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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF COUNSELING SEPTEMBER 7, 2012 APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Counseling met in regular session on September 7, 2012, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 3, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

### CALL TO ORDER

Marion Turowski, L.P.C., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:** Marion Turowski, L.P.C., Chairperson  
Patrick Munley, Ph.D., Vice-Chairperson  
Robyn Emde, L.P.C, Professional Member  
Steve Hampton, L.M.S.W.  
Rev. Meredith Hunt, Public Member (arrived at 10:20)  
Laura LeClear, Public Member  
Gerald Papazian, C.A.A.D.C., L.P.C., Professional Member  
Diane Parfitt, Ph.D., Professional Member  
Thomas Wuori, Public Member

**Members Absent:** Ramsey Jiddou, Public Member  
Louellen Ramey, L.P.C., Ph.D., Professional Member

**Staff Present:** Amy Schneider, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division  
Joe Campbell, Director, Licensing Division  
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Health Regulatory Division  
Lucinda Clark, Manager, Licensing Division  
Desmond Mitchell, Policy Analyst, Health Regulatory Division  
Danielle Burk, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division  
Susan Bushong, Compliance Section  
Jennifer Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General

***Others Present:*** Ed Ballance, Jr.  
Carol Holmes, Attorney  
Tom Sparks, Attorney  
Eric Blumberg, MMHCA

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*MOTION* by Wuori, seconded by LeClear, to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2012 meeting.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*MOTION* by LeClear, seconded by Parfit, to approve the agenda with the addition of "C. Internet Usage Committee" to Old Business.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

### **James Ian Sherrill, LLPC – Petition for Reinstatement**

*MOTION* by Wuori, seconded by LeClear, to accept the Petition for Reinstatement and grant reinstatement, in the matter of James Ian Sherrill, LLPC.

Petitioner is placed on probation for a minimum of (2) two years and must submit quarterly reports from his supervising Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC). Petitioner must attend therapy and may be successfully discharged prior to the end of the probationary period upon written verification from the therapist that he no longer requires therapy. Petitioner must remain in compliance with the Public Health Code (PHC).

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Turowski, Munley, Emde, Hampton, Hunt, LeClear, Papazian, Parfitt, and Wuori

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Accreditation Issue – Update**

Mitchell stated Ramsdell is researching all boards to study the difference between national and regional accreditation standards. Mitchell will have an update by the next board meeting. Further questions pertaining to accreditation can be forwarded to Mitchell.

### **Licensing Questions and Answers**

Clark distributed "Licensing Questions and Answers," for Board members to review and answered questions pertaining to Licensing.

### **Internet Usage Committee**

Parfitt distributed the "Skype Committee Update Report," dated 9/7/12, for Board members to review. She discussed the examples of various states that are using Skype in supervision.

Mitchell distributed the "States That Allow Non-Traditional Counseling Supervision," for Board members to review. He advised he will have further discussion about recommendations with Ramsdell and should have an update by the next board meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Elections**

*MOTION* by Hampton, seconded by LeClear, to nominate Turowski as Chair.

A unanimous voice vote was called.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

*MOTION* by Hampton, seconded by LeClear, to nominate Munley as Vice Chair.

A unanimous voice vote was called.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **Resolutions**

*MOTION* by Hunt, seconded by Wuori, to honor the following departing Board Member with a Resolution:

Harriet A. Singleton, LPC

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **Committee Assignments**

Turowski assigned interested Board members to the DSC committee to fill open vacancies.

## **NBCC Meeting Summary**

Campbell discussed the (NBCC) National Board for Certified Counselors meeting of August 9-10, 2012. He reviewed meeting topics such as Facebook, social media, electronic practice, and the code of ethics.

## **Department Update**

Lind discussed the Board identification badge renewal process. She distributed an updated version of the "Standards of Conduct," so that Board members may review it and replace it in Chapter 1 of their Board Member Handbooks.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ed Balance, Jr., thanked the Board and Mitchell for working on the accreditation issue.

Eric Blumberg, representing the Michigan Mental Health Counselors Association, introduced himself to the Board members.

Bushong described how the Health Professional Recovery Program (HPRP) operates and answered questions pertaining to the HPRP.

Carol Holmes, Attorney, thanked the Board for the work they have done and was encouraged by information Bushong shared about the Health Professional Recovery Program (HPRP).

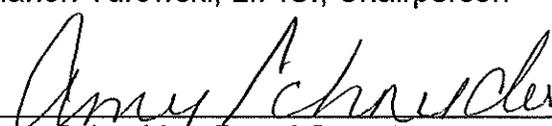
Parfitt announced the (MACES) Michigan Association for Counselor Education & Support pre-conference clinical supervision training scheduled November 2-3, 2012 and the (MSCA) Michigan School Counselor Association and (MCA) Michigan Counseling Association fall conference scheduled November 4-5, 2012.

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Hunt, seconded by Hampton, to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

  
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Marion Turowski, L.P.C., Chairperson

12-7-12  
Date Minutes Approved

  
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Amy Schneider, Board Secretary

9. 7. 12  
Date Minutes Prepared