

STATE OF OHIO
COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPIST BOARD

JANUARY 16TH, 2004

The regular meeting of the Board was convened at 1:30 PM on January 16th, 2004, by Acting Chairman, Mr. Michael Davis, at the Board offices, 77 S. High St., Columbus, OH. Members present were: Mr. Glenn Abraham, Ms. Linda Barson, Mr. Rocky Black, Ms. Gwendolyn DaCons-Taylor, Mr. Michael Davis, Dr. Susan Huss, Dr. William Mosier, Dr. Rose Quinones-DelValle, Dr. Julianne Serovich, Ms. Mary Anne Sharkey, Mr. Kenneth Trivison and Mr. Jan White. Absent: Dr. Theresa Cluse-Tolar, Ms. Molly Michelbrink, and Mr. Joseph Williams. Staff present: Ms. Laurie Allison, Ms. Rena Elliott, Ms. Beth Farnsworth, Mr. William Hegarty, Ms. Tracey Hosom, Ms. Patricia Miller, Mr. Jason Schutte, Ms. Connie Stansberry and Ms. Tamara Tingle. Also present: Attorney Glennon Karr, Mr. Henry Lustig, NASW and Ms. Lynne Kaufman, Ohio Rehabilitation Association, Ms. Barbara Petrella, Assistant Attorney General.

- I. Discussion and approval of agenda. Mr. Davis moved to accept the agenda, Mr. Abraham seconded. Carried.
- II. Ms. Barson moved to accept the November 21st, 2003, minutes, Ms. Sharkey seconded. Carried.

Election of Board Chair

Ms. Sharkey nominated Mr. Davis as Board Chairman, Dr. Mosier seconded and Dr. Quinones-DelValle moved to close the nominations. Carried. Mr. Davis was elected unanimously.

- III. Executive Director's Report presented by Ms. Farnsworth:

Ms. Farnsworth reported:

- a. A discussion concerning a complaint received from Shaker Heights Youth Center concerning the ethics requirement.
- b. Received a letter from a licensee who attended a training by Harbor Light for one hour and received a certificate for two hours. Several attempts to speak with the agency were made with no response, a letter was then sent requesting the agency to stop offering programs, and notifying them that the approval number was expired. If they wish to continue to

provide programs, each program must be pre-approved each time it is offered, evaluation forms must be submitted after each training and a staff person from the Board may be sent in the future to one of their programs.

- c. Distributed the budget report.
- d. DoubleTree Guest Suites is now offering the \$75.00 state rate, any hotel changes should be directed to Patty Miller.

IV. Legal Update presented by Ms. Petrella:

a. **MOTION:** Mr. Davis moved and Mr. Black seconded the motion that the Board go into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Voting Aye: Mr. Abraham, Ms. Barson, Mr. Black, Ms. DaCons-Taylor, Mr. Davis, Dr. Huss, Dr. Mosier, Dr. Quinones-DelValle, Dr. Serovich, Ms. Sharkey, Mr. Trivison and Mr. White. Voting Nay: None. Motion passes unanimously.

At the conclusion of the discussion the meeting was called back to regular session.

V. Investigative Report presented by Mr. Hegarty:

Mr. Hegarty reported:

- a. There are currently ninety eight cases open: seventy-two social work and twenty-six counselor.
There are thirty new cases: twenty-five social work and five counselor.
- b. The Investigative Unit has traveled to Wilmington, Toledo, Dayton, Wooster, Cincinnati, Ravenna and Mt. Vernon.
- c. Spoke at the AASCB conference.
- d. Thanked Dr. Quinones-DelValle, Mr. Abraham and Dr. Cluse-Tolar for all their hard work with cases.
- e. Thanked Ms. Tingle and Mr. Schutte for all of their hard work, especially with the cases becoming more complex. Thanked Ms. Holleman for her help, and Ms. Stansberry is doing a good job and will be off probation soon. Also, received a thank you note complimenting Ms. Elliott on her hard work.
- f. Four possible hearings are scheduled, two counselor licensure denial, one social work and one counselor disciplinary case for litigation.

- VI. The Marriage and Family Therapist Standards Committee Report was presented by Dr. Serovich:

Dr. Serovich reported:

- a. Re-elected Dr. Serovich as Committee Chair.
- b. Web site was discussed, and Ms. Hosom thanked for all her hard work.
- c. A photo-op is scheduled for April 6, 2004, at 1:00 with the Governor and the first fifteen or twenty new MFT licensees. A small reception will be held afterward.
- d. Dr. Quinones-DelValle moved to approve the MFT report, Ms. Barson seconded. Carried.

- VII. The Social Work Professionals Standards Committee Report was presented by Ms. DaCons-Taylor:

Ms. DaCons-Taylor reported:

- a. The Committee approved minutes and licensure applications.
- b. Closed twelve cases, sent four notices of opportunity for a hearing and two consent agreements.
- c. Ms. Dacons-Taylor was re-appointed to the DARS committee at ASWB.
- d. Ms. DaCons-Taylor and Mr. Abraham will attend the Spring ASWB conference.
- e. The exam name will change May 2004.
- f. Met with an individual practicing without a license.

- VIII. Counselor Professional Standards Committee Report was presented by Dr. Quinones-DelValle.:

Dr. Quinones-DelValle reported:

- a. Dr. Quinones-DelValle was re-elected as Chair.
- b. Portability was discussed.
- c. The counselor licensure exam thru NBCC will begin January 26, 2004.
- d. Ms. Farnsworth was elected to the Executive Board at AASCB and Mr. Davis was elected to the Testing Committee at AASCB.

- e. Approved fifty-seven PC applications and twenty-nine PCC applications.

IX. Old Business: NONE

X. New Business

- a. Mr. Davis suggested having three committees, Executive Committee consisting of the Board Chairs and Executive Director, Continuing Education Committee and a Personnel Committee. Dr. Mosier and Dr. Huss volunteered for the Continuing Education Committee and Ms. Barson, Mr. Abraham and Mr. White volunteered for the Personnel Committee.
- b. Ms. Farnsworth welcomed Mr. White, the new Board member and reported Ms. Michelbrink the other new Board member was unable to attend on such short notice.
- c. Mr. Davis thanked Ms. Farnsworth and staff for their hard work.
- d. The Thursday dinner at the next Board meeting will be Greek cuisine.
- e. Dr. Huss thanked the MFT members for all their hard work.
- f. Ms. Barson stated she enjoyed being a part of the Board.

XI. Adjourned.

- a. Dr. Quinones-DelValle moved, seconded by Dr. Huss. Carried.

Mr. Michael Davis
Chairman