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Massachusetts Board of Allied Mental Health & Human Service Professions
Board Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2016

Present:

William Ahearn, Chair
Steven Kaplan, Member
Michael Dorsey, Member
Susan Egan, Member
Michael Coughlin, Public Member
Karen Enegess, Member
Marilyn Dean, Member
Jacqueline Gagliardi, Member

Board Staff:

Erin LeBel, Executive Director
Eboni Lewis, Administrative Assistant
Jim O'Connor, Board Counsel

Absent:

Dawn Parks, Member
I. Scott Cohen, Member
Amy Vercillo, Member

10:05 AM Board meeting called to order and an emergency exit announcement was made. New Board member Susan Egan, LEP, was introduced.

Minutes: The January 15, 2016 meeting minutes tabled to next meeting.

10:11 AM: Training session

Mike D. moved to suspend the open to enter into a Training Session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 320A, Section 18. The motion was seconded by Steven K.
In favor: William A., Marilyn D., Karen E., Jacqueline G., Susan E.,
Against: Michael C.

10:25 AM: Return to Open Session

10:26 AM: Investigative Conference

Michael D., moved to suspend the open meeting to enter into Investigative Conference pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 112, Section 65C, to discuss the following complaints: **SA MH 16-004, MH 16-022, MH 15-027, MH 16-017, and MH 16-018**. The motion was seconded by Jacqueline G. and unanimously approved by the Board.

11:13 AM: Return to Open Session: while in Investigative Conference to discuss settlement terms of the above referenced cases.

SA MH 16-004	Dismiss
MH 16-022	Schedule Conference with Licensee
MH 15-027	Discuss with Prosecutor
MH 16-017	Dismiss



Discussion Items:

1. The Board reviewed an invitation from the NH Division of Health Professionals to discuss portability among licensure.
2. The AAMFTRB Committee in review of ESL accommodations was tabled until the next Board Meeting.
3. Review of correspondence from Michelle Rifi. Erin LeBel and Jim O'Connor will respond to e-mail.
4. A motion was made by Jacqueline G. to accept the proposal written by Deborah Spragg in regards to group supervision. The motion was seconded by Michael D, and unanimously approved by the Board.
5. A motion was made by Jacqueline G. to form a standards Committee for each license type of the Board to review and approve applications prior to full Board approval as follows:
 - a. LMHC – Karen E., Dawn P. and Public member
 - b. LMFT- Jaqueline G., Scott C., and Public member
 - c. LABA- William A., Michael D., and Public member
 - d. LEP- Steven K., Susan E., and Public member
 - e. LRC- Amy V., Marilyn D., and Public member

The motion was seconded by Steven K and unanimously approved by the Board.

6. A motion was made by Michael C. to form a Complaint Committee comprised of a majority of currently serving members to determine appropriate actions on complaint. The motion was seconded by Steven K. and approved by the Board.
7. The Board reviewed a request by licensee BK to continue to offer supervision under change of license types. A motion was made by Michael C. to approve the request to continue supervision the motion was seconded by Jacqueline G., and unanimously approved by the Board.
8. A motion was made by Jacqueline G., and seconded by Steve Kaplan to delegate authority to staff the review of application extension requests. The authority allows staff to approve extension requests, so long as a reasonable and specific plan is presented by the applicant.

12:16 PM: Quasi-Judicial Session

Michael C., moved to suspend the open meeting to enter into Quasi-Judicial Session pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 18, to review the final decision and order for **MH 13-054**. The motion was seconded by Steven K. and approved by the Board unanimously.

12:31 PM: Return to Open Session.

9. Review of MFT Applications:
 - a. MFT App# 4654 (KS)- approved for licensure
 - b. MFT App #4670 (LC) – approved for licensure
 - c. MFT App#4984 (DS)- approved for licensure
 - d. MFT App #5119 (MF)- approved for licensure
 - e. MFT App #5164 (JS)- approved to sit for exam
 - f. MFT App #5269 (DJ)- approved to sit for exam
 - g. MFT App #5276 (AM)- approved to sit for exam
 - h. MFT App #5297 (JC) – approved to sit for exam
 - i. MFT App #5302(AS)- approved to sit for exam
 - j. MFT App #5304 (JR)- further education required
 - k. MFT App #5310 (SH) – further education required
 - l. MFT App #5316 (MM)- further education required
 - m. MFT App# 5322 (AM)- approved to sit for exam
 - n. MFT Reinstatement#1070 (WS)- approved for reinstatement
10. Review of LEP Applications:
 - i. LEP App #5255 (AP)– approved for licensure
 - ii. LEP App #5287 (EV)- further exam info needed
 - iii. LEP App #5293 (TP)- approved for licensure

- iv. LEP App #5300 (LC)- approved for licensure
- v. LEP App #5321 (CD)- approved for licensure

11. Review of LEP Applications:

- i. ABA App #0548 (KB)- approved for licensure
- ii. ABA App #0668 (NB)- approved for licensure
- iii. ABA App #0670 (RV)- approved for licensure
- iv. ABA App #0784 (RK)- further work experience required
- v. ABA App #0866 (CH)- approved for licensure
- vi. ABA App #0874 (AS)- approved for licensure
- vii. ABA App #0925 (SR)- approved for licensure
- viii. ABA App #0930 (LG)- further work experience required
- ix. ABA App#0936 (JB)- approved for licensure
- x. ABA App #0948 (EA)- approved for licensure
- xi. ABA App# 0950 (FS)- further work experience required
- xii. ABA App #0969 (AA)- further work experience required
- xiii. ABA App #0983 (AD)- further work experience required
- xiv. ABA App #1003 (PK)- further work experience required

12. Review of LMHC Applications:

- a. MH app# 5089 (TR): Practicum accepted as lacking requisite hours were made up during the Internship. EDUC 751/851C at UNH was accepted as a course in counseling or a related field.
- b. MH app# 4612 (VE): PT 153 and PT 157 from BGSP were accepted together toward the Helping Relationships course content area. The applicant's request for an extension was accepted.
- c. MH app# 5137 (KW): The Board denied the applicant's appeal. All experience must be under an approved supervisor.
- d. MH app# 4959 (CS): Tabled
- e. MH app# 3929 (KA): The Board determined that the Post-Master's experience completed was research and not mental health counseling and, therefore, may not be used toward the Post-Master's experience requirement.
- f. MH app# 4764 (LE): Tabled
- g. MH app# 5141 (RM): Tabled
- h. MH app# 5129 (MG): Tabled
- i. MH app# 4995 (LH): Tabled
- j. MH app# 4141 (MH): Tabled
- k. MH app# 4925 (AG)- approved for licensure
- l. MH app# 5192 (KB)- approved for licensure
- m. MH app# 5157 (FC)- approved for licensure
- n. MH app# 4943 (AB)- approved for licensure

Items not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours of the meeting.

- 13. MH app# 5143 (SP): The Board would like this applicant to respond to the Staff Assignment and then, appear before them at their next meeting.
- 14. MH app# 2638 (RMO): The Board accepted the applicant's request for an extension and stated that Board staff may approve extensions provided that applicants are able to outline the steps they are taking to meet the requirements and can identify an anticipated completion date.
- 15. MH app# 5250 (EO): The Board will not accept a cardiologist as an approved supervisor. The applicant must make up the lacking Pre-Master's supervision during the Post-Master's experience.

Meeting adjourned at 12:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Ms. Eboni Lewis
Administrative Assistant

List of documents:

- N/A