

Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists
Licensing Standards Committee Meeting
Department of State Health Services
Friday, July 12, 2013 9:00 AM
Exchange Building
8407 Wall Street, Room N-102
Austin, Texas 78754

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Rick Bruhn, Professional Member
Jennifer Smothermon, Professional Member
Michael Miller, Public Member

Staff Present:

Crystal Beard
Elaine Snow
Georgia Norman
Cindy Bourland

Guests Present:

Jodie Elder
Peter Bradley
Charles West
James Morris

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 9:05 am by Dr. Bruhn, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2013 Licensing Standards Committee meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion regarding the application for licensure or examination of Charles West. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to approve for a provisional license with stipulations. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding the implementation of a new rule requiring applicants to have 60 semester credit hours in the academic preparation for the Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate and the Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist license.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion regarding the implementation of a new rule addressing the specific number of hours counseling couples and/or families a graduate student seeking licensure as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate shall accumulate during his or her practicum in order to attain full licensure.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion regarding rule change recommendations to be sent to the Rules Committee for consideration. A motion was made by Ms. Smothermon to send this recommendation to the Rules Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 7 was announcements and comments not requiring committee action.

Agenda Item 8 was public comment.

Agenda Item 9 was to schedule the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be October 25-26, 2013.

Agenda Item 10 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.