

BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

Minutes

March 5, 2019

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

OPEN SESSION MINUTES MARCH 5, 2019

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL 11:30 am

Sheila Holt – Board Chair (Absent)
Jennifer Novak – Board Member (Present)
Angela Sarafin – Board Member (Present)
Panravee Vongjaroenrat – Board Attorney (Present)
Aisha Nixon – Senior Health Licensing Specialist (Present)
Alma R. White – Health Licensing Specialist (Present)
Judy Williams – Consumer Member (Present By Phone)
Rebecca Odrick – Board Investigator (Present)
Gregory Scurlock – Chief Compliance Officer (Present)

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

MOTION

Motion made by Angela Sarafin to accept the March 5, 2019 agenda. Seconded by Judy Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

OS-0305-01 OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board considered the Open Session Minutes of the September 4, 2018 meeting.

MOTION:

Motion made by Angela Sarafin to approve the Open Session Minutes for September 4, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Judy Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

OS-0305-02 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

No Report (Absent)

OS-0305-03 SENIOR HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST

Aisha Nixon, Senior Health Licensing Specialist provided the Board with the number of licensees that recently renewed; 112 LMFT's have renewed their license. The late renewal grace period will end on March 30, 2019. After March 30th, MFT who have not renewed will be required to submit a reinstatement application, If they want to practice in the District.

OS-0305-04 BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

AAG Panravee Vongjaroenrat informed the Board on Public Health Continuing Education Requirements.
Dr. Nesbitt, Director of DC Health, had an idea in terms of benefitting from the professional work of Health Professional Licensees in the District. There has been a decision, a policy

translated into regulation requiring all Health Professionals license in the District must complete 10 percent of their required continuing education in Public Health Priorities or issued as determined and published by the Director. Every five years the list will be revisited and updated.

Marriage Family Therapy Regulations ruling making is still pending final approval at the Mayor's Office.

When the proposal rule making is published there will be a thirty day public comment period and if no public comments are received the rule will be submitted as final rule making. When it published as final rule making it will be effected.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant of the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will moved 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.

MOTION:

Motion made by Angela Sarafin to adjourn the open session portion of the meeting. Seconded by Judy Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **June 4, 2019**