

BOARD OF MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY MEETING MINUTES

June 1, 2021

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Virtual Meeting Notice

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all board meetings will be held virtually during the declared public health emergency.

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Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Open Session

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OPEN SESSION JUNE 1, 2021

OS-0601-01	<p>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</p> <p><u>Board Members</u> Sheila Holt – Board Chair (Present) Angela Sarafin – Board Member (Present)</p> <p><u>Board Staff</u> Aisha Nixon- Executive Director (Present) Christopher Boone- Assistant General Counsel (Present) Thelma Ofosu- Mensah – Health Licensing Specialist (Present) Rebecca Odrick –Investigator (Present) Christopher Boone- Assistant General Counsel (Present) Rujuta Nandguonkar- Law Intern</p>	
OS-0601-02	<p>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Sheila Holt to accept the June 1, 2021, Open Session Agenda. Seconded by Angela Sarafin.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Angela Sarafin and Shelia Holt voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0601-03	<p>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</p> <p>Ms. Aisha Nixon who was covering for Ms. Ericka Walker gave an update on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Staff are working remotely. • All staff will return to the office on July 12, 2021. • The Online Application Portal is live, and new applicants can apply for licensure online. • The Board has 148 active licensees • The outlook for Board meetings post COVID-19 and discussed if board members will prefer conducting Board meetings via a hybrid (virtual and in-person) mode. 	
OS-0601-04	<p>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</p> <p>Mr. Christopher Boone gave an update to the Board on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new Legal Intern will be assisting him. • D.C. Council recently passed the Removing Barriers to 	

	Occupational Licensing for Returning Citizens Amendment Act of 2020; only crimes connected to a licensee's or applicant's profession can be considered by the Board.	
OS-0601-05	CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT No Report	
OS-0601-06	MINUTES Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the March 2, 2021, meeting. Motion: Motion made by Angela Sarafin to accept the March 2, 2021, Open Session Minutes. Seconded by Sheila Holt. Vote: Angela Sarafin and Shelia Holt voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	
OS-0601-07	SCOPE OF PRACTICE- HORA Board Action: Review the current scope of practice for any amendment. Motion: Motion made by Angela Sarafin to accept the recommendation of the sub-committee as final for submission before it is submitted to the Board for final approval. Seconded by Sheila Holt. Vote: Angela Sarafin and Shelia Holt voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	
OS-0601-08	FYI 2021 MEETING DATES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 7, 2021 • December 7, 2021 No Action Required	

ADDENDUM	<p>CHANGE OF BOARD MEETING TIME</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p> <p>Motion made by Ms. Sarafin to change the Board meeting start time from 11:00am to 10:00am Seconded by Ms. Sheila Holt.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u></p> <p>Angela Sarafin and Shelia Holt voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0601-09	<p>MOTION TO CLOSE</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u></p> <p>To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u></p> <p>Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p> <p>Motion made by Sheila Holt to close the meeting at 10:00am Seconded by Angela Sarafin.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u></p> <p>Angela Sarafin and Shelia Holt voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

The next open session meeting scheduled for September 7, 2021, at 11:00 am.

The Open Meetings Act governs this meeting. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.