

Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists
Ethics Committee Meeting
Friday, January 9, 2015 11:00 AM
Exchange Building
8407 Wall Street, Room N-102
Austin, TX

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Michael Puhl, Public Member
Michael Miller, Public Member
Jennifer Smothermon, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Cheryl Gomez
Georgia Norman
Carol Miller
Molly Fudell
Elaine Snow

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 12:08 pm by Ms. Smothermon, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2014 Ethics Committee meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Miller to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

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

Complaint # 1062-13-0020 (RC) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Miller to close this complaint with a letter of advisement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-12-0042 (HC) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaints # 1062-13-0005 and # 1062-14-0045 (GF) were discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Miller to propose revocation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-13-0034 (SV) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Miller to close this complaint with letter of advisement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1062-14-0047 (GC) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Miller to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding the following complaints closed administratively as non-jurisdictional:

1062-12-0014 LW

1062-15-0008 NR

The Texas State Examiners of Marriage & Family Therapists Ethics Committee 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 January 9, 2015. The time is 1:50 pm. The Texas State Examiners of Marriage & Family Therapists Ethics Committee came out of Executive Session at 2:07 pm. No action taken. The date is January 9, 2015.

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

Complaint # 1062-09-0034 (JP) was discussed. No action taken.

Complaint # 1062-10-0025 (TN) was discussed. A motion was made to instruct the Executive Director to notify the respondent's attorney regarding non-compliance. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 6 was public comment. There was none.

Agenda Item 7 was announcements and comments not requiring committee action, such as statements regarding conferences and other recent or upcoming events. There was none.

Agenda Item 8 was to schedule the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be April 9-10, 2015.

Agenda Item 9 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.