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BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES MARCH 13, 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 9:50 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

Also Present:

Deputy Attorney General, Shirley Dickstein
Executive Director, Milagros Collazo
Government Rep., Michela Ross
Regulatory Analyst, Rachel Glasgow
Administrative Staff, Celeste Paige
Deputy Attorney General, Nancy Miller (arrived at 10:09 a.m./left at 11:50 a.m.)

Announcement of Quorum

Board Chair, Ben Beitin announced a quorum is present at 9:50 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. January 9, 2014 Public Minutes

Upon motion by Edward Reading, seconded by Jose Perez, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2014 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)**
- B. Chris DeSilvestri, LMFT applicant**
- C. Karisma Jamin, AAMFT- NJ**

V. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Licensing Activity Report - Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners

Active	592
Inactive	167
Pending	155
Reinstatements Pending	11
Suspended	3
Voluntary Surrender	3
Withdrawn	2
3-year permits	97
1-year permits	1

Licensing Activity Report - Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee

	LCADC	CADC
Active	1732	734
Inactive	84	39
Pending	335	327
Reinstatements Pending	4	3
Suspended	4	2
Voluntary Surrender	2	5
Withdrawn	27	23

Licensing Activity Report - Professional Counselors

	LAC	PC	LRC
Active	1151	3270	125
Expired	305	764	170
Inactive	39	280	43
Pending	715	558	10
Reinstatements Pending	4	5	6
Suspended	1	4	0
Voluntary Surrender	0	12	1
Withdrawn	7	10	0

VI. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

A. Petition for Rulemaking N.J.A.C 13:34C-6.2,6.2A, and 6.3

The Board reviewed the proposal submitted for the Alcohol and Drug Committee regulations. *Upon motion by Jose Perez, seconded by Ketrin Saud-Maxwell, the Board voted to accept this proposal. Voting in favor: all.*

B. 2012-2013 Report on Pamphlet Laws

The Board viewed the list of Pamphlet Laws. *The Board accepted this as information.*

C. Senate Bill 681 - This Bill seeks to provide for issuance of certificate of rehabilitation to certain offenders with substance abuse disorders. *Upon motion by Jose Perez, seconded by Edward Reading, the Board voted to support this Bill with the language clarification that the individual during the evaluation should be a mental health professional who is licensed at a clinical level and have training in addictions. Voting in favor: all.*

D. Assembly Bill 1254 - This Bill requires certain civil actions against certain licensed persons to be brought within two years. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

E. Senate Bill 1545 - This Bill revises law concerning certain professional and occupational licenses. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

F. Custody/Parenting Time Evaluations - N.J.A.C 13:42-13

The Board was informed that this regulation is scheduled to go into affect in April 2014.

G. Senate Bill 682 - This Bill establishes process to bar certain health care providers from receiving reimbursement under PIP. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Paige Murtagh

The Board reviewed Ms. Murtagh's January 17, 2014 email. *The Board directed Ms. Murtagh to refer her questions to NJ-AMFT.*

B. Danielle Forshee, LCSW

The Board reviewed Ms. Forshee's February 17, 2014 letter inquiring if video conferencing would be considered face-to-face supervision. *The Board determined to inform Ms. Forshee that face-to-face supervision must take place in the same room and not over video conferencing.*

C. Alice Piscadlo

The Board reviewed Ms. Piscadlo's request for an extension of her 3-year temporary permit. *The Board determined to inquire with Ms. Piscadlo to provide information as to how many hours she has accrued, her plan to accrue the remaining hours, and where she is currently employed?*

D. Rhoda Ondov

The Board reviewed Ms. Ondov's February 25, 2014 request for an extension of her 3-year temporary permit. *The Board determined to inform Ms. Ondov that if she is working in an exempt setting under proper supervision and she does not need a permit to continue working in that setting pursuant to N.J.S.A 45:8B-6(a) and 6(a)3.*

VIII. AAMFT/NJAMFT MATTERS

- A.** The Board reviewed the January 24, 2014 letter regarding consideration for involvement in revisions to the 2016 Regulations sunset. *The Board determined to table this matter.*

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. MFT Regulations Committee

The regulations sub-committee will be meeting on March 14, 2014 in preparation for Sunset in 2016.

B. Alcohol and Drug Counselors

The Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee regulations sub-committee has met in preparation for Sunset in 2016.

C. Professional Counselors

Members of the Professional Counselors Committee will be presenting at the New Jersey Counseling Association's annual conference in April of 2014. The Professional Counselors regulations sub-committee will be meeting on April 11, 2014 in preparation for Sunset in 2016.

D. E-therapy/Internet Counseling Comm

Nothing to report.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** The Committee reviewed a draft of the proposed questions for the 2014-2016 license renewal application.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

- A.** The Board reviewed AMFT's request to be part of the appointment process.

XII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **April 10, 2014** at 9:30 a.m., Hudson Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

2014 Meeting Dates:

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

Tiffany Campbell - 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.

Jonathan Smith - approved

C. Examination Approval

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

Meghan Aborn - approved

Jolene Bredrick - approved

D. Supervision Report

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

Kathleen Bishop - approved

William Campbell - approved

Karishma Jain - approved

Terese Messina - approved

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion by Jose Perez, seconded by Ketrin Saud-Maxwell, the Board moved to Executive Session at 11:53 a.m.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Jose Perez, seconded by Ketrin Saud-Maxwell, the Board returned to Public Session and voted to adjourn the March 13, 2014 at 1:17 p.m. Voting in favor: all.

