



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

**Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee
Minutes**

September 19-20, 2013

Thursday, September 19, 2013

Members Present: Ms. Margaret Knerr, IMFT
Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, PCC
Dr. Alan Demmitt, IMFT, PCC
Ms. Stephanie McCloud, Public Member

Staff Present: Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan, Mr. Jim Rough

Guest Present: Mr. Rick Carter, OAMFT Board member

1. Meeting Called to Order

Ms. Knerr called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

2. Discussion/Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. McCloud to amend the agenda (to include an executive session to discuss personnel issues on employment matters), seconded by Ms. Knerr. A motion was then made by Dr. McGloshen to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Ms. McCloud. Motion carried.

3. Approval of July 2013 Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. McGloshen to amend the minutes for a few minor typographical errors, seconded by Ms. McCloud. A motion was then made by Ms. McCloud to approve the amended minutes of the July 2013 Board meeting, seconded by Dr. Demmitt. Motion carried.

4. Director's Report to the Committee

The Committee discussed the Executive Director's Report.

- The site visits conducted at the July meeting were considered helpful and the Committee would like to continue these annually but not in July and not as part of the annual planning meeting. Perhaps the site visits could take place in March to allow discussion at the May meeting and before the July planning meeting. It was suggested that more of the Board staff attend these visits, including the Investigations unit.
- Legislation matters:
 - Committee wished to ask Mr. Rough the status of HB 232 and what if anything, the Committee needed to do in furtherance of its success. When Mr. Rough spoke to the MFTPSC, he suggested that OAMFT contact their lobbyist.
- The Committee will begin reviewing the rules contained in the 5 year rule review and place these on the agenda for the November meeting.
- ODMH filed a change to add CPST services under the approved services billable by licensed MFTs and IMFTs without using the OMHS title. As of mid-September, Ohio Medicaid had finished its part and the changes had been submitted to CMS (the federal branch of Medicaid).
- The Committee discussed the proposed rule on Cultural Competency that was denied by JCARR and inquired of Mr. Rough the specifics regarding this matter.

5. Discussion Issues

New Business

- In the interest of furthering continuity with the CPSC and SWPSC, the MFTPSC decided to remove the words "arrested, charged or" from question 15 on Section D of the licensure application. Ms. McCloud made a motion to remove said language and for the MFT Coordinator to revise the application. Motion was seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

Online Continuing Education

- The Committee discussed lowering the number of CEUs obtainable via distance learning. Dr. McGloshen made a motion to lower the maximum number of hours obtained via distance learning to fifteen and

tasked the MFT Coordinator to draft a revised rule. Motion was seconded by Ms. McCloud. Motion carried.

MFT License

- The Committee reviewed the practicum/internship evaluation form and made some slight revisions. The supervision verification evaluation form will need to be reviewed at the November meeting.
- The Committee decided to remove information from the website which detailed programs at Wright State University and Walden University regarding potential MFT licensure eligibility. Because it is too cumbersome to monitor non-COAMFTE approved programs, the Committee will speak only to the veracity of programs that are COAMFTE accredited.

6. Approval of Applications for Licensure

A motion was made by Ms. McCloud to approve the following applications for licensure, seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

IMFT - Two Applications Approved

MFT - Four Applications Approved

7. Review of Examination Requests

The Committee reviewed and approved two requests for licensing examination.

8. Review of Supervision Hardship Request

The members reviewed a request for supervision hardship. The Committee denied the request as there was evidence of an approved supervisor available and financial considerations were deemed not a reason for hardship.

Friday, September 20, 2013

Members Present: Ms. Margaret Knerr, IMFT
Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, PCC
Dr. Alan Demmitt, IMFT, PCC
Ms. Stephanie McCloud, Public Member

Staff Present: Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan

1. **Meeting Called to Order**

Ms. Knerr re-convened the meeting at 9:14 a.m.

2. **Discussion Issues**

Online Continuing Education

- The Committee reviewed the revised rule 4757-9-04 (E) Clock hours for continuing education that was discussed at yesterday's meeting. Ms. McCloud made a motion to submit the revised draft rule for filing. Motion was seconded by Dr. McGloshen. Motion carried.

Correspondence

- Committee reviewed correspondence from a licensee that wanted to begin training supervision toward her independent MFT license. She wanted to confirm that her job duties met the requirement for practice of marriage and family therapy. The Committee reviewed her job description and agreed, that based on such, the licensee is practicing marriage and family therapy and therefore may proceed with training supervision.
- Correspondence from two IMFT licensees regarding provider/program approval for continuing education was reviewed. The licensees were discouraged that there are not a multitude of CEUs for MFTs in Ohio. The Board tasked the MFT Coordinator to respond that while the Committee shares their concerns, a lack of MFT approved providers and programs in Ohio can be attributed to reluctance on the part of providers to apply for approval and not repeated denials by the Board.

Board Member Training

- The Committee reviewed a presentation created by the MFT Coordinator, at the request of Ms. Knerr, to assist new Board members with a minimal amount of training upon their appointment to the Board. The Committee was in favor of the training. Ms. Knerr stated she will suggest that the CPSC and SWPSC review the training and provide feedback. She will ask that this matter be placed on the Executive Committee Agenda for November.

ACA Code of Ethics

- Committee reviewed the ACA Code of Ethics sections that pertain to supervisee-supervisor relationships and student-educator relationships.
- The Committee showed interest in possibly amending this Board's rules to include these sections; however, the Committee first would like to ascertain what the thoughts are of the CPSC and the SWPSC and also take the time to compare the AAMFT Code of Ethics with the CSWMFT ethics section.

3. Working Meeting

The MFTPSC proceeded with a working meeting to review CEU Programs and Providers.

4. Executive Session

At 10:55 a.m. Ms. Knerr moved to enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues on employment matters. Accepted by a Roll Call Vote – Ms. Knerr –aye, Dr. McGloshen–aye, Ms. McCloud– aye, Dr. Demmitt—aye. At 11:17 a.m. Committee came out of executive session. Accepted By A Unanimous Roll Call Vote.

5. Meeting Adjourned

Ms. Knerr adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Ms. Margaret Knerr, IMFT
Chairperson of the Marriage and Family Therapist
Professional Standards Committee (MFTPSC)