

NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF
MENTAL HEALTH PRACTICE

BOARD MEETING MINUTES – November 20, 2015

Present: Richard Phelps, MSW, LICSW, H. Alan Goodman, Ph.D., LCMHC, Diane Vaccarello, MS, LMFT, Jane Power Kilcoyne, Ed.D, Public Member and Kathleen Skinner Shulman, Ed.D., Public Member.

Not present: Dayl Hufford, D.Min., LPP

Board meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Jane Power Kilcoyne, Ed.D., Board Chair

Draft minutes of the October 16, 2015 meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion was made by Kathleen Skinner Shulman and seconded by Richard Phelps to approve the minutes with a spelling correction on page 2.

Vote: For: RP, AG, JK, DV, KSS
Opposed: 0
Recused: 0

I. FINAL PROPOSALS

- A. Motion was made by Alan Goodman and seconded by Kathleen Skinner Shulman to approve the final proposal of Mhp 101.01 intro. & (b) and Mhp 103.01. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Motion was made by Diane Vaccarello and seconded by Kathleen Skinner Shulman to approve the final proposal of Mhp 302.01 (a)(b)(k)(q) and revised Candidate for Licensure: Supervision Agreement. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. Motion was made by Kathleen Skinner Shulman and seconded by Richard Phelps to approve the final proposal of Mhp 402.01. Motion passed unanimously.

II. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Betsy Hippensteel and Deb Fournier – A presentation was made to the Board informing it of major initiatives concerning Medicaid care management implementation: a four phase approach.

- B. Workforce Survey – Danielle Weiss and Alisa Druzba of the Health Professions Data Center presented information concerning a workforce survey they would like the Board to send out with license renewal applications. Motion was made by Kathleen Skinner Shulman and seconded by Richard Phelps to support the workforce data center and assist it in gathering the information needed to benefit the mental health of the citizens of New Hampshire.
- C. Loman, Susan – Ms. Loman, Director of the Master’s program in Dance/Movement Therapy and Counseling presented information to the Board concerning Antioch’s Dance/Movement Therapy and Counseling Program. The Board told Ms. Loman that there is a problem with the name of the degree and suggested the program consider becoming CACREP accredited in order to meet the Board rules.

III. DISCUSSION

- A. Identifying title for supervisors – The Board discussed assigning a title to supervisors who meet the requirements of NH Administrative Rule Mhp 302.01(c)(9). Motion was made by Kathleen Skinner Shulman and seconded by Richard Phelps to take no action on this. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Teletherapy – The Board reviewed the statement that is currently posted on its website concerning teletherapy. Motion was made by Kathleen Skinner Shulman and seconded by Richard Phelps requesting Diane Vaccarello draft a disclaimer, for Board review, that can be added to the statement on teletherapy.

Upon the motion of Alan Goodman and seconded by Richard Phelps, the Board, by roll call vote, resolved to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing applications, investigations of alleged misconduct of licensees, final disciplinary action and other adjudicatory decisions, in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3, II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 118 N.H. 574 (1978), RSA 330-A:29, V, and the Board’s executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

[Non-public minutes held separately]

Upon the motion of Alan Goodman and the second of Richard Phelps, the Board by roll call vote, resolved to withhold the minutes of the preceding non-public session, with the exception of approved applications, responses to motions and disciplinary actions until they are served from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than

a Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

I. APPLICATIONS APPROVED FOR LICENSURE

- A. Approved mental health counselors: Elizabeth Achorn, Tammy Blakeney, Rachel Canova, Alissa Gallo, Jennifer Michelle Higgins Hagan, Katrina Jameson, Liane Kerbyson, Sherry Lapointe, Tammy Nicholson, Giulia Nihan, Maxine Notice, Laura Sausville, Elisabeth Szilagyi and Jennifer Yebba.
- B. Approved clinical social workers: Ariel Cahn-Flores, Lindsay Hyslip, Caren Kamel, Chelsea Lemke and Lisa Zoracki.
- C. Approved marriage & family therapists – John Coppola and Janet Robertson.
- D. Approved pastoral psychotherapists – no applications for review this month

II. APPROVED CANDIDATE FOR LICENSURE: SUPERVISORY AGREEMENTS

- A. Mental Health Counselors: Crystal Andres, Sarah Badami, Sandra Bernett, Frances Belcher, Michelle Lattime, Victoria Lee, Karen McLendon, Kimberly Meurillon,
- B. Social Workers: Elizabeth Antalek, Marc Cortino, Amy Eskelson, Laurie Evans, Stephanie Genest, Jamiee Murray, Joshua New, Katherine Reynolds and Kaitlyn Shelton
- C. Marriage & Family Therapists: Jeanette Carey and Maria LaPierre
- D. Pastoral Psychotherapists: no agreements for review

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM

Next meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2015