



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

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

**November 20 & 21, 2008**

**Members Present:**

Mr. Jose Camerino, IMFT, LISW  
Mr. Tommie Robertson, MFT  
Mr. Ken Trivison, IMFT, PCC

**Members Absent:**

Dr. Thomas McGloshen, IMFT, PCC  
Ms. Mary Anne Sharkey Dirck

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Margaret-Ann Adorjan  
Mr. James Rough  
Mr. Bill Hegarty

**Guests Present:**

None

The Marriage and Family Therapist Professional Standards Committee (MFTPSC) meeting was called to order by Mr. Robertson, at approximately 9:25 a.m. on November 20, 2008. The meeting took place at the offices of the Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage & Family Therapist Board, and took place over two business days. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:26 a.m. on November 21, 2008.

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**1. Discussion of Agenda:**

A motion was made by Mr. Robertson to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Camerino. Motion carried.

**2. Approval of September 2008 Minutes:**

- a. A motion was made by Mr. Robertson to amend the minutes from the previous board meeting; seconded by Mr. Camerino. Minor linguistic and formatting corrections needed to be made.
- b. A motion was made by Mr. Camerino to approve the amended minutes of the previous board meeting; seconded by Mr. Trivison. Motion carried.

**3. Old Business:**

Five Year Rule Review

- a. Committee continued reviewing those rules which are part of the 5 year rule review, including most of the MFT rules. A few questions have come up for discussion.
  - i. 4757-25-05 Marriage and Family Therapist Temporary license: MFTPSC questions the goal of the temporary license and perhaps, the necessity of its existence. Should a temporary license be issued to an applicant awaiting the examination or issued only to those whom have passed the exam but are awaiting official licensure?
  - ii. Should the Committee allow applicants to be licensed between board meetings given that all criteria have been met?
  - iii. In keeping with the idea of similarities among the three committees, the MFTPSC is considering allowing applicants to sit for the licensing examination in the last quarter or semester of their (COAMFTE-approved) program.
- b. Committee will continue to review all rules for the five year review at future meetings.

**4. New Business:**

- a. The committee reviewed and agreed to license five applicants for the IMFT credential and three applicants for the MFT credential.
  - i. One applicant was provisionally licensed pending the receipt of a BCII background check.
  - ii. A motion was made by Mr. Camerino to license these nine individuals. Seconded by Mr. Trivison.
  - iii. The names of those licensed on November 21, 2008 are listed below:

Ms. Patricia Schuler	M.0800014	Effective 11/21/08
Ms. Erica Staas	M.0800012	Effective 11/21/08
Ms. Desiree Weaver	M.0800011	Effective 11/21/08
Ms. Laura Demetrician	F.0800009	Effective 11/21/08
Ms. Stephanie Heck	F.0800010	Effective 11/21/08
Ms. Carrie Keith	F.0800006	Effective 11/21/08
Mr. Frank Skwara	F.0800007	Effective 11/21/08
Ms. Guillermina Valdes-Guevara	F.0800003	Effective 11/21/08
Ms. Caprice-Ann Parkinson	F.0700012	Effective 12/11/08

- b. The members reviewed and approved three requests for licensing examination.
- c. Committee discussed and agreed to a slight revision of proposed language in HB 427 to facilitate its passage in the Senate.
- d. Committee discussed Executive Meeting Planning Goals

- i. Committee discussed possible dates for the next strategic planning meeting
  - ii. Suggestion was to follow previous format of having the meeting in July and use the Thursday afternoon and evening of the regularly scheduled Board meeting dates
- e. Committee held discussion on a future IMFT supervision designation, similar to the PCC-S and LISW-S.
  - i. Some questions raised included what type of qualifications/criteria would be required to obtain such a designation.
  - ii. Also discussed was a possible “super” designation someday, above and beyond current supervision designations for one’s particular license type. The idea would be that this designation would allow a PCC-S, LISW-S, or IMFT-S to supervise any of the other license disciplines.

**5. Director’s Report to the Committee:**

- a. Mr. Rough, Executive Director, gave an update on the MFT legislative issue.
  - i. Bill 427 passed the House on May 22, 2008.
  - ii. Mr. Rough discussed with the Committee the need to review and revise certain language to facilitate the bill’s passage in the Senate.
  - iii. If the revisions are included and approved, the bill may be passed before the end of the year.
- b. Mr. Rough is still awaiting information relating to the reappointments of Ms. Sharkey Dirck and Mr. Camerino to the MFTPSC.
- c. Mr. Rough reviewed the new email policy with the Committee members and provided clarification on how messages should be documented and retained according to said policy.
- d. Mr. Rough reviewed the travel policy as it pertains to Board members. Expense reports must be submitted within thirty days of travel date. Mr. Robertson suggested allowing sixty days for submittal. Mr. Rough agreed to check with CSA to see if this change could be made but acknowledged this is unlikely.
- e. Mr. Rough discussed the laws and rules exam that has been created on the website. He would like to release it now for CEU credit for licensees and after reviewing its effectiveness, release the exam as requirement for licensure by April 1, 2009, if possible.

**6. Meeting Adjourned:**

A motion was made by Mr. Trivison to adjourn the MFTPSC on November 21, 2008 at 11:26 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Camerino; motion carried.

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Mary Anne Sharkey Dirck  
 Chairperson of the Marriage and Family Therapist  
 Professional Standards Committee (MFTPSC)