

FAMILY MEDIATOR CERTIFICATION BOARD
PUBLIC MINUTES
September 10, 2019 AT 4:15
121 SOUTH FRUIT STREET, CONCORD

A meeting of the family mediators was held on September 10, 2019. The meeting was called to order by M. Rousseau at 4:25 p.m. also in attendance were P. Goldsmith, L. Aaby, S. Towle, A. Matrumalo and T. Cooper. Not present were M. Garner and E. Jasina. Attending from the OPLC were C. Horne, J. Shoemaker and T. Broderick.

1. Public Hearing on the Proposed 400's Rules Changes- Public hearing was opened at 4:35 p.m. Having no public input the hearing closed 15 minutes later at 4:50. P. Goldsmith made a motion to adopt the Fam 400s in this final form. S. Towle seconded, all in favor and motion passes.

2. Reading and Approval of the August 6, 2019 Minutes- S. Towle made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 6, 2019 meeting with a minor correction. M. Rousseau seconded, T. Cooper abstained and motion passes.

3. New Business-

a. Rules Change to add a Substantive Waiver- Attorney Broderick to Explain- P. Goldsmith made a motion to adopt part Fam 220 as presented, with no changes. L. Aaby seconded, all in favor and motion passes.

Board discussed how they would determine a hardship. This would be determined on a case by case basis by the Board. It would be up to the individual to show just cause.

What would the recourse be if the Board denied a petitioner? The Board would need to have specific details to why they denied the petitioner.

T. Broderick leaves the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

4. Continuing Education Approval Requests-

a. .2019 Partnering for a Future Without Violence- 9.75 hrs This course will be reviewed when a mediator submits it for course approval.

b. Bias: Implicit, Explicit, What Is It?- 2 Med. Skills- The Board needs more information on how does this relate to family mediations.

c. Interpersonal / Domestic Violence-2 DV- Board needs more information on the background of the presenter.

5. Unfinished Business- none

6. Communication General- none

7. Board Communication- Board has a few questions on the expiration dates of a few Board members. E. Jasina's term length may be incorrect.

a. Board member vacancies-

1. Mental Health Professional- Board asked S. Towle if this is a position she is interested in applying to fill.
2. Public Member- R. Cram's position is still vacant.
5. Attorney Member-Peter Goldsmith's term is up 10/11/2019. This term staff is looking into. Board believes there may be a mistake with the term expiration date.
6. NHCRA Member- Anthony Matrumalo's term is up 11/21/2019. NHCRA is still working on nominations

b. NHCRA Nominations- the paperwork for these positions has been submitted to G&C for nomination

1. NHCRA Member, Todd Prevett-to replace Susan Towle
2. NHCRA Member, Marianne Rousseau re-nominated to the Board

8. Non-Public Session-

a. Upon the motion of S. Towle and the second of L. Aaby, the Board, by roll call vote, voted to conduct a non-public session at 4:50 p.m. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(j), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 118 N.H.574(1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

b. Upon return to public session P. Goldsmith made a motion to seal the non-public minutes. S. Towle seconded, roll call vote, and motion passes.

9. Adjournment-

Next Meeting October 1, 2019

S. Towle made a motion to adjourn at 5:20 p.m. L. Aaby seconded, all in favor and meeting adjourned.