee has tasked Mr. Rough to update them on any progress achieved with the Cincinnati Consortium regarding MFT degree program growth.
- The MFT Coordinator, Ms. Adorjan, was tasked to research out of state MFT programs to gain some insight into their requirements. The results are favorable for out of state licensees seeking MFT licensure from Ohio as most states' licensure requirements either meet or exceed Ohio's requirements for MFT licensure. However, any licensee who has held only an Ohio MFT/IMFT license might not be

eligible for licensure in other states based on the post-graduate supervision requirements.

- The Committee also wishes to request and encourage OAMFT to come to Board meetings to discuss growth options.
 - The Committee tasked Mr. Rough with contacting Dr. Parr, president of OAMFT regarding this issue.

3. **Meeting Adjourned**

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m., seconded by Dr. Petrich. Motion carried.

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