

Minutes

The Music Therapy Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on April 10, 2017, in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. The meeting was held at the office of the Board, 101 NE 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Advance notice of this regularly scheduled meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on November 1, 2016, and posted on the Board's website on April 7, 2017. The notice and agenda were posted in prominent public view on the front doors of the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision building located at 101 NE 51st St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on April 7, 2017 at 9:45 a.m.

Members Present were:

Sophia Lee, PhD, MT-BC
Suzanne Heppel, MT-BC
Rachel Nowels, MT-BC
Linda McCoy, Healthcare Professional

Members Absent were:

Dyann Arnett, Lay Person

Others present:

Reji Varghese, Deputy Director
Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Teresa Mitchell, Director of Licensing
Lisa Cullen, Administrative Technician (Licensing)
Tiffany Wythe, AAG, Committee Advisor

Having noted a quorum, Ms. Heppel called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

Following committee review, Ms. McCoy moved to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017 as written. Ms. Heppel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the committee reviewed applications for licensure. Ms. Teresa Mitchell, Director of Licensing, clarified with the committee that “clinical 1 verification” is included as part of the education from universities statewide (Form 1).

SOPHIA LEE, PhD, MT-BC, RECUSED from the following discussion and vote. Following committee review and discussion regarding the incomplete application of **CHIH-CHIN SOPHIA LEE** for Licensed Professional Music Therapist, Ms. Heppel moved to approve the application pending completion of the file. Ms. McCoy seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Following committee review and discussion regarding the incomplete application of **ANNE E. BUVINGER** for Licensed Professional Music Therapist, Ms. Lee moved to approve the application pending completion of the file. Ms. Nowels seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Barbara Smith, Executive Secretary, advised the committee that the emergency rule allowing the Board to charge an initial application licensure fee of \$50.00 was approved by the governor on March 3, 2017.

Ms. Smith then advised the committee that preliminary proposed rules had been drafted by staff, but upon the review of Tiffany Wythe, AAG and Committee Advisor, Ms. Wythe advised that the Music Therapy Practice Act (statute) does not appear to grant authority to the Board "to make rules and regulations deemed necessary to implement the provisions of this Act." Ms. Wythe further advised that it does not appear that any rules are required at this time, with the exception of those concerning fees. Lastly, Ms. Wythe advised that, since no specific date was set out in the law, the licensure renewal date for music therapists (biennially) would be two years from the date of issuance.

There being no further business, Ms. Heppel moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Lee seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The time was 2:02 p.m.