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PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Board was called to Order at 9:58 a.m., 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Board Chair, Ben Beitin
Board Member, Jose Perez
Board Member, Edward Reading

Excused:

Eileen Thornton
Ketrin Saud Maxwell

Also Present:

Jodi Krugman, Deputy Attorney General
Terri Goldberg, Acting Executive Director
Celeste Paige, Administrative Assistant

Board Chair, Ben Beitin announced a quorum.

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 mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Newark Star Ledger, the Courier Post and the Board's web page.

III. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES

On a motion by Edward Reading, seconded by Jose Perez, the public minutes of February 9, 2012 were approved as amended.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rhoda Ondov, New Jersey Association of Marriage and Family Therapy attended the meeting. She awaits the supervision requirement amendment.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Laura Turk

The Board reviewed the e-mail submitted by Laura Turk who requested clarification regarding the minimum/maximum actual number marriage and family therapy contact hours per week. Ms. Turk will be informed that three years of work experience is required and that a calendar year is defined as 1,500 hours which does not allow for more than 20 hours per week of phone contact and 4 hours of supervision per week.

B. James Szaloczy

The Board reviewed the e-mail submitted by Mr. Szaloczy who requested clarification regarding the reciprocity of a social work license into a marriage and family therapy license.

The Board determined to inform Mr. Szaloczy that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:8-18 an individual who has a Licensed Clinical Social Worker credential and has 5 years of marriage and family work experience may submit an application for marriage and family therapy licensure consideration.

VI. AAMFTRB/NJAMFT MATTERS

Continuing Psychology Education

The Board reviewed two e-mails regarding the workshops with the Continuing Psychology Education group. The Board determined to inform the writer to contact the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) to verify which courses have actually received approval.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

License Renewal 2012-2014

The Board reviewed a draft of the 2012-2014 license renewal form and determined to allow continuing education question #3 to remain on the renewal application.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee

The Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee announced plans to present a workshop on the licensure process. The workshop is scheduled to take place at Monmouth University April 2012.

X. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **April 12, 2012** at 9:30 a.m., Hudson Room, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

2012 Meeting Dates

April 12, 2012	September 13, 2012
May 10, 2012	October 11, 2012
June 14, 2012	November 8, 2012
July 12, 2012	December 13, 2012
August 9, 2012 (<i>canceled</i>)	

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Ben Beitin, seconded by Edward Reading the Board moved to Executive session at 10:35 a.m.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Ben Beitin, seconded by Ben Beitin, the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

