

Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists
Rules Committee Meeting
Saturday, January 23, 2016, 8:30 AM
Texas Department of State Health Services, Exchange Building
8407 Wall Street, Room N-102
Austin, TX 78754

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Smothermon, Professional Member
Rick Bruhn, Professional Member
Michael Puhl, Public Member
Keith Rosenbaum, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Cheryl Gomez
Molly Fudell
Amanda Stallings

Guests Present:

Thao Phan	Laura Wallace
Jodie Elder	Barbara Buchanan
Karla Rodriguez	Lind Butler
Melissa Christiansen	Bill Connolly
Kristy Soloski	

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 10:10 am by Ms. Smothermon, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2015 Rules Committee meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Bruhn to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion related to proposed amendments to the board's rules in 22 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §801.204 (Licensing of Military Service members, Military Veterans, and Military Spouses) for publication in the Texas Register. No action taken.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding potential changes to 22 TAC §801.115– Academic Requirements and Supervised Clinical Practicum Equivalency for Applicants Currently Licensed in Another Jurisdiction, for publication in the Texas Register. A motion was made by Dr. Bruhn to approve the change. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion regarding regarding potential amendments to rules regarding training, education, and other specific requirements for supervisors providing supervision to licensees who are subject to a board order, for publication in the Texas Register. A motion was made by Dr. Bruhn to approve the change. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion regarding Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists licensees who conduct or receive telepractice and/or telesupervision. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to accept the proposed language. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion regarding potential changes to 22 TAC §§801.2 – Definitions, 801.142 – Supervised Clinical Experience Requirements and Conditions, and 801.143 – Supervisor Requirements, and 801.235 – Late Renewal. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to accept the proposed language. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 8 was public comment. Two people addressed the committee.

Agenda Item 9 was announcements and comments not requiring committee action, such as statements regarding conferences and other recent or upcoming events.

Agenda Item 10 was to schedule the next committee meeting date. The next meeting date will be April 15-16, 2016 in Austin, TX.

Agenda Item 11 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:32 pm.