



State of Nevada
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MEETING MINUTES

Friday, June 13, 2014
Nevada State Board of Examiners for Marriage and
Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors
9436 West Lake Mead Boulevard #11-J
Las Vegas, Nevada 89134-8342

- I. Call to order/Roll Call – Meeting called to order at 09:00 A.M. by Dr. Colleen Peterson, President. Also present was Ms. Joan Winkler, Vice President; Mr. Richard Harrison, Secretary/Treasurer; Dr. Donald Huggins, Member; Dr. Katherine Unthank, Member; Mr. Hal Taylor, Member; Dr. Jeanne E. Griffin, Member; Ms. Rose Marie Reynolds, Deputy Attorney General (DAG); Ms. Sophie Long, Deputy Attorney General (DAG); and Mr. Raymond E. Smith Sr., Executive Director (ED). Public members in attendance were Ms. Sutherland – Mother of Cheryl Sutherland, MFT-Intern; Ms. Melissa Wadsworth, MFT-Intern applicant; Ms. Helen Harvey, Applicant; Ms. Marilyn Pickeye for Helen Harvey; Ms. Jennifer Stepp, MFT-Intern; Dr. Shannon Smith, NV CPC; Mr. Oscar Sida, CPC-Intern; Mr. Aaron Stagg, and Mr. Michael Franklin, CPC-Intern Applicant. Board Members absent were Mr. Erik Schoen, Member and Ms. Sean Gamble, Member.
- II. Public Comment – There was no public comment.
- III. Dr. Griffin moved to approve Meeting Minutes for 4/4/2014. Seconded by Mr. Harrison. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Winkler moved to approve Meeting Minutes for 4/18/2014 with corrections. Seconded by Mr. Harrison. Motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Dr. Peterson passed the chairing of the Board Meeting to Ms. Winkler and recused herself on this matter because she was the investigating Board Member on this case.

Ms. Winkler had Ms. Reynolds (DAG), as prosecuting attorney, to give the details of case to the Board; and read the Stipulation brought before the Board for consideration.

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Mr. Taylor moved to accept the Stipulation submitted on behalf of Mr. Ian Pincombe, who is still incarcerated pending trial, stipulating that Mr. Pincombe's Marriage and Family Therapist – Intern (MFT-Intern) license is and will remain in Summary Suspension until there is a formal hearing or other Board action. This Board Hearing is asked to continue until 60 days after the criminal case is resolved whereby a hearing will be required 45 days after. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Motion made by Dr. Griffin to approve Mr. Michael Elterman as a Clinical Professional Counselor – Interim Permit under the supervision of Dr. Cynthia Baldwin. Seconded by Dr. Unthank. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Ms. Eisenlohr withdrew her application and requested to be put on the next Board agenda

Motion was made by Dr. Unthank to accept Mr. Aaron Stagg's passing exam score and internship hours and approve him as a Marriage and Family Therapist. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Dr. Unthank moved to approve Ms. Helen Harvey's petition for the Board to accept her Nevada State Background check without the Federal Background Check portion to meet the Background Check requirement due to her unique extenuating circumstances. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Motion was made by Dr. Griffin to deny Dr. Suzanne Faust's petition for the Board to include the "Ph.D." designation on the MFT and CPC licenses of qualified licensees. Mr. Harrison and Mr. Taylor both seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Ms. Winkler moved to approve the following extensions to MFT and CPC internships, as listed except Ms. Arlene Kaufman. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed.

ED requested the Board table Ms. Kaufman for further administrative review.

Ms. Alexandra Goodman	MFT-Intern	(approved)	corr: (Prim Supv – Murphy)
Ms. Christy Van Nest	MFT-Intern	(approved)	corr: (Prim Supv – Rowe)
Mr. James Dart	MFT-Intern	(approved)	
Ms. Tracy Moore	MFT-Intern	(approved)	
Ms. Arlene Kaufman	MFT-Intern	(tabled)	
Mr. John Phipps	MFT-Intern	(approved)	
Ms. Angelina Virella	CPC-Intern	(approved)	

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- X. Dr. Griffin moved to accept Ms. Mary Aroyan’s notification of termination of her Internship due to relocation to CA. Mr. Harrison seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- XI. Mr. Harrison moved to accept Ms. Rowena Laino’s notification of termination of her Internship due to relocation to NC. Seconded by Dr. Griffin. Motion passed unanimously.
- XII. Ms. Winkler moved to accept Ms. Kaleigh Mancha’s notification of termination of her Internship due to relocation to CA. Seconded by Dr. Griffin. Motion passed unanimously.
- XIII. Mr. Harrison moved to accept Ms. Bridgett Quarles’ notification of termination of her Internship due to relocation to TX. Seconded by Dr. Griffin. Motion passed unanimously.
- XIV. Dr. Griffin moved the Board approve Dr. Michael Freda’s petition to be approved by the Board to supervise a seventh intern, however, only until the end of July 2014. Seconded by Dr. Unthank. Motion passed unanimously.
- XV. Ms. Winkler moved to approve the following MFTs as Board Approved Primary Supervisors for Marriage and Family Therapist Interns except Mr. Ron Christensen whose request is tabled and Ms. Jane Heenan. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Winkler moved to deny Ms. Jane Heenan’s petition to be approved as a Primary Supervisor for MFT-Interns. The Board was not able to confirm either a mentoring agreement or mentoring experience or a supervision course accomplished to satisfy supervisor requirements as written in regulation NAC 641A.182. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ron Christensen	MFT	Supervisor-in-Training (Buchholz)	tabled
Ms. Jan Heenan	MFT	Supervisor-in-Training (??)	denied
Mr. Colin Humphrey	MFT	Supervisor-in-Training (Buchholz)	approved
Ms. Natalie Sanchez	MFT	Supervisor-in-Training (Holt)	approved

- XVI. Motion made by Dr. Unthank to approve the following individuals listed for MFT-Internship and CPC-Internship with requested supervision except Ms. Angel Lash. Mr. Harrison seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Erin Chapel (CPC-Intern)	Primary/2 nd – Schoen/Quirk (approved)
Mr. Nicholas Cline (MFT-Intern)	Primary/2 nd – Lindler/Von Ravensberg (approved)
Ms. Lindsay Garrison (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Freda (approved)
Ms. Lindsay Garrison (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Freda (approved)

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Ms. Evan Miller (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Ritchie (approved)
Ms. Toni Nichols (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Freda (approved)
Mr. Andrew Acosta (MFT-Intern)	Primary/2 nd – Robinson/Hunterton (approved)
Ms. Maral Ardroumian (CPC-Intern)	Primary – DeCania (approved)
Ms. Sharon Beyer (MFT-Intern)	Primary/2 nd – Griffin/Lawrence (approved)
Ms. Rebecca Broz (CPC-Intern)	Primary – DeCania (approved)
Mr. Jeffrey Carson (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Anderson (approved)
Ms. Tasheba Davis (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Vlach (approved)
Mr. Michael Franklin (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Kelly (approved)
Ms. Latonya Gaston (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Beasley (approved)
Mr. Eric Greene (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Shaver (approved)
Ms. Gladys Hopkins-Hillman (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Welchel (approved)
Ms. Angel Lash (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Sutton (approved) Secondary – Andres (LCSW) (not approved)
Ms. Erin Mattera (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Savage (approved)
Ms. Megan Mitchell (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Norton (approved)
Ms. Margaret Moroun (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Lawrence (approved)
Mr. Paul Schwarz (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Robinson (approved)
Ms. Shaughnessy (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Anderson (approved)
Mr. Dustin Tomlin (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Tretiak (approved)
Ms. Melissa Wadsworth (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Kelly (approved)

XVII. Dr. Griffin moved to deny all submitted petitions to terminate Primary supervision.
Seconded by Dr. Unthank. Motion was withdrawn.

Dr. Unthank moved to accept all except MFT Supervisor Ms. Leticia Murphy's petition to terminate supervision with MFT-Intern Ms. Kim Callahan. Seconded by Mr. Harrison. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Unthank moved to deny MFT Supervisor Ms. Leticia Murphy's petition to terminate supervision with MFT-Intern Ms. Kim Callahan until Ms. Callahan obtains new Primary Supervision. Seconded by Mr. Harrison. Motion passed unanimously.

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Dr. Yvonne Hart, MFT-Supv	terminate	Ms. Vanderheiden, CPC-Intern (approved)
Dr. Yvonne Hart, MFT-Supv	terminate	Ms. Yamashiro, CPC-Intern (approved)
Dr. Yvonne Hart, MFT-Supv	terminate	Ms. Feagans, CPC-Intern (approved)
Ms. Mandie Kelel, MFT-Supv	terminate	Ms. Mancha, MFT-Intern (approved)
Ms. Leticia Murphy, MFT-Supv	terminate	Ms. Callahan, MFT-Intern (not approved)
Ms. Leticia Murphy, MFT-Supv	terminate	Ms. Mason, MFT-Intern (approved)
Mr. Dean Sanner, MFT-Supv	terminate	Mr. Pincombe, MFT-Intern (approved)

XVIII. Mr. Harrison moved to approve all petitions for MFT and CPC Interns to terminate supervision with Primary and Secondary supervisors, as listed. Seconded by Dr. Griffin. Passed unanimously.

Ms. Kristina Huddleston, MFT-Intern terminate Mr. Gary Alexander, MFT-Supv (approved)

XIX. Motion was made by Ms. Winkler to approve all changes and additions to internships, as submitted by MFT and CPC-Interns except Mr. John Duerr's submission for secondary supervision with Mr. Aaron Nicolaides (LCSW); and Ms. Amna Haider's submission for secondary supervision with Mr. Ron Christensen. Mr. Harrison recused himself with regard to his Primary supervision with Ms. Laura Deitsch and his Secondary supervision with regard to Ms. Angela Eaves. Dr. Griffin recused herself with regard to her Secondary supervision with Ms. Stephanie Beckford. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Winkler moved to deny Mr. John Duerr's submission for secondary supervision with Mr. Aaron Nicolaides (LCSW) (There were no extenuating circumstances identified.); and Ms. Amna Haider's submission for secondary supervision with Mr. Ron Christensen, who has not been approved as a supervisor by the Board. Seconded by Dr. Unthank. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Kathleen Bailey (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Waters (approved)
Ms. Sharon Booth (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Moore (approved)
Ms. Laura Deitsch (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Harrison (approved)
Ms. Lyudmila Feagans (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Braun (approved)
Ms. Veronica Fletcher (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Sirkin (approved)
Ms. Kristina Huddleston (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Sirkin (approved)
Ms. Robin Mason (MFT-Intern)	Primary/2 nd – Tretiak/Beach (approved)

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Ms. Gail Silva (MFT-Intern)	Primary/2 nd – T. Johnson/Blesch (approved)
Ms. Laura Smedley (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Geldmacher (approved)
Mr. Samuel Tielemans (MFT-Intern)	Primary – Geldmacher (approved)
Ms. Angelina Virella (CPC-Intern)	Primary – Humphrey (approved)
Ms. Rachel Augustus (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Vande Voort (approved)
Ms. Stephanie Beckford (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Griffin (approved)
Ms. Carey Christensen (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Vande Voort (approved)
Ms. Jerusha DeBattista (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – G. Alexander (approved)
Mr. John Duerr (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Nicolaidis (LCSW) (not approved)
Ms. Angela Eaves (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – R. Harrison (approved)
Ms. Cara Goodman (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Robinson (approved)
Ms. Jennifer Grimes-Vawters (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Schoen (approved) Secondary – Carter-Hargrove (approved)
Ms. Amna Haider (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – R. Christensen (not approved)
Ms. Lecsy Hernandez (CPC-Intern)	Secondary – Daniel (approved)
Ms. Sara Hughes (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Casale (approved)
Ms. Kella Kutter (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Jacobsen (approved)
Ms. Stephanie LaFontaine (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Webster (approved)
Ms. April Lang-Baroga (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Sanchez (approved)
Ms. Christine Lynn (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Goicoechea-Parise (approved)
Ms. Jenny Lyn Ledesma (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Hanks (approved)
Mr. Jody Marshall (CPC-Intern)	Secondary – DeFilippo (approved)
Ms. Robin Mason (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Beach (approved)
Ms. Gina Oladé (CPC-Intern)	Secondary – Goodwill-Freda (approved)
Mr. Marcio Rezende (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Sanderson (approved)
Ms. Falon Schnieder (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Hudson (approved)
Ms. Anjuli Silveira (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Beach (approved)
Ms. Barbara Spanjers (MFT-Intern)	Secondary – Savage (approved)

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XX. Dr. Griffin moved to deny Ms. Monica Dorado’s petition to retake the National MFT exam. The Board discovered that she will not be eligible to apply to take the exam until January-February 2015. Seconded by Ms. Winkler. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Winkler moved to grant Ms. Hannah Falls and Ms. Michelle Strahler permission to retake the National MFT exam after examining the documents submitted describing preparation for improvement. The Board encourages them to undergo supervised training to strengthen their weak areas before testing. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Monica Dorado, MFT-Intern (not approved)

Ms. Hannah Falls, MFT-Intern (approved)

Ms. Michelle Strahler, MFT-Intern (approved)

XXI. Ms. Winkler moved to approve the following interns who have completed their minimum internship hours and approve them for full marriage and family therapist and clinical professional counselor licensure. Seconded by Dr. Unthank. Mr. Harrison recused himself with regards to Ms. Hannah Ware. Motion passed.

Ms. Corissa Brunson (CPC) approved Mr. Nick Nelson (MFT) approved

Ms. Jennifer Stepp (CPC) approved Ms. Cory Taylor (MFT) approved

Ms. Mailee Turner (MFT) approved Ms. Hannah Ware (MFT) approved

XXII. Dr. Griffin moved to deny Ms. Mary Minten’s petition for the Board to approve her intern Ms. Tamietti to perform in-home therapy independently through Maple Star. The Board requested more issues addressed in a more detailed manner. Dr. Unthank seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

XXIII. Dr. Griffin moved that the Board deny Ms. Kristina Huddleston’s petition to be approved to conduct off-site, in-home therapy sessions without supervision through Nevada State, Division of Child and Family Services – Early Childhood Mental Health Division per NAC 641A.196 (1). The Board requested more issues addressed in a more detailed manner. Mr. Harrison seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

XXIV. Mr. Harrison moved to deny Ms. Stokey’s petition for the Board to accept clinical administrative hours. The Board does not have the regulatory authority to change this. Dr. Griffin seconded. Passed unanimously.

XXV. Based on the Board’s denial to accept administrative hours Ms. Stokey’s petition to approve 267 post graduate administrative hours obtained in CA towards her NV Internship was skipped.

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XXVI. Dr. Griffin moved to approve Ms. Ellen Johnson's petition for the Board to accept 98 hours of internship experience she earned in CA towards her NV Internship based on the fact that her supervision was a licensed MFT. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Unthank moved to strike the previous motion. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Griffin moved to approve Ms. Johnson's petition accepting 1,267 internship hours of experience she earned in CA. Seconded by Dr. Unthank. Passed unanimously.

XXVII. Dr. Griffin moved that the Board will review for approval extenuating circumstances in the plans written for an intern, which are approved by the Primary Supervisor, on a case by case basis. These emergency plans formulated must, at least, include considerations outlined for 1. Safety, 2. Confidentiality, 3. Location, 4. Time of Day, 5. Training, 6. Seating and 7. Note Taking. Seconded by Mr. Taylor. Motion passed unanimously.

XXVIII. The Board discussed changes to the Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 641A based on SB155. Mr. Erik Schoen submitted a written statement in the record. (attachment A)

XXIX. The Board discussed the fact that Medicaid offers Interns positions as Agency Clinical Supervisors which involve making medical decisions. The Board's position is not in favor of Interns taking these positions. The Board feels that this is not an acceptable practice and that it does not fall within the scope of an intern's practice. However, it is at the Primary Supervisor's discretion under which the intern is practicing.

XXX. Ms. Winkler and Dr. Huggins presented to the Board information/verbiage about supervision to be posted on the website, to review and to solicit comments.

The Board took a 5 minute break.

The Board President and any Board Member that wishes will send comments to be incorporated into the document to the Board office to then distribute to Ms. Winkler and Dr. Huggins.

XXXI. Ms. Winkler and the ED are working on contacting the State Information Technology Department under NV State Administration to move along the process of getting online payments in place. Ms. Winkler is exploring a contractor for on-line forms.

XXXII. The ED submitted the Position Description for the Executive Director to the Board. The Board President will develop a performance evaluation form and an Evaluative Questionnaire for next Board Meeting.

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XXXIII. Public Comment. – There was no public comment.

XXXIV. Items for future agendas include

1. The next Board Meeting will be scheduled on Friday, September 5th, 2014, from 9am to 4pm. It will be a Teleconference. There will also be a Workshop on that day to solicit comments from the public for the Proposed Changes to NAC 641A.
2. The next Board Interviews for Reno will be scheduled for August 18th, 2014.
3. The next Board Interviews for Las Vegas will be scheduled for August 21st, 2014.

XXXV. Dr. Unthank motioned to adjourn meeting at 1:00 pm. Seconded by Mr. Taylor.

Submitted By: _____
Raymond E. Smith Sr., Executive Director

Incl. Attachment A

■ This conference was recorded.

These Minutes have been approved by the Board and are not subject to revision.