Illinois Department of Financial & Professional Regulation  
Division of Professional Regulation  
Music Therapy Advisory Board Minutes

Date: October 31, 2016

Call to Order: 10:06 A.M. – Azeema Akram, Assistant General Counsel

Location: IDFPR – Division of Professional Regulation, 100 W Randolph, 9th Floor Room 9-171A, Chicago, IL 60601

Board Members Present: Jessica Baer, Acting Chairperson (via phone)  
Andrea Crimmins, Ph.D., MT-BC, Member  
Louise Dimiceli-Mitran, LCPC, MT-BC, Member  
Kyle Fleming, MT-BC, Member (via phone)  
Candi Gray, LCSW, Member  
Clifton Saper, Ph.D., Member

Board Member(s) Absent: Russell Hilliard, Ph.D., LCSW, MT-BC, Member

Staff Members Present: Azeema Akram, Assistant General Counsel  
Vaughn Bentley, Law Clerk, Office of General Counsel  
Stephanie Rosienski, Law Clerk, Office of General Counsel

Guests: Via phone:  
Terrence Koller, Ph.D., ABPP, Legislative Liaison, Illinois Psychological Association

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Roll Call
Jessica Baer, present via phone
Andrea Crimmins, present
Louise Dimiceli-Mitran, present
Kyle Fleming, present via phone
Candi Gray, present
Russell Hilliard, absent
Clifton Saper, present

Analysis of Advisory Board Action
Ms. Akram reviewed the previous meeting that took place and reviewed the agenda.

Ms. Akram noted that David Hamilton, Executive Secretary, Office of the Professions (State of New York), who was a guest at the previous meeting, had followed up with written comments regarding New York’s licensing of creative arts therapists. The written comments had been distributed to Advisory Board members prior to the current meeting.

Guest Terrence Koller, Illinois Psychological Association
Dr. Koller thanked the Advisory Board for inviting him to speak and reviewed the Illinois Psychological Association’s concerns related to the potential licensing of music therapists. Specifically, he discussed consumer protection against inaccurate information relating to the use of music therapy in mental health treatment, how the current scope of practice of licensed professional counselors & licensed clinical professional counselors allows for the use of music therapy, and overlap with the use of music by appropriately-trained clinical psychologists in their treatment regimes. Dr. Koller answered Advisory Board member questions regarding the use of music therapy by clinical psychologists, the education obtained by those clinical psychologists, and the possibility of an exemption from music therapy licensure for other licensed mental health treatment providers practicing within the scope of their licenses.

The Advisory Board extensively reviewed Section 15 of the Music Therapy Advisory Board Act (“Act”), 20 ILCS 5070, & the report to be issued thereunder. The report shall be issued in April 2017 with recommendations regarding the certification process for music therapists in accordance with the requirements of Section 15 of the Act.

Approval of September 26, 2016 Minutes
Action deferred until the next meeting.

Old Business
I. The Advisory Board discussed potential future meetings dates for November.
II. Travel vouchers were previously distributed to Advisory Board members.

Adjournment
There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Dimiceli-Mitran / seconded by Crimmins to adjourn at 11:10 A.M. Motion passed unanimously.