

**Secretary of State  
Office of Professional Regulation  
National Life Bldg., North, Floor 2  
Montpelier, VT**

**BOARD OF ALLIED MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS  
UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

**JANUARY 21, 2010**

Members Present: Paul Sahba, Marjorie Trombly, Tammy Austin and Edmund Fischer;  
Dr. Marilyn Turcotte. OPR Staff Present: Diane LaFaille and Larry Novins.

**I. General Business**

- A. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.
- B. The minutes of the December 17, 2009 meeting were approved as written.

**II. Complaints**

ULP-MFT01-0908–Diane Lapre–A Stipulation and Consent Order was heard and rejected by the Board.

**III. Applications for Review**

Bemak, Nancy–The Board reviewed a course description from Union Institute for a course entitled Social Basis of Behavior and Cultural Diversity that would satisfy the Multi-Cultural Studies requirement provided it is a 3 credit course. Once completed, an official transcript would need to be presented to the Board. The Board is still in need of 198 additional field experience hours (internship) or a letter from the school confirming 1000 hours. Lastly, the Board recommends that she review the rules and the course description for Research and Evaluation. The GE800 course entitled “Independent Research Project” does not appear to satisfy this requirement. The Board wonders if she could have the school (Cambridge) submit additional documentation of further content of this 3 credit study. She is also permitted to enroll in a 3 credit graduate course in Research and Evaluation separately which could be supplemented to fulfill this requirement.

Gerrard, Lani–She has met Group III course requirements. She still needs Group I measurement course which may be supplemented as well as a letter from BU confirming 1000 hour field experience.

Leaf, Julie–Approved for licensure.

McGinnSlauson, Jeannie—Groups course for Group 1 has been accepted. Her education still remains deficient in Group 2 and Group 3. For Group 2, 3 credits are needed to fulfill requirements for Human Sexuality for Counselors, Crisis Intervention, Addictive Disorders or Psychopharmacology. It is her choice which ones she wishes to supplement with. For Group 3 courses that meet requirements for both multicultural studies and career development and lifestyle appraisal are required.

Ryan, Sean—Course work has been approved and both exams have been passed. The report of supervision submitted by Mr. Aiken is for pre and post degree. All supervision must be post master's. Mr. Aiken needs to submit the front page of the report of supervision indicating only the total number of hours post-degree.

Strange, James—He came before the Board to discuss his education. The Board needs evidence that he has completed at least a 600 hour internship as part of his school program. Without this, the degree does not qualify as a mental health degree. They also reviewed the other courses required for licensure. At this time his degree is deficient in the following areas: 6 credits in diagnosis, assessment and treatment; 3 credits in counseling skills; 6 credits in professional orientation and ethics and 6 credits in multi-cultural studies.

IV. Correspondence—noted

V. Other

A. Continuing education reviewed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Lafaille, Board Administrator