

FAMILY MEDIATOR CERTIFICATION BOARD

PUBLIC MINUTES

October 1, 2019 AT 4:15

121 SOUTH FRUIT STREET, CONCORD

A meeting of the family mediators was held on October 1, 2019. The meeting was called to order by M. Rousseau at 4:30 p.m. also in attendance were P. Goldsmith, M. Garner, E. Jasina A. Matrumalo and T. Cooper. Not present were L. Aaby, S. Towle. Attending from the OPLC was C. Horne. Todd Prevett was present for a portion of the meeting.

1. Reading and Approval of the September 10, 2019 Minutes- P. Goldsmith made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2019 meeting. T. Cooper seconded, E. Jasina abstained and motion passes.

2. New Business-

a. Supervised Visitation Information for Mediators- E. Jasina presented the information on the Merrimack County Visitation Center for the Board to review. There are 2 other visitation centers that E. Jasina is going to reach out to and get their information. P. Goldsmith made a motion to send the information that was presented to all the certified mediators by email. E. Jasina seconded, all in favor and motion passes.

Once the other visitation centers send their information in the Board will review it and post to the website. Each posting to the website will be reviewed by the Board prior to posting.

3. Continuing Education Approval Requests-

a. Ethics: Navigating and Challenges to Confidentiality- 3 Ethics CEUs- approved

b. Interpersonal/ Domestic Violence- 2 DV CEUs- upon the motion of E. Jasina and the second of P. Goldsmith the Board denies this course pending DV training of the instructor and a more accurate accounting of the time requested.

Todd Prevett arrived at 5:15 p.m. to discuss the following 2 courses with the Board

c. Maine 2016 CADRES- Mediation Training- Todd Prevett discussed this course with the Board. E. Jasina made a motion to approve this training for 6.75 Skills, 1 DV and the Board previously approved this course for 1.5 Ethics. F. Lane seconded, P. Goldsmith abstained and motion passes.

d. GAL Nuts and Bolts Training- .5 Ethics, .5 DV, 2 Fam. Dynamics, 1 Legal Update, .5 Other- The Board discussed this course for Ethics and felt that it does not meet Mediator Ethics requirements. M. Garner made a motion to deny this course for Ethics, P. Goldsmith and M. Rousseau abstain and motion passes.

Todd Prevett leaves the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

e. Family Division Case Manager & Divorce / Parenting Mediators-.5 Ethics, 2.5 Skills, .5 DV, .75 Legal Update, .75 Family Dynamics- Board has approved this course for the .75 Legal Update and the .75 Family Dynamics. More information is needed on the rest of the course. How was time spent on each area and qualifications to teach Domestic Violence. The Board could not make a decision based on the materials provided. If the

scenarios for the skills session were given to the Board to review they could make a decision.

Staff has let Patty Cole know that the Family Mediators have to have a certificate per the rules.

4. Unfinished Business- none

5. Communication General- none

6. Board Communication-

a. Board member vacancies-

1. Mental Health Professional- S. Towle is applying for this position. Governor's office is receiving her information a bit at a time.

2. Public Member- R. Cram's position is still vacant.

5. Attorney Member-P. Goldsmith has sent the Governor's office his resume and a letter requesting to stay on the Board.

6. NHCRA Member- Anthony Matrumalo's term is up 11/21/2019
E. Jasina asked if A. Matrumalo could apply to be the public member on the Board replacing R. Cram. Staff let him know what we need to have. Once the information is received, this agency sends it over to the Governor's office with a cover letter for the Governor's consideration. It is easier and quicker if we have everything all together, so we can make sure nothing is missing.

b. NHCRA Nominations-

1. NHCRA Member, Todd Prevett-to replace Susan Towle

2. NHCRA Member, Marianne Rousseau re-nominated to the Board

7. Non-Public Session-

a. Upon the motion of P. Goldsmith and the second of T. Cooper, the Board, by roll call vote, voted to conduct a non-public session at 5:50 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. T. Cooper seconded, roll call vote, and motion passes.

8. Adjournment-

Meeting November 5, 2019

M. Garner made a motion to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. A. Matrumalo seconded, all in favor and motion passes.

Add to agenda next month discussion on carryovers of CEUs