

**State of Ohio
Counselor, Social Worker And
Marriage & Family Therapist Board**

Social Worker Professional Standards Committee Minute

November 19, 2004

Meeting was called to order by: Ms. Gwen DaCons-Taylor, Chairperson

Members Present: Mr. Glenn Abraham, Mr. Rocky Black,
Dr. Theresa Cluse-Tolar, and
Ms. Molly Michelbrink

Members Absent: No Members Absent

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Hegarty, Ms. Marcia Holleman,
Mr. Steve Polovick, and Ms. Tammy Tingle

Guests Present: Mr. Henry Lustig - NASW Liaison

1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA

Discussion and approval of Agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2004 MINUTES

Mr. Glenn Abraham / Ms. Molly Michelbrink. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL FOR SWA, LSW AND LISW APPLICATIONS:

SWA	21 Applications Approved
LSW	121 Applications Approved
LSW(R)	12 Applications Approved
LISW	48 Applications Approved

Mr. Glenn Abraham / Mr. Rocky Black. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL FOR INTENTS TO DENY

SWA	1
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Mr. Glenn Abraham / Mr. Rocky Black. Motion carried.

5. INVESTIGATIONS

Dr. Cluse-Tolar recommends the following cases for closure:

0405075	0406103	0406107	0407114	0407116
0407118	0407121	0407126	0407136	0408138
0408139	0408141	0408143	0408148	0408155
0409166	0409167	0409168	0410172	0410174
0410176	0410183			

Seconded by Ms.Molly Michelbrink. Motion carried.

Mr. Glenn Abraham recommends the following cases for closure:

00308117

Seconded by Ms.Molly Michelbrink. Motion carried.

The Board members discussed how the Investigation department categorize and track complaints. Mr. Hegarty and Mr. Polovick explained the process.

Committee went into Executive Session. Roll call taken.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS

Committee approves Consent Agreements for the following:

David Harris - Mr. Glenn Abraham / Ms. Molly Michelbrink. Motion carried. Tracy Lewis - Mr. Glenn Abraham / Ms. Molly Michelbrink. Motion carried.

GOLDMAN HEARINGS

Committee reviewed Goldman Hearings for the following:

Robin Hunt - Mr. Glenn Abraham / Dr. Cluse-Tolar. Motion to deny SWA certification carried. Darla Richardson - Mr. Glenn Abraham / Dr. Cluse-Tolar. Motion to revoke SWA certification carried.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Committee approves Opportunities For Hearings for the following:

Sheila Buell-Crowe - Mr. Glenn Abraham / Ms. Molly Michelbrink. Motion carried. Tracey Keesee - Mr. Glenn Abraham / Ms. Molly Michelbrink. Motion carried.

IMPAIRMENT EVALUATIONS

0406106 - Dr. Cluse-Tolar / Mr. Glenn Abraham. Motion Carried. 0406106 - Dr. Cluse-Tolar / Ms. Molly Michelbrink. Motion Carried. 0409169 - Dr. Cluse-Tolar / Ms. Molly Michelbrink. Motion Carried.

6. DEPUTY DIRECTORS REPORT:

1. The position for Clerical Assistant and Customer Service Assistant has been posted. Dr. Rose Quinones-DelValle, Board Chairperson has approved Mr. Hegarty to finalize the hiring of these positions.
2. Mr. Hegarty reports that the morale of the staff has greatly improved, and that the workflow is much smoother overall.
3. Mr. Hegarty reports that the renewals for January 2005 through June 2005 have been mailed out to licensees.
4. Mr. Hegarty reports that the inputting of the September licenses is behind due to the lack of a Clerical Assistant.
5. Mr. Hegarty reports that the Investigating department is behind in adjudicating licensure cases. Mainly the cases involving Counselors.

7. ASWB:

The ASWB Fall Meeting was held on November 12 - 14, 2004. Ms. Molly Michelbrink attended as the Board Delegate and Ms. Gwen DaCons-Taylor, attended as the Board Alternate. Ms. Molly Michelbrink gave a detailed report on the Fall

Meeting. The Spring Conference will be held in Boston, MA. Ms. Gwen DaCons- Taylor expressed an interest in attending.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Dr. Cluse-Tolar discussed the board's approval for EMDR for continuing education. Research was substantiated for the techniques of EMDR. Therefore, it will not be necessary to have a social worker that performs this technique to come in and discuss the process.
2. Dr. Cluse-Tolar, along with a member from the Counselor, and Marriage & Family Therapist Professional Standards Committees, attended a meeting with the Ohio Department of Mental Health (ODMH). The purpose of this meeting was to discuss concerns from the board with regards to a "treatment program" ODMH has implemented. The client has the potential to become a member of the treatment team, which puts the client on the level of a peer. The concern is what are the boundary issues if this person relapses and then becomes a client again. The board representatives made it clear that the Board will be monitoring this new program.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Mr. Glenn Abram attended the CLEAR conference in Kansas City, MO.

10. **MEETING ADJOURNED:**

Mr. Rocky Black/ Dr. Cluse-Tolar. Motion carried.

Ms. DaCons-Taylor, Chairperson
