

**Family Mediator Certification Board**  
**Minutes**  
**January 8, 2014**

Present: K. Borgstrom, C. Sadler, E. Dinerstein, M. Rousseau, M. Garner, E. Christensen, K. McCall, B. Sturke (arrived late)

Excused: T. Sturke, D. Phillips and C. Dochstader

Also Present: P. Heinrich, Judge Kelly and Molly Brown

K. Borgstrom called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

**Meeting with Court ADR Representatives**

K. Borgstrom welcomed Judge Edwin Kelly and Molly Brown, Court ADR Coordinator and asked Board members to introduce themselves.

Judge Kelly explained the history of Alternate Dispute Resolution in the Courts and explained his view of the courts obligation to serve the public.

B. Sturke arrived during the discussion, which included the following:

- There is no longer a fiscal problem with the ADR program.
- By statute the mediators used for marital cases must be certified by this Board.
- New contracts, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, will be given to some, but not all the mediators currently on the court lists. These mediators will be assigned to specific courts.
- No new mediator applications will be accepted for the time being.
- The ADR program will be evaluating their current mediators based quality of work, information on the mediation questionnaire, and comments from the judge/master surveys.
- Judge Kelly is willing to discuss mediation in other areas: elder guardianship, “high conflict” marital cases, family (not divorce) matters and “brought forwards.”
- K. Borgstrom will touch base quarterly with M. Brown, inviting her to attend Board meetings when possible.
- The mentor/internship supervisor program needs to be reviewed.
- Borgstrom thanked Judge Kelly and M. Brown for their willingness to promote communication and cooperation between the Court and the Board.

**Approval of Prior Minutes**

M. Garner made a MOTION to approve the Public Minutes of December 11, 2013. Second: K. Borgstrom. MOTION PASSED with K. McCall, B. Sturke and E. Dinerstein abstaining.

K. Borgstrom made a MOTION to approve the Non-Public Minutes of December 11, 2013. Second: M. Rousseau. MOTION PASSED with K. McCall, B. Sturke and E. Dinerstein abstaining.

**Administrative Assistant's Report**

K. Borgstrom. Sturke made a MOTION to have P. Heinrich work with M. Rousseau to formulate a response to Ms. Reis that the Board has a concern about her proposed internship plan and feels that she would benefit from working with others. Second: C. Sadler. MOTION PASSED.

Members turned in their Annual Financial Interest Statements.

**Non-Public Session**

K. Borgstrom made a MOTION to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3, IIc-Personal. Second: B. Sturke. A roll call vote was held. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

The Board entered Non-Public Session at 5:38 PM.

The Board resumed Public Session at 5:45 PM.

B. Sturke made a MOTION to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. Second: D. Phillips. A roll call vote was held. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

K. Borgstrom adjourned the meeting at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Heinrich