

**State Board of Marriage And Family Therapy Examiners
Open Session**

November 14, 2002

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by the Board Chair Florence Schatten, who read the notice of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

B. ROLL CALL

Present:

Board Chair Florence Schatten
Board Member Roland A. Alum
Board Member Barbara Andrews
Board Member Samira Haddad
Board Member Edward Reading
Board Member James Verser
Board Member Ronald Walthall

Staff Present:

Executive Director Dennis E. Gonzalez
Deputy Attorney General Marilyn Bair
Deputy Attorney General Susan Carbone

C. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2002

On a motion by J. Verser, seconded by E. Reading, the minutes of October 10, 2002 were approved with corrections.

D. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

Board members were given as an FYI a copy of Assembly Bill # 2264 which requires criminal background checks for health care professionals as a condition of initial licensure.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Carroll Arkema - Mr. Arkema wrote the Board requesting a reconsideration of his application for licensure which was denied the previous month. Board member R. Walthall recused himself from discussion on this matter. The Board discussed and agreed to reconsider Mr. Arkema's application if he provides confirmation that the institution from which he graduated, Blanton-Peale Graduate Institute, was COAMFTE approved at the time he entered in 1979 and at the time he graduated in 1983.
2. Diana Laugelli - Ms. Laugelli provided the Board with proof that she did not request a renewal of her permit in 2000 when it expired because of medical reasons. On a motion by J. Verser, seconded by E. Stroh, the Board voted to grant Ms. Laugelli a three year permit once she submits a supervision plan.

F. NEW BUSINESS

MFT Statutes and Regulations Book - Board members received a memo from Print Production Unit with two cost

quotes regarding the statutes and regulations book. One cost quote was for just the printing and the other quote included postage and handling. After Board discussion, this matter was tabled until the next meeting.

G. CREDENTIAL REVIEW

1. Cornelia Citro - On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by R. Walthall, the Board voted to grant Ms. Citro a license.
2. Heather DiDomenico - On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by R. Walthall, the Board voted to grant Ms. DiDomenico a temporary three year license pending submission of a supervision plan and certain corrections on her experience form which were indicated in a letter to her.
3. Erika Hollander - On a motion by R. Walthall, seconded by J. Verser, the Board voted to grant Ms. Hollander a three year permit pending submission of a supervision plan.

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

J. NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Board will be December 12, 2002 at 9:00 a.m., 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by R. Alum, seconded by E. Reading, the Board went into Executive Session.

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis E. Gonzalez
Executive Director
