



## *Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board*

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### **State of Ohio Counselor Professional Committee Meeting May 18, 2006**

**Members Present were:** Dr. Randi Cohen, Dr. Susan Huss, Dr. Victoria Kress White, Mr. Jan White and Mr. Joseph Williams.

**Staff present:** Ms. Rena Elliott and Mr. James Rough.

Dr. Huss opened by Counselor Professional Standards Committee meeting at 8:01 a.m.

The Committee adjourned for a counselor denial hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

**1. Application Review:**

- The Committee reviewed and approved 77 PC applications and 43 PCC applications.

**2. Continuing Education:**

- The Committee reviewed all counselor program and provider renewal applications that were provided.

### **State of Ohio Counselor Professional Committee Meeting May 19, 2006**

**Members Present were:** Dr. Randi Cohen, Dr. Susan Huss, Dr. Victoria Kress White, Mr. Jan White and Mr. Joseph Williams.

**Staff present:** Ms. Rena Elliott, Ms. Tracey Hosom and Mr. James Rough.

**Members Absents:** Mr. Jan White

Dr. Huss opened the Counselor Professional Standards Committee meeting at 9:00 a.m.

**Investigator report presented by Mr. William Hegarty:**

Dr. Huss moved, seconded by Dr. Cohen to close the following cases that were presented by Mr. Hegarty: 2005-13, 2205-64, 2005-67, 2005-68, 2005-76, 2006-4, 2006-28, 2006-37, 2006-39, 2006-41, and 2006-51. Motion passed.

**Executive Directors Report:**

Mr. Rough reported that June 2007 is the next five year review date for some rules. Mr. Rough is requesting directions for any rule changes. Mr. Rough asked how the committee wished to proceed. Dr. Huss suggested Mr. Rough & Ms. Elliott review and present to the Counselor Professional Standards Committee proposed changes for the committee's review.

**Discussion surrounding proposed fees and fines:**

The Committee is requesting that whatever fee is set at for a program \$5.00 or \$10.00 per hour that there be consistency amongst all three committees. Example: Not \$5.00 for other committees and \$10.00 for counselor's committee.

The committee accepted the proposed language changes in section 4757.31 of the Ohio Administrative Code that states "May" and not "Shall" making it optional regarding fees, deposit of receipts and vouchers.

There was discussion regarding the board imposing fines on cases that they deem appropriate for ethical violations. Dr. Huss objected to cost for fines. Mr. Carr added once you impose a late fee you cannot impose any other sanctions against licensee. This will need to be completed at this meeting at the full board meeting.

**Budget:**

Mr. Rough reported that the LeVeque Tower is requesting that the board consider moving to the 18<sup>th</sup> Floor due to the fact that another state agency is requesting the entire 14<sup>th</sup> Floor.

Mr. Rough stated the offer would need to be worth the boards before we would consider moving. Plans are being drawn up at this time.

Dr. Cohen moved, seconded by Dr. White to approved agenda as amended. Motion passed.

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Dr. Cohen to approved minutes. Motion passed.

Dr. White moved, seconded Mr. Williams to approve the PC list. Motion passed.

Dr. Cohen moved, seconded Mr. William to approve the PCC list. Motion passed.

Dr. Huss is requesting number of examination packets, counselor trainee approvals, how many applications for endorsement and how many transcripts were reviewed to be presented at the committee meetings.

Dr. Huss recommended that staff add as a standard item for agenda – Renewal Letters from Coordinator.

### **Remediation Plan:**

Dr. Cohen moved, seconded by Mr. William to approve the remediation plan for Christopher Richardson.

### **Correspondence**

Corry Appline-Dr. White moved, seconded by Mr. Williams to deny request to be reimbursed for remedial coursework. Motion passed.

Amy Chichak-Ms. Chichak submitted a supervision agreement form for her internship under the supervision of a PC. The agreement was approved by the board. Dr. Cohen moved, seconded by Dr. White to honor her request and accept entire internship supervision under a PC. Motion passed. Dr. Cohen recommended that the board send a letter to universities stating internship site supervision must be provided by PCCs. Add to checklist and add to supervising counselor designation letters stating that an internship site supervisor must be a PCC.

Cheryl Justice-Dr. White moved, seconded by Dr. Cohen to deny request. In order to become licensed in Ohio Ms. Justice must satisfy all of the educational requirements for licensure.

Laurie Stober-Dr. White moved, seconded by Dr. Cohen to deny request for supervision under an LISW to apply towards PCC training supervision. The Committee requested that staff forward a list of supervising counselor in Hamilton County to Ms. Stober.

Catherine Otto-Dr. White moved, seconded by Dr. Cohen to deny request to be supervised by psychologists for training supervision. Motion passed. You may choose to review the Ohio law regarding endorsement.

### **Old Business**

Supervision-Dr. Cohen reported that there has been a supervision committee established with about 7-8 individuals to serve on this committee. The next scheduled conference call is the 25<sup>th</sup> of May at 1:00 p.m.

Dr. Cohen is to have proposal for the September meeting regarding supervision.

The Chairman has charged each member to review the board rules for any changes or modifications by the July Board meeting and present to the counselor professional standards committee.

Dr. White will contact OMHCA regarding the letter that was sent to the board.

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Dr. White to adjourn meeting. Motion passed.