

ocdp0809

Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board
MINUTES—August 9, 2004

President Joe Gay called the MEETING TO ORDER at 1:07 p.m. at the State Library of Ohio, 274 1st Street, Columbus Ohio

Present: Pres. Gay; Sec. Long; Members L. Anthony, V. Crews, J. Carter, J. Horne, K. Moody-Bierly, F. Karaffa, L. Swenson, C. Ireland—ODADAS Rep. D. Harlow, OAG Rep. M. Wise.

Absent: V.P. Wright. Member D. Haller

(Dr. Gay called for notification of additional agenda items and projected time required for discussion—None Noted.)

Approval of Minutes of 6/14/04

Committee Reports

--**Executive**---No report. By-Laws Committee (L. Swenson) reported on changes needed because of creation of Treasurer's position on the Board. MOVED by Dr. Karaffa, Seconded by Carter. PASSED. Article 6.4.4 addition of: The treasurer shall assure Board review of the Board's annual budget and an annual audit, serve as member of the Administrative Operations committee, Executive Committee and make financial information available to board members. Article 7.2.1 revise to include 4 officers. Article 7.2.2 revise to include 3 board members and the treasurer.

--**Administrative**—No report

--**Education and Training**—“On hold”

--**Prevention**—V. Crews shared letter to be sent to potential “public” members of the committee. Next Prevention Committee meeting in Mansfield on 10/21/04.

--**Ethics Committee**—Dr. Karaffa informed the Chair that an Executive Session would be needed for part of the Ethics Committee presentation. Karaffa suggested that the Board consider the hiring of an investigator as soon as possible. Acting Ex. Dir. Ferguson outlined the compliant-to-closure continuum for ethics complaints. Mr. Wise was asked to research confidentiality issues surrounding complaints and the Board's “duty to warn” responsibilities. Dr. Karaffa MOVED that the written process provided by the Acting Exec. Dir. serve as the Board policy and procedure on ethics complaints until the By-laws committee can refine the process. Seconded by V. Crews. PASSED. See handout provided by Acting Ex. Dir.

MOVED by Dr. Karaffa, Seconded by L. Anthony to enter Executive Session for the purpose of maintaining the confidentiality of persons accused of ethics violations.
PASSED 2:06 p.m.

Re-enter public session 2: 37 p.m. Pres. Gay called for a 10 min. break. Meeting resumed at 2:45 p.m.

MOVED by D. Long, Seconded by G. Carter, that:

Cathie Cummings have CCDC I REVOKED for client-counselor boundary violations

Stanley Jones have CCDC III-E REVOKED for exploitive relationships with client(s)

Barbara Turner RC receive a written REPRIMAND for fraud, and complaint be forward to

Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage/Family Therapist Board.

Karen Johnson CCDC I receive a written REPRIMAND for fraud.

D.K. be required to submit a MENTAL STATUS EXAM for bizarre behavior exhibited in the work setting.

Executive Director report

--**Budget**—see handout as sent to OMB. \$495,000 allocated for 2006 and 07. Current projected expenses are \$520, 000 for each of those years.

--**Staffing and Reception**—High volume of calls has resulted in use of auto-answering. No phone receptionist at this time. Some callers don't like this situation.

--**ICRC testing error**—corrected and participants with erroneous scores notified.

--**Status of Cert/Lic**—Printing company will have certificates and accompanying ID cards ready for distribution soon.

Old Business

--**Board Meetings**--OCTOBER 18—time and location TBA

--DECEMBER --State Library 1:00 p.m.

New Business

--**Letter requesting OCDPB opinion** (see handout) on Medicaid reimbursement for licensees-- OCDPB decided it has no authority in this area. The Board agreed that we would support efforts by representative organizations to obtain Medicaid authorization for OCDPB licensees as a contribution to the field.

--**Diagnosis authority**—Results of a lengthy discussion was MOVED by L. Anthony, Seconded by Karaffa that OCDP Board licensed counselors may use the DSM-IV Axes I, III, IV, V. Axis II should not be directly diagnosed by OCDPB licensees. "Deferred" is suggested. Axes I and II "by history" are deemed appropriate by the OCDPB if documentation in the intake/assessment packet provides the client statements upon which the history is founded. (Note : for Axis II, the term "rule out" is specifically mentioned as being unclear and ought not to be used by OCDP counselors).

--Inactive Status—following precedents of ODADAS, the OCDP Board will allow Short Term Inactive status participants to move to Long Term without intervening renewal/RCH updates. Professionals on Inactive Status for more than 5 years may be required to update RCH's on an individual basis as determined by the OCDPB.

Other Business

--Discussion of need for Investigator. Much needed but no money dedicated to this, nor in the future. Perhaps we can contract for periodic services when needed. Discussed possibility of alternative funding sources. Acting Exec. Director added that we are already projected as over budget and the budget has not begun yet.

ADJOURNMENT: MOVED by Karaffa, Seconded by Long—4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David C. Long, Secretary OCDPB