

**COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST  
BOARD  
COUNSELOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 19, 2004**

**Meeting was called to order by:** Dr. Susan Huss at 9:00 a.m.

**Members present were:** Mr. Michael Davis, Dr. Susan Huss, Dr. Quinones-DelValle, Mr. Jan White and Mr. Joseph Williams.

**Absent:**

**Staff present:** Ms. Rena Elliott, Mr. William Hegarty, and Ms. Patricia Miller.

**Guest present:** Ms. Jean Underfer-Bablis, OCA, Ms. Julie Hatfield, Graduate Student, Walsh University, Counseling Program.

1. **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA:** Dr. Quinones-DelValle moved to accept the agenda with additions, Mr. White seconded. Carried.
2. **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2004, MINUTES:** Mr. White moved to accept the minutes, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried. Dr. Huss discussed the Board members reviewing the minutes for any corrections that may be needed. Dr. Huss welcomed Ms. Underfer-Bablis from OCA.
3. **APPROVAL LIST FOR PC AND PCC APPLICATIONS:** Mr. Davis moved to approve the list of PC applicants with the exception of Mr. Albert Lewis, the Board is requesting an evaluation and Ms. Beth Maurer, the Board is requesting information on what rehabilitation treatment was taken, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried. Mr. White moved to approve the list of PCC applicants with the exception of Ms. Judy Fisher, who did not have enough supervision hours, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.
4. **APPROVAL OF LIST FOR INTENT TO DENY, PC, PCC:** Mr. Davis moved to deny **Ms. Maureen Goldblatt**, a PC license, her degree is in Educational Psychology, Mr. White seconded. Carried.

5. **APPLICATION COORDINATOR REPORT BY MS. ELLIOTT:**

Ms. Elliott reported:

- a. During the month of November one-hundred and three test packets were mailed out. Forty-one new applicants took the exam for the first time and sixteen failed, sixteen applicants took the exam for the second time with six passing and ten failing. No complaints have been received from the testing sites. Mr. Shawn O'Brien, NBCC is requesting a copy of any complaints be sent to him and to be notified of any individual who is not being charged the fee. Mr. Davis will meet with NBCC and AASCB. Mr. Hegarty received a call concerning electrical problems at the testing site, but the individual said the staff was very apologetic, the complaint was also sent in writing. Dr. Huss mentioned to make note of test results from 2003. Mr. Davis will look into getting a summary of test results from NBCC. Dr. Huss requested Ms. Elliott put her report in writing.

6. **INVESTIGATIVE REPORT BY MR. HEGARTY:**

Mr. Hegarty reported:

- a. Distributed cases to be closed.
- b. The counselor hearings are more difficult and so there is a backlog. Mr. Hegarty suggested the Board consider a quorum meet in February for two hearings.

MOTION: Mr. White moved and Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded a motion that the Committee go into executive session. Voting Aye: Mr. Davis, Dr. Huss, Dr. Quinones-DelValle, Mr. White and Mr. Williams. Voting Nay: None. Motion passes unanimously.

The meeting was called back to regular session.

Mr. White moved to deny admission for **Ms. Leah Rogalski** to the PCLE exam, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Dr. Quinones-DelValle moved to deny admission for **Ms. Bonita Roberts** to the PCLE exam, Mr. White seconded. Carried.

Dr. Huss moved to have an impairment evaluation hearing for case #0208107, Mr. White seconded. Carried.

Dr. Huss welcomed Ms. Julie Hatfield, Graduate Student from Walsh University Counseling Program.

- c. A disciplinary hearing report will be included in the January mailing and the transcript will be available in the Board office.
- d. An unlicensed social work practice case in Columbiana county resulted in a \$200.00 fine, twenty hours of community service or thirty days in jail. A thank you letter was sent to Attorney General Jim Petro for his help and for the Assistant Attorney Generals help.

**7. HEARING OFFICER REPORT: None**

**8. DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT BY MR. HEGARTY**

Mr. Hegarty reported:

- a. The staff is doing a great job.
- b. Legislation effecting PCC's by increasing the scope of practice is in a proposed bill.

**9. TESTING REPORT BY MR. DAVIS:**

- a. Summary of test performance from 2003 was completed by Mr. Kurt Taube, but the statistics are incomplete so some of the information is missing.
- c. Five-hundred and seventy-six applicants took the exam, four-hundred and two passed, making the pass rate 69.8% and for first time test takers the pass rate was 74.9%. The school performance statistics will be in a report, test problems continue for African Americans, but the test does not discriminate. Mr. Davis moved to accept the report on the 2003 performance on the PCLE, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.
- d. Mr. Davis moved for each school to be provided with their individual performance on the PCLE and total score and tables 10, 11, 12, and 13 demonstrate performance by content area, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.
- e. When schools get their total data, it will not show what other schools performance rate is, so the schools cannot compare the percent scores to others, but the information is public record. The information will not be mailed but can be requested.
- f. The test result analysis can only be reviewed in the Board office.

- g. Mr. Davis suggested a new Board member be chosen for the Testing Committee since his term is expiring.
- h. Ohio owns numerous items in the testing bank, if Texas no longer exists as a vendor, the items go back to Ohio. The Board is requesting the Deputy Director monitor this.

**10. OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. White moved to approve **Mr. Hanson** for PCC licensure, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Dr. Quinones-DelValle moved to approve **Mr. Robert Oaks** to receive an examination packet, Mr. White seconded. Carried. Mr. Oaks is licensed in Missouri and Virginia, his licensure is endorsement through Virginia.

Mr. Davis moved for Dr. Quinones-DelValle to attend AASCB conference as the delegate and Mr. White as the alternate and for the Board to accept financial responsibility within DAS guidelines, Mr. Williams seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved for Mr. Hegarty to attend the AASCB conference, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis stated the Board's need to deal with National Associations concerning the outcome of the Board's investigation.

**11. NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Davis moved to deny **Ms. Brenda Green's** remediation plan and request she substitute another plan requesting class internship and a course in case conceptualization in planning treatment, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Mr. White moved to deny **Ms. Elizabeth Barr's** request to be exempt from supervision and send a list of supervisors in her area, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Mr. White moved to deny **Ms. Linda Fischbach's** request to be exempt from the 3,000 hours of supervision, Mr. Davis seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved to deny **Ms. Carol Lacy's** request stating internship hours do not meet legal hours and cite the law, Mr. White seconded. Carried.

Mr. White moved to deny **Mr. Thomas Lester's** request to have undergraduate work be counted toward licensure, Mr. Williams seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved to deny **Mr. David Perlaki's** request to be granted two points because of the way questions are asked on the exam, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved to deny **Ms. Linda Pierce's** request for pre-approval of University of Toledo's program. A letter will be sent to University of Toledo informing them it is their decision on what courses are taken, the Board is involved when she submits to take the exam, Dr. Huss seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved to deny **Ms. Sandra Pollino's** request that the clinical portion of the exam be taken again only, but will allow her to retest one more time and if unsuccessful she will need to complete a remediation plan, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved to allow **Mr. Mulk Raj** to take the test again for no fee because of computer failure during the test and for NBCC to be informed, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Mr. White moved to deny request for hardship, and to send a list of supervisors in the Cleveland area, **Ms. Kristina Shriver** appears to be talking about work supervision and not training supervision, the Board will assist if possible, HIPPA seems to be the problem, Mr. Williams seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved to defer **Mr. Steven Zane** until the January Board meeting to review the file, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved to accept **Ms. Eileen Simon's** out of state supervision and request documentation of the three thousand hours of clinical supervision and the supervisors documentation, Mr. White seconded. Carried.

Mr. Davis moved for the Board to investigate the establishment of a policy similar to Florida's with regard to portability licensure and to allow people who do not meet Ohio requirements to practice with a provisional license by Ohio and the Board to set up specifics, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried. Mr. Davis will work with Ms. Elliott on this task.

Received a letter documenting changes and **Methodist Theological School** seems to be working hard to make these changes work.

Mr. White moved that **Bowling Green State University Rehabilitation Program** is compliant with Ohio licensure requirements so a letter be sent to BGSU Rehabilitation Program indicating practicum must be one hundred hours and internship must be six hundred hours which includes the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders, and supervision by a PC or PCC who has supervision status by the Board, Dr. Quinones-DelValle seconded. Carried.

Dr. Huss moved that transcripts must reflect sixty hours and not fifty-nine hours and a letter be sent out to the schools, Mr. Davis seconded. Carried.

Ms. Underfer-Bablis stated that individuals working in the field want to see who has supervision designation. Dr. Huss and Ms. Elliott will discuss how to find out if licensees are supervisors or not and call, fax or email the list to Ohio Counseling Association.

Ms. Underfer-Bablis requesting continuing education be overseen by OCA. Mr. Davis stated that the law prohibits this.

Mr. Davis reported to remove the ability for Marriage and Family Therapists to diagnosis and treat is being introduced in a bill and the Board needs to become involved since counseling and social work is so closely related.

**12. ADJOURNED:**

Mr. Davis moved, Dr. Huss seconded. Carried.

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Dr. Susan Huss  
Chairperson