

Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists

Minutes of October 10, 2008

Members Present: Marlin D. Schultz, LMFT
Julia A Smith, Faculty
Loretta C. Slepikas, Public
Art Tolentino, LMFT
Elizabeth Wosley-George, LPC
Linda White, LPC

Members Excused: Ryan Melton, LPC

In attendance:

Becky Eklund, Executive Director	Nancy Hill, George Fox University
Connie Brown, Martha Steen, Board Staff	Amanda Jones, George Fox University
Kelly Gabliks, AAG	Tia Harms, Mars Hill graduate
Margaret Taylor, Dept of Justice	Ruth Dirks, Mars Hill graduate
Dan Kelly, Investigator	MaryJane Wilt, Mars Hill graduate
Sally Belanger, George Fox University	Morris Dirks, Mars Hill graduate
Allison Ewer, George Fox University	Maya Bunhan, George Fox University
Lynn Groshing, George Fox University	Rebecca Shala, George Fox University
Jennifer Hooper, George Fox University	David Carlson, George Fox University
DeAnne Smetama, George Fox University	Pam King, George Fox University
Bobbi Woodford, George Fox University	Justin Hall, George Fox University
Somner Seitz, George Fox University	Marita Tiller, George Fox University
Amanda Vidito, George Fox University	Trudie Atkinson, LPC

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists was called to order by Chair Marlin Schultz at 8:38 a.m. in the Second Floor Large Conference Room of the Morrow Crane Building, 3218 Pringle Road SE, Salem, Oregon.

PUBLIC SESSION

Board Chair, Marlin Schultz, convened the Board in Public Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(3).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES

The agenda was approved as amended. Lora Carson's financial report will be emailed to Board members.

Julia Smith moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to approve the August 8, 2008 Board meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously with Loretta Slepikas abstaining.

Julia Smith moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to approve the August 9, 2008 Board meeting minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously with Loretta Slepikas abstaining.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (including working lunch)

The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:55 a.m. to discuss complaints and investigations under ORS 192.660(2)(k).

BREAK 12:15 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board reconvened in Executive Session at 12:35 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened in Public Session at 1:53 p.m.

The Board took the following actions:

Resolved: Case #2004-006 – Loretta Slepikas moved and Linda White seconded the motion to reject the request for mediation. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2004-008 – Elizabeth Wosley-George moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to approve supervisor and supervision plan. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2005-019/2008-024 – Julia Smith moved and Loretta Slepikas seconded the motion to issue a written reprimand and impose up to \$1000 per violation. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2005-020 – Linda White moved and Elizabeth Wosley-George seconded the motion to issue a written reprimand. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2005-036 – Loretta Slepikas moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to proceed to discipline. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2005-041 – Elizabeth Wosley-George moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to deny the appeal and stay with the original motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2006-029 – Linda White moved and Loretta Slepikas seconded the motion to approve the settlement agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2006-052, #2006-046, #2007-020, #2008-008 – Julia Smith moved and Elizabeth Wosley-George seconded the motion to approve the settlement agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2007-014 – Loretta Slepikas moved and Elizabeth Wosley-George seconded the motion to approve the revised professional disclosure statement. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2007-022 – Linda White moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to approve the settlement agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2007-034 – Loretta Slepikas moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to dismiss. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2008-002 – Julia Smith moved and Linda White seconded the motion to proceed to discipline. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Case #2008-018 – Loretta Slepikas moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to revoke the license. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolved: Title Violations – Two people complied with the Board. One has until November 15th to comply.

Elizabeth Wosley-George moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to request a 30-day extension for investigation on the following compliance cases:

#2006-018; #2006-037; #2006-044; #2006-049; #2006-050; #2007-018; #2007-024;
#2008-001; #2008-005; #2008-006; #2008-009; #2008-011; #2008-012; #2008-013;
#2008-014

The motion passed unanimously.

Special Considerations:

1. Process Work Institute – Would like to become Board-approved and asked the Board to waive the requirement of regional accreditation in the evaluation of their Masters of Arts degree. Julia Smith moved and Loretta Slepikas seconded the motion to deny the request for waiver of the requirement. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Ruth Dirks, applicant – Requested the Board to reverse the denial of her application for licensure as a registered intern. The Board will form a sub-committee to look at the TRACS accreditation.
3. Carol Goodman, intern – Asked the Board to reconsider denial of her internship hours for the months covering 7/2007 – 12/2007. Julia Smith moved and Loretta Slepikas seconded the motion to deny the appeal. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Jennifer Mason, intern – Asked the Board to reconsider denial of her internship hours for the months covering 11/16/07 – 5/15/08. Julia Smith moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to deny the appeal. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Mina Schoenheit, intern – Asked the Board to reconsider denial of her internship hours for the months covering 11/2007 – 4/2008. Loretta Slepikas moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to deny the appeal and also issue a letter of concern regarding use of LPC after her name. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Nakota Ashstare, applicant – Asked the Board to reconsider denial of her application for licensure by reciprocity. Elizabeth Wosley-George moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to deny the appeal. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Robert Freedman, former licensee – Asked the Board to reconsider expiration of his license and to grant a waiver of continuing education based on his low vision problem. It was determined that there are services and means for him to acquire the necessary continuing education needed for licensure. Loretta Slepikas moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to deny his request. The motion passed unanimously.

Connie Brown presented special considerations for the CE Audit. There are currently 19 licensees pending who needed clarification on the audit and 5 licensees who did not respond to the audit. The Board determined the following:

- Neuropsychology grand rounds or case management unit meetings do not count. They are for professional development, not CEUs.
- Trainings must be at least an hour in length.
- Study groups, group consultation/peer supervision meetings do not count. There is no agenda or documentation.
- CE Waivers must be received prior to renewal and not after the fact.
- Receipts of payment and handouts from the trainings do not show proof of completion or attendance.

Birth Month Renewal

Julia Smith moved and Loretta Slepikas seconded the motion to approve the Birth Month Renewal proposal with implantation January 1, 2009. The motion passed unanimously. The Board will notify all licensees (website, email, newsletter). Continuing education will still be every even-numbered year and due on the licensee's birth month. The licensee's renewal will be due the first of the month and allowed a 30-day grace period with no late fee. The license will expire if not renewed during that month.

Administrative Rules

The Board reviewed the recommendations from the Administrative Rules Advisory Committee for changes to OAR 833. The following motions were made regarding changes to the temporary rules:

- Julia Smith moved and Loretta Slepikas seconded the motion to change the LPC supervisor requirement to require five years of post-graduate clinical experience as an Oregon licensed professional counselor or other Oregon licensed mental health professional. The motion failed.
- Loretta Slepikas moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to reinsert 833-025-0050(3)(b)(A)(v).
- Elizabeth Wosley-George moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to reinsert language under 833-025-0050(3)(b)(B). The motion passed unanimously.
- Loretta Slepikas moved and Art Tolentino seconded the motion to change the word consistent to consistency under 833-060-0070(2). The motion passed unanimously.
- Loretta Slepikas moved and Julia Smith seconded the motion to approve all administrative rules changes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Administrative Rule Issues

The Board discussed issues with OAR 833-020-0164(5) and (6) Practice requirements for registered interns. Julia Smith moved and Linda White seconded the motion to change the wording on 833-020-0164(6) to read: "An approved plan may cover up to three separate practices, such as private practice and employment by two different autonomous programs, at any given time, if the practices are at different sites and **supervised by one or more supervisors or team of supervisors.**" The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director, Becky Eklund, gave her Budget report.

The Board will address online graduate degree programs, e-therapy, and strategic planning follow-up items at the December Board meeting.

Board Chair, Marlin Schultz, will email Board members and staff the Executive Director Evaluation questions to complete in a month.

Trudy Atkinson, supervisor, addressed the Board with concerns regarding the supervisor criteria. She will submit a statement to the Board for review.

ADJOURNMENT 5:34 p. m.

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