

Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists
Ethics Committee Meeting
Friday, October 14, 2016, 9:00 AM
Southern Methodist University at Plano
5228 Tennyson Parkway, Building 3, Room 103
Plano, Texas 75024

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Smothermon, Professional Member
Evelyn Husband-Thompson, Public Member
Sean Stokes, Professional Member
Michael Miller, Public Member

Staff Present:

Cheryl Gomez
Dawn Burton
Oscar Draughn
Damon Parker

Guests Present:

Kayli Cross	Jodie Elder	Edite Ruzqyte
Kay Gillette	Julio Hinkson	Rulesha Hart
Kenda Dalrymple	Iameka Jones	Rachel Falbo
Tiffany Smith	Jenna Scott	Maria Hossain
Rhonda Johnson	Dianne Douglas	John Harper
Lauren Lopez	Jason Stack	Ketara Moses
Chuck West	Jason Martin	Shellee Henson
Peter Bradley	Harris Leonard	Susan Heavrin Quin

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 9:03 am by Mr. Miller, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2016 Ethics Committee meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Stokes to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion on the following pending complaints:

Complaint # 1062-12-0027 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Miller to close this complaint with a conditional letter of agreement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-12-0034 was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Stokes to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-12-0046 was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to close this complaint with a conditional letter of agreement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-13-0033 was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Thompson to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-13-0029 was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-14-0008 was discussed. Ms. Smothermon was recused. A motion was made by Dr. Stokes to close this complaint with a conditional letter of agreement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaints # 1062-15-0010 and # 1062-15-0015 were discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to close these complaints as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-16-0032 was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was Executive Session: Consultation with Board attorney pursuant to TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.071 regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or settlement offers.

The Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists having convened on this date and with a quorum present will now go into Executive Session in accordance with Government Code Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act) of the State of Texas, for the purposes of consulting with the board attorney concerning the matter of agenda item 5. The date is October 14, 2016. The time is 11:02 am. The Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists came out of Executive Session at 11:41 am. No action taken. The date is October 14, 2016.

Agenda Item 5 was the update and discussion on the following pending complaints awaiting informal settlement or State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH):

1062-09-0034 JP
1062-10-0025/1062-15-0033 TN
1062-14-0001 JL

No action taken.

Agenda Item 6 was public comment. Two people addressed the committee.

Agenda Item 7 was announcements and comments not requiring committee action, such as statements regarding conferences and other recent or upcoming events.

Agenda Item 8 was to schedule the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be January 20-21, 2017.

Agenda Item 9 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 11:42 am.