

**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY SECTION
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 28, 2016**

PRESENT: Bridget Ellingboe, Peter Fabian, Alice Hanson-Drew, Linda Pellmann (*was excused from the meeting at 11:21 a.m. and rejoined the meeting at 11:44 a.m.*)

STAFF: Dan Williams – Executive Director, Nilajah Hardin – Bureau Assistant, Sharon Henes – Administrative Rules Coordinator, and other DSPS Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Alice-Hanson Drew called the meeting to order at 9:59 a.m. A quorum of four (4) members was confirmed.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Bridget Ellingboe moved, seconded by Peter Fabian, to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 30, 2015

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Linda Pellmann, to approve the November 30, 2015 minutes as published. Motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE MATTERS

Proposals for MPSW 1 Relating to Renewal and Reinstatement

MOTION: Linda Pellmann moved, seconded by Bridget Ellingboe, the Marriage and Family Therapist Section reviewed MPSW 1 Relating to Renewal and Reinstatement and supports the proposed language of MPSW 1.085. Motion carried unanimously.

PROPOSAL TO RECOGNIZE CALIFORNIA'S LMFT LICENSE AS SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT FOR PURPOSES OF RECOGNITION FOR WISCONSIN LICENSURE

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Linda Pellmann, to recognize an active California Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Credential as substantially equivalent to a Wisconsin Marriage and Family Therapist License for purposes of reciprocity per Wis. Stat. § 457.15(2). Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Pellmann was excused from the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

MFT POSITION STATEMENTS

- MOTION:** Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Bridget Ellingboe, to authorize the following changes to the MFT Position Statements page of the DSPS website:
1. Removal of “How Does a LMFT License Compare to Other Mental Health Licensures Offered in Wisconsin?”
 2. Addition of “What is the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy?”
 3. Addition of “Who May Practice Marriage and Family Therapy?”
 4. Revision of “How Many Hours of Supervised Experience do Applicants Need?” to update statutory references and remove “in no less than two years”
 5. Revision of “Who can Supervise Applicants for Licensure?” to include under 4) “or AAMFT approved supervisor candidate”
 6. Revision of “Are LMFTs Required to Carry Malpractice Insurance?” to update statutory references and remove “Clinical Social Workers and Professional Counselors”

Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

- MOTION:** Peter Fabian moved seconded by Bridget Ellingboe, to convene to closed session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85 (1)(b), and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85 (1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Alice Hanson-Drew read the language of the motion. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Bridget Ellingboe-yes; Peter Fabian-yes; Alice Hanson-Drew-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, all external communication contacts will be terminated for purposes of going into Closed Session.

The Section convened into Closed Session at 11:34 a.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

- MOTION:** Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Linda Pellmann, to reconvene into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Section reconvened into Open Session at 12:50 p.m.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Linda Pellmann moved, seconded by Bridget Ellingboe, to affirm all motions made in closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

CASE CLOSINGS

15 MFT 007

MOTION: Peter Fabian moved, seconded by Bridget Ellingboe, to close DLSC case number 15 MFT 007, for Insufficient Evidence. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDER FIXING COSTS

Linda Pellmann rejoined the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Ellen Pederson-Lewis, L.M.F.T. (ORDER0004113)(DHA case number SPS-14-0086)(DLSC case number 13 MFT 003)

MOTION: Linda Pellmann moved, seconded by Bridget Ellingboe, to adopt the Order Fixing Costs in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Ellen Pederson-Lewis, Respondent (ORDER0004113)(DHA case number SPS-14-0086)(DLSC case number 13 MFT 003). The Section considered the Respondent's request to reduce or eliminate costs and decided not to grant the request. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

MOTION: Linda Pellmann moved, seconded by Peter Fabian to appoint Bridget Ellingboe as a Credentialing Liaison. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Linda Pellmann moved, seconded by Peter Fabian to table the Election of Officers, Appointment of Liaisons and Delegation of Authority to a future meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Linda Pellmann moved, seconded by Peter Fabian, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.