



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

Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee Minutes

July 16 & 17, 2009

Thursday, July 16, 2009

Members Present: Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, PCC
Mr. Tommie Robertson, MFT
Mr. Ken Trivison, IMFT, PCC
Ms. Peggy Volters, IMFT, PCC

Members Absent: Mr. John Cranley, Public Member

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

Guests Present: None

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Robertson called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

2. Discussion/Approval of Agenda

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

3. Approval of March 2009 Minutes

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

4. Approval of Applications for Licensure

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

MFT - 1 Application Approved
IMFT- 3 Applications Approved

5. Review of Examination Requests

The members reviewed two requests for licensing examination; both requests were approved.

6. Goldman Reviews (Licensure)

At 12:00 p.m. Mr. Robertson moved to enter into executive session. Accepted By A Unanimous Roll Call Vote. At 12:18 p.m. Committee came out of executive session. Accepted By A Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

Landon Dunn – A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to deny Mr. Dunn’s licensure application for not possessing the educational requirements to sit for the MFT examination. Seconded by Ms. Volters. Mr. Trivison recused himself. Motion carried.

7. Rule Review: Proposed Rule for Fines/Fees

The MFTPSC members discussed the proposed rule to implement fines and fees. The members felt it might be too harsh to impose disciplinary action on a slight first time audit offense. The members consulted with Mr. Hegarty, Deputy Director, to find out the parameters of fining a licensee and were told that a fine would need to be accompanied by a consent agreement. The Committee agreed that they would like to see consent agreements applied to only the most egregious of audit failures. In a related discussion, the members suggested the possibility of auditing a larger percentage of licensees, for instance, 25% a quarter. (Currently 10% of licensees that renew each quarter are audited.)

8. CEU Committee

Dr. McGloshen reported on the CEU committee meeting. Since the previous meeting in May, the issue of banking CEU hours had been discussed at some length. Dr. McGloshen had been asked to take the issue back to the CEU Committee for further discussion and debate. Dr. McGloshen reported to the MFTPSC at this meeting that the CEU Committee is still against the idea of banking CEU hours and the matter is considered closed to further debate, at this time.

9. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Robertson to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m., seconded by Mr. Trivison. Motion carried.

Friday, July 17, 2009

Members Present: Dr. Thomas McGloshen, Mr. Tommie Robertson, Mr. Ken Trivison, Ms. Peggy Volters

Members Absent: Mr. John Cranley

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 9:20 a.m.

2. Executive Session

At 9:26 a.m. Mr. Robertson moved to enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Accepted By A Unanimous Roll Call Vote. At 10:08 a.m. Committee came out of executive session. Accepted By A Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

3. Director's Report to the Committee

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

- The required State of Ohio two hour ethics training will be offered at the September board meeting. The members of the MFTPSC that are slated to attend chose Thursday afternoon from 2-4 p.m.
- Mr. Rough reported that the online renewal system is working very well and approximately only 1% of licensees are requesting the paper renewal form.
- The ODMH rules adding MFTs was effective July 1, 2009. Neither the Board nor ODHM foresees any issues from the federal agency, CMS, regarding the addition of these licensees to the matrix.
- The five year rule review has been filed and a public hearing was held on July 13, 2009. As a result, a few minor changes will be modified and submitted.
- Mr. Rough would like to have the proposed rules regarding fees filed the week following the Board meeting.
- A new "failed to renew" status is set to be implemented in October to the eLicensing system. This new status will more clearly delineate between those active licensees that are able to renew and those licensees eligible to renew that have passed their renewal date.

4. Elect MFTPSC Chair

A motion was made by Ms. Volters to nominate Mr. Robertson to continue as acting chair for the MFTPSC, seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

5. Investigative Liaison

The MFTPSC members discussed Ms. Volters becoming the Committee's investigative liaison. Ms. Volters was eager to take on the role and become more active in the functioning of the Board's ad-hoc committees.

6. Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Ms. Volters to adjourn the meeting at 11:19 a.m., seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

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