

**BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS AND
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
MINUTES OF MEETING**

May 9, 2008

Open Session

The Open Session of the Board of Mental Health Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists was called to order on the above date in Room 104, Cannon Building, Rhode Island Department of Health, Three Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Open Meeting Law, so called, and other applicable provisions of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended. A quorum was established at 10:00 am.

Board members in attendance:

Terrence Giblin

Noelle Harris

Dale Blumen

Joseph Costa

Ronald Mancini

Board members not in attendance:

James Pinel

John Roche

Staff members in attendance:

Charles Alexandre

The minutes of the Open Meeting held on January 11, 2008 were presented. On motion of Terrence Giblin, seconded by Dale Blumen, it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes.

The Board answered various questions submitted by potential applicants with respect to education and credentials.

The Board agreed to accept a credentials evaluation from a foreign educated applicant from Educational Credential Evaluators.

The July meeting date has been moved to Friday July 18, 2008 to resolve scheduling conflicts.

The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the following mental health counselor applications for licensure pending successful completion of the national examination:

Carolynn Lee Vallot Judith Hart Anabela Lopes Gouveia

Thelmisha Vincent Laura R. Silverman Linda O'Malley

Paul J. Boorom, Jr. Jena L. Freeman Amy Prior

Stephen T. Addy Scott David Bessette Elizabeth E. Beckman

Robert Anthony Richards Alanna Sadoff

The following were approved pending receipt of their transcript:

Tina L. Ptaszek Michael Connell Isabel Storey

The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the following mental health counselor applications for licensure by endorsement:

Michelle Burke

Catherine Cummins

Naydeen R. Fortson

Marjorie Lamphear (pending receipt of national examination score report)

Adjournment

Having no further business, on motion of Dale Blumen, seconded by Noelle Harris, it was unanimously voted to adjourn. The Open Session of the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Alexandre

Chief, Health Professions Regulation