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Massachusetts Board of Allied Mental Health & Human Service Professions
Board Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2015

Present:

William Ahearn, Chair
I. Scott Cohen, Member
Michael Dorsey, Member
Marilyn Dean, Member
Caroline Wandle, Member
Steven Kaplan, Member
Michael Coughlin, Public Member
Karen Enegess, Member
Jacqueline Gagliardi, Member

Board Staff:

Erin LeBel, Executive Director
Rachael Pauze, Board Counsel
Leija Meadows, Board Administrator
Matthew Runge, Investigator
Doris Lugo, Investigator
Ellen D'Agostino, Investigator
Aidan McGrath, Administrative Assistant

Absent:

Amy Vercillo, Member
Dawn Parks, Member

1:02 PM: Board meeting called to order and an emergency exit announcement was made.

Minutes: The Minutes from the April 17, 2015 Board meeting were tabled and will be reviewed at the next meeting.

1:03 PM: Investigative Conference

Scott C. moved to suspend the open meeting to enter into Investigative Conference pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 112, Section 65C, to meet with prosecutors and discuss the following complaints: **MH 14-026, MH 13-051, MH 14-002, SA MH 15-007, MH 15-011, MH 15-014, MH 15-015, MH 15-016, MH 15-018, MH 15-019, MH 15-020, and MH 15-026.** The motion was seconded by Caroline W. and unanimously approved by the Board.

2:48 PM: Return to Open Session

For the Record, the Board decided to take the following actions during the Investigative Conference:

MH 14-026	Reviewed with prosecutor and provided guidance on settlement terms
MH 13-051	Reviewed with prosecutor and provided guidance on settlement terms
MH 14-002	Reviewed with prosecutor and provided guidance on settlement terms
SA MH 15-007	Steve K. recused and left the room, Closed
MH 15-011	Tabled
MH 15-014	Dismissed
MH 15-015	Forwarded to Office of Prosecutions
MH 15-016	Dismissed with Advisory
MH 15-018	Forwarded to Office of Prosecutions



MH 15-019	Tabled
MH 15-020	Tabled
MH 15-026	Tabled

Discussion Items:

1. Application Review:

LEP applications were reviewed by Caroline W. and Steven K. and presented to the Board with recommendation of approval.

- a. C.S. #4645: A motion was made by Caroline W. to approve the application. Steven K. seconded the motion. All in favor.
- b. A.B. #4575: A motion was made by Caroline W. to approve the application. Karen E. seconded the motion. Steven K. recused. Motion passed.
- c. S.C. #4762: A motion was made by Steven K. to approve the application. Jacqueline G. seconded the motion. All in favor.
- d. A.A. #4696: After certifying credentials of supervisor, application approved. A motion was made by Steven K. The motion was seconded by Karen E. All in favor.

An LRC application was reviewed by Marilyn Dean and presented to the Board with recommendation of approval.

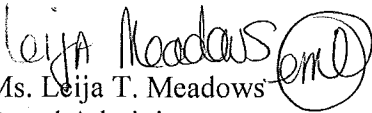
- a. M.L. #4347: A motion was made by Marilyn D. to approve the application. Karen E. seconded the motion. All in favor.

2. Board reviewed correspondence from DD who is requesting guidance on reinstating his LMHC license that was revoked through a Final Decisions and Order by Default. The Board agreed to invite him into a Board meeting to discuss this matter.
3. Rachael Pauze updated Board on Executive Order 562, which will require a review of all regulations. As 262 CMR was recently amended to include ABA licensure, update LMHC licensure eligibility, and update ethical standards, the Board will now review other sections of the regulations. The Board agreed to have a listening session before their August 21st Board meeting, at 11am
4. Regulation update:
262 CMR was updated and officially promulgated on June 5, 2015. Board staff has received many questions about the implementation of the changes to the LMHC requirements for licensure and if there will be any grandfathering of implementation. Board staff has been working on an update to the FAQs to reflect answers to these implementation questions. Rachael Pauze proposed that the Board delegate authority to the LMHC application Sub-Committee to review and approve these FAQs on the Board's behalf. A motion was made by Scott Cohen and seconded by Michael Dorsey to delegate such authority. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Delegation of Board Authority to Board Staff in Default Decisions: A motion was made by Scott C. to delegate Board authority to the Board's Executive Director, Associate Executive Director and the DPL Deputy Director of Boards and Planning to sign and execute Final Decisions and Orders by Default. The motion is seconded by Karen E. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Board Meeting Packets: Members of the Board expressed dissatisfaction with the mailing of Board meeting packets. The Board would like to try electronic packets for the next meeting, staff will work to accommodate.

7. Travel Vouchers: Board members were informed that completed travel voucher forms and receipts are due before the end of the fiscal year.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Ms. Leija T. Meadows
Board Administrator

List of documents:

- April 17, 2015 Open Minutes
- EO 562