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BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **JANUARY 9, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER

This scheduled meeting of the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners was called to Order by Chair Ben Beitin at 9:55 a.m., in the Hudson Room 124 Halsey Street, 6th floor, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Board Chair, Ben Beitin, Ph.D, LMFT
Board Vice-Chair, Jose Perez, LMFT
Board Member, Edward Reading, Ph.D, LCADC (*Alcohol & Drug Committee Liason*)
Board Member, Ketrin Saud-Maxwell, LPC (*Professional Counselor Committee Liason*)

Excused:

Board Member, Eileen Thornton
Executive Director, Milagros Collazo

Also Present:

Deputy Attorney General, Shirley Dickstein
Government Rep., Michela Ross
Regulatory Analyst, Rachel Glasgow
Administrative Staff, Celeste Paige

Announcement of Quorum

Board Chair, Ben Beitin announced a quorum is present at 9:56 a.m.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mail to the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, The Newark Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Bergen Record and the Courier Post. Adequate notice of this meeting was also posted on the Board's web page.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. December 12, 2013 Public Minutes

Upon motion by Edward Reading, seconded by Jose Perez, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2013 public meeting of the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners as amended. Voting in favor: all

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Rhoda Ondov, Legislative Chairperson, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT-NJ)

Ms. Ondov attended the January 9, 2014 meeting.

B. Stacey Einziger, LMFT applicant

Ms. Einziger came before the Board to request a copy of her exam question distribution and to inquire if she is able to continue working in her place of employment with her “pending” status. *The Board informed Ms. Einziger that her matter is confidential and that her correspondence is on the executive agenda for Board review.*

V. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Nothing to report.

VI. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

Nothing to report.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

None to report.

VIII. AAMFT/NJAMFT MATTERS

The Board informed the new examination is in place with an additional section related to crisis counseling. AAMFT has postponed using the DSM-5 and reported it will continue to use the DSM-IV indefinitely.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. MFT Regulations Committee

The regulations sub-committee will be meeting on January 31, 2014 in preparation for Sunset in 2016.

B. Alcohol and Drug Counselors

The Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee regulations sub-committee will be meeting January 9, 2014 in preparation for Sunset in 2016.

C. Professional Counselors

The Professional Counselors regulations sub-committee will be meeting on January 13, 2014 in preparation for Sunset in 2016.

D. E-therapy/Internet Counseling Comm

Nothing to report.

X. NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

XII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **February 13, 2013** at 9:30 a.m., Hudson Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

2014 Meeting Dates:

March 13, 2014	August 14, 2014
April 10, 2014	September 11, 2014
May 8, 2014	October 9, 2014
June 12, 2014	November 13, 2014
July 17, 2014	December 11, 2014

XIII. APPLICATION REVIEW

A. Three Year Temporary Permit

Upon motion by Ben Beitin, seconded by Jose Perez, the Board voted to approve the recommendations below. Voting in favor: all.

Hae Ryung Choi - approved

B. APPROVALS MFT

Upon motion by Ben Beitin, seconded by Jose Perez, the Board voted to approve the recommendations below. Voting in favor: all.

Kimberly McCartney - approved

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion by Edward Reading, seconded by Jose Perez, the Board moved to Executive Session at 10:20 a.m.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Jose Perez, seconded by Edward Reading, the Board returned to Public Session and voted to adjourn the January 9, 2014 at 1:09 p.m. Voting in favor: all.

