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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF COUNSELING MEETING OF JUNE 5, 2009

### APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Counseling met in regular session on June 5, 2009, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Stuart Itzkowitz, L.P.C., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Harriet Singleton, L.P.C.  
Martha Burkett, L.P.C.  
Delila Owens, Ph.D., L.P.C.  
Thomas Wuori, Public Member  
Marian Turowski, L.P.C., Vice-Chairperson  
Stuart Itzkowitz, L.P.C., Chairperson

**Members Absent:**

Rev. Meredith Hunt, Public Member  
Robbie Steward, L.P.C.  
Steve Hampton, L.M.S.W.  
Laura LeClear, Public Member

**Staff Present:**

Bonnie Curtis, Secretary  
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division  
Liz Arasim, Policy Analyst, Licensing Division  
Amy Shell, Manager, Licensing Division  
Pam Millben, Analyst, Enforcement Section  
Susan Balkema, Assistant Attorney General  
Robert Jenkins, Assistant Attorney General  
Ray Garza, Director, Health Regulatory Division  
(arrived 10:57 a.m.)

**Others Present:** Kevin Keenan – MISPP  
Curlada Eure-Harris – LACA  
Kristin Sherida – MPA  
Carolyn Van Cleave - Psychologist

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion** by Wuori, seconded by Singleton, to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2009 meeting with the following corrections:

Under **OTHER PRESENT**, correct Irene Ametiano to Irene Ametrano.

Under **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**, correct "marijuana" to "marihuana".

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion** by Owens, seconded by Wuori, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Itzkowitz announced that Pate has resigned from the Board and appointed Wuori as chair of the Disciplinary Subcommittee.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

Turowski inquired of Board members if they have any comments on the current draft of the proposed rules.

Itzkowitz stated that the rules have not been updated for several years and the Board agreed that it was time to revise them. He stated that areas that were revised in 2003 were supervision, training and LLPC.

Turowski stated that in reviewing the current draft she had some concerns regarding accreditation. She stated that with the state of the economy many educational institutions cannot afford to pay the fee to become accredited through the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). Turowski stated that most of the educational institutions meet or exceed the standards of CACREP but has concerns about requiring accreditation.

Turowski stated that the rules committee should review this issue again and possibly remove the CACREP accreditation requirement.

Discussion followed.

Shell explained the rules process once the Board approved the final draft.

The draft will be returned to the Rules Committee for further review.

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

### **HEALTH PROFESSIONAL RECOVERY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE – CHRISTINE WALKONS, M.A., L.P.C., CAAC, CCS-M**

***Motion*** by Wuori, seconded by Turowski, to accept Christine Walkons, M.A., L.P.C., CAAC, CCS-M as the Board of Counseling representative to the Health Professional Recovery Committee.

***MOTION PREVAILED***

### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Ramsdell reported that state employees will be experiencing six (6) furlough days during which time state offices will be closed.

## ***REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS***

None

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

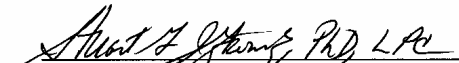
Eure-Harris expressed her concerns regarding the proposed rules changes.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

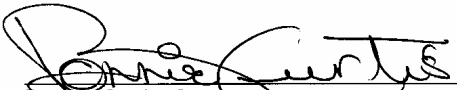
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held September 11, 2009 at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Owens, seconded by Turowski, to adjourn the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

  
Stuart Itzkowitz, L.P.C., Chairperson

  
Date Minutes Approved

  
Bonnie Curtis, Secretary

  
Date Minutes Prepared