

State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners

April 12, 2001

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Board Chairman James Verser at 9:10 am in the Monmouth Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ.

B. ROLL CALL

Present:

Board Chairman James Verser
Board Vice Chair Florence Schatten
Board Member Samira Haddad
Board Member Nancy Hodges
Board Member Steven Kovel
Board Member J. David Niemeyer
Board Member Edward Reading
Board Member Edward W. Stroh
Board Member Ronald K. Walthall

Absent:

Board Member Barbara Andrews

Staff Present:

Executive Director Dennis E. Gonzalez
Deputy Attorney General John Hugelmeyer

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PUBLIC SESSION OF MARCH 8, 2001

On a motion by R. Walthall, seconded by S. Kovel the minutes of the public session of March 8, 2001 were approved with corrections.

D. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by R. Walthall, the Board approved the comprehensive changes to the Professional Counselor's regulations.

Board discussed with Regulatory Analyst Danielle Swenson regulations on Continuing Education. Discussion will continue at next meeting

E. OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Verser briefed Board on his presentation on the licensing process to graduate students and faculty at Seton Hall University.

Chairman Verser shared with Board his memo to Director Herr on behalf of the Board expressing the Board@s opposition to the public disclosure statement on the form. Director Herr has not responded to memo.

F. NEW BUSINESS

MFT Exam - The Board was informed that the Marriage and Family Therapy Exam will be administered by PES Friday, May 11, 2001. Chairman Verser requested Staff to determine possibility of holding MFT Exam twice a year.

Ethics Committee Report - F. Schatten asked Board members to review the revised Code of Ethics of the AAMFT for a discussion at the next meeting.

G. CORRESPONDENCE

George Bonnell _ Mr. Bonnell wrote inquiring as to how long he must keep a file after he has seen a client. Board instructed the ED to respond that he must keep client records/files for 7 years from the date of last contact with that client.

H. REVIEW OF CREDENTIALS

George Cohen - Board requested that Mr. Cohen provide documentation of Florida license and provide documentation of course work taken in MFT and/or classes taught in MFT.

Maria de Pilar Hernandez - On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by S. Kovel, Ms. Hernandez was granted a license.

Nonie Nicholas - On a motion by R. Walthall, seconded by N. Hodges, Ms. Nicholas was granted a license.

Brett Novich - On a motion by E. Reading, seconded by S. Kovel, Mr. Novich was granted an MFT license.

Marylee Sanders - On a motion by F. Schatten, seconded by N. Hodges, Ms. Sanders was granted a license.

MFT Exam - On a motion by S. Kovel, seconded by D. Neimeyer the following individuals were approved to take the MFT exam:

David Androla; Katherine Speiser; Ken McGill

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by S. Kovel, seconded by E. Reading, Board went into Executive Session to discuss a new complaint.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 A.M.