

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

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

December 16, 2010

Members Present: Paul Sahba, Dr. Marilyn Turcotte, Edward Fischer, Marjorie Trombly,
and Emma Pudvah, ad hoc. Absent: Tammy Austin. O PR Staff Present: Larry Novins,
Diane Lafaille, Peter Comart and Carla Preston.

I. General Business

- A. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.
- B. The minutes of the November 18, 2010 meeting were approved as written.

II. Hearings/Reinstatements/Closings

- A. William Gemmell petitioned the Board for reinstatement of his Clinical Mental Health Counselor license. He has satisfied the disciplinary portion of his reinstatement. He now needs to meet the requirements for renewal. Ms. Preston will contact him.

III. Applications for Review

McClure, Martha—She applied for licensure on the basis of endorsement from Colorado. The Board finds that the Colorado standards for licensure are not substantially equivalent to those of Vermont. Therefore, she is unable to apply on this basis. She may apply on the basis of examination and should have official transcript submitted as well as course description and/or syllabi.

Nowlan, Jeffrey—The Board requires verification of the actual number of hours earned within his internship. This verification may be provided by the internship supervisor. He may sit for the examinations with the understanding that he will not be eligible for licensure until all requirements have been met.

Smailhodzic, Ordina—Additional information is required regarding her education.

IV. Correspondence

- A. Leora Black wrote the Board asking if Peer Supervision can be accepted toward the continuing education requirements for clinical mental health counselors. The Board states that there are not any provisions within the laws and rules to allow for this. Mr. Comart was requested to respond to Dr. Black.

V. Other

- A. Continuing education reviewed.
- B. David Fink and David Hutchinson came before the Board to discuss/clarify what is currently being required for an internship/practicum at Johnson State College. The Rules require that one receive no more than a 100-hour practicum and no less than a 900-hour internship before licensure can be considered. The Board will follow up with a letter to Johnson.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Lafaille, Board Administrator