

MINUTES

UTAH MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST LICENSING BOARD MEETING

March 14, 2014
Room 474, 4th Floor – 9:00 A.M.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 9:05 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 11:14 A.M.

Bureau Manager:
Board Secretary:

Richard J. Oborn
Lee Avery

Board Members Present:

Scot M. Allgood, Ph. D., Chairperson
Veon G. Smith, DSW, Acting Chairperson
Adam Munk, Ph.D.
Elaine Reintjes

Board Members Excused:

Alan Springer, Ph.D.

DOPL Staff Present:

Susan Higgs, Compliance Specialist

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

MINUTES:

The Board reviewed the minutes dated December 27, 2013. Ms. Reintjes made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and carried unanimously.

Compliance Report:

- #1. Deanna Gallagher is in compliance with her stipulation. She submitted her supervisor reports and continues to commute between Salt Lake and St. George.
- #2. Denim Slade is in compliance with his stipulation. He submitted positive supervisor reports for February. He has completed all areas of his probation, including his essay.
- #3. Lawrence Bradley is in compliance with his stipulation. He submitted a supervisor report for January, February and March. He submitted a

proposal for a new supervisor, Ms. Linda Helquist.

APPOINTMENTS:

Ms. Deanna Gallagher, probation interview

Ms. Gallagher met with the Board. Dr. Smith conducted the interview. Ms. Gallagher stated things are going well. She attended an EMDR training course. They encouraged the therapists to practice right away with clients. Ms. Gallagher stated she feels this type of therapy has been very helpful to her clients and has decided she will continue attending additional training courses in EMDR for her certification. This course delayed her plans to leave the St. George area. She will continue commuting 3 days a week. Ms. Gallagher stated she is seeing positive changes in her clients and is excited about this therapy. Ms. Gallagher stated she has twelve clients and is not accepting new ones. She continues to meet with her supervisor weekly. The Board noted her reports have been submitted on time and are positive. The Board asked to see Ms. Gallagher June 13, 2014. **Ms. Gallagher is in compliance with her stipulation.**

Ms. Denim Slade, probation interview

Mr. Slade met with the Board. His interview was conducted by telephone. Dr. Allgood conducted the interview. Mr. Slade stated that things are going well. He continues to meet with his supervisor and implement his supervisor's suggestions regarding boundaries, managing clients better, and not being overly involved in his client's lives. Mr. Slade stated he is learning what his role is as a therapist and the importance of setting and keeping good boundaries. Mr. Slade stated he has also learned the importance of good written notes. Mr. Slade stated he manages stress by spending more time with his family. They are a good support system for him. The Board noted Mr. Slade's supervision reports have been positive and encouraged him to continue moving in the direction he is going. The Board asked to see Mr. Slade on June 13, 2014. **Mr. Slade is in compliance with his stipulation.**

Mr. Lawrence Bradley, probation interview

Mr. Bradley met with the Board. Mr. Bradley's interview was conducted by telephone. Dr. Munk conducted the interview. Mr. Bradley submitted a proposal for Ms. Linda Helquist, LMFT to be approved as his supervisor. Ms. Helquist is an AAMFT approved supervisor. Mr. Bradley stated that

he met with her two weeks ago. They reviewed his stipulation and spent some time getting to know each other. Mr. Bradley stated he is in private practice. He is seeing 3 clients and is working an average of 3 to 4 hours a week. The Board noted that his supervision is once a month as long as there is a client and 1 hour for every 15 hours of client contact. Dr. Munk made a motion to approve Ms. Helquist, LMFT as Mr. Bradley's supervisor. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and carried unanimously. Mr. Bradley stated that he knows where he made mistakes and has worked to not make them again. He recognizes how the little things can impact the therapeutic relationship with a client. The Board encouraged Mr. Bradley to continue doing what he is doing. The Board would like to physically meet with him on June 13, 2014. **Mr. Bradley is in compliance with his stipulation.**

DISCUSSION:

1. Bills that passed during legislative session that impact MFT profession

Mr. Oborn reviewed the bills that passed during the legislative session that impact the mental health profession to include:

H.B. 277: Music Therapist Licensure Amendments. This bill creates a state certification designation for music therapists.

S.B. 137: Health Care Professional Truth In Advertising. This bill amends the unprofessional and unlawful conduct provisions of the DOPL licensing act to require all licensed health care providers to disclose to a patient the health care provider's type of license and name.

2. Investigation report

Tabled to the June meeting.

3. Volunteering as an associate MFT

Tabled to the June meeting.

4. Open and Public Meetings Act Training.

Mr. Oborn reviewed the Open and Public Meetings Act Training with the Board.

5. Mark Gee, MFT license suspension

Mr. Oborn reviewed the stipulation signed by Mr. Gee regarding the suspension of his license.

6. Upcoming MFT CE audit and license renewal

Mr. Oborn reviewed the MFT CE audit and license renewal with the Board.

7. Formal hearing scheduled May 6, 8:15 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Mr. Oborn advised the Board that the hearing scheduled for May 6, 2014 has been canceled.

CORRESPONDENCE: None at this time.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR: The Board next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2014

2014 Board meetings tentatively scheduled:
June 13, September 12, December 12

ADJOURN: The Board adjourned at 11:15 A.M.
Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

6-13-14
Date Approved

Scott Alleyson
Chairperson, Utah Marriage and Family Therapist
Licensing Board

6/13/14
Date Approved

Richard D. Brown
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing