

MSOTA Minutes
October 12, 2012
Butte, MT

- I) Brief Introductions:
 - a. Clinical Members Attending: Michael Scolatti, Hal Lewis, Chuck Newell, Tracy Vaughn, Kevin Wyse, Karen Baumann, Bob Page, Sam Griffel, Blair Hopkins, Chris Nordstrom, Michelle Davis, Michelle Puerner, Andy Hudak, Mike Sullivan, Fred Lemons, Chris Quigley.
 - b. Associate Members Attending: Tom Nielson, Susan Bonin, Brenda Erdelyi,
 - c. Board Members Attending: Jean Keiley,
 - d. 16 of 27 Clinical Members were present for this meeting

- II) Reading of minutes from the Summer Meeting, Minutes were Accepted as Read

- III) Officer reports
 - a. President: Reported on arrangements for Spring Annual Meeting: Chico Hot Springs, May 1, 2, 3 2013
 - b. Vice President: See Legislative Committee
 - c. Treasurer
 - i. Checking: \$9,372.07
 - ii. Savings: \$2,414.32
 - d. Secretary: Web page is up to date for information and membership.

- IV) Committee Meetings/Reports
 - a. Ethics: Did not meet, no issues to address at this time.
 - b. Education/Public Affairs: No current activity
 - c. Legislative
 - i. MCA has the definitions of who can do SO work. Dawn Handa at the summer meeting proposed that the Dept. of Labor be taken from the law and DOC added.
 - ii. Legislation to modify MCA 45-5-503 regarding sentencing for Sexual Intercourse Without Consent
 - d. Membership
 - i. Committee is meeting next week to work on filtering the old test to update.
 - ii. Request for each clinician to send the membership committee three questions, multiple choice, for consideration in the new test. Send to Chris Nordstrom at : chris@compassprofessionalservices.com
 - iii. Current applications will be processed and tested before November so that Oral Board can be administered exams by November
 - iv. Use proxy examiners so that any clinical member can administer the exam to a potential member.
 - v. Equitable training means that the applicant has supervision

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done by or at another institution/state that those hours can be used in lieu of supervision by an MSOTA Clinical member

- vi. **Work Samples put in the application that redacted work samples need to be submitted electronically.**
 - e. Standards: No new activity
- V) Old Business
- a. Chaperone v.s. Supervisor: Discussion
 - i. The goal is to make a distinction between Chaperones and Supervisors Chaperones appear to be family or close friends who supervise family visits. Supervisors in larger public venues?
 - ii. Mike Scolotti: the liability of authorizing a chaperone is not acceptable as currently conceived by most jurisdictions.
 - iii. Andy: setting of standards, we must consider reasonable standards that anybody but the lamest human being in the world would accept. We can't guarantee Chaperone performance.
 - iv. Who accepts the responsibility: the Chaperone or the person approving the Chaperone
 - v. Karen: the chaperone agreements are required almost as soon as clients are out of prison.
 - vi. Chaperone are specifically approved for specific children,
 - vii. MSOTA board of directors are up to five attorneys and can be helpful to review the definitions and programs to train or agreements that Chaperones or Supervisors make if we issue a standardized protocol.
 - viii. Mike & Andy should we return the responsibility for Chaperones to the parties who are indemnified, DOC, DOJ.
 - ix. Hal Lewis, how do clinicians defend themselves against the angry non-offending parent in general or if the Chaperone fails?
 - x. **Membership is requested to send copies of their community supervision and or chaperone agreements to and by fax (406) 721-8744 or email anneh@orimt.org or snail mail to 2821 S. Russell, Missoula, MT 59801**
 - xi. Chris, DOC seems to want to share the liability for chaperone approval, but the discussion doesn't seem to be complete.
 - b. Risk assessment: Bo did send out the text to explain the validity of risk levels from the STATIC 2002.
 - c. Limitations of the risk assessment process the text need to be stated within the risk assessment document. Writer should be able to explain the basis in common language.
 - i. Chris keeps the quotation of numbers and statistics to a minimum, "visceral response to the heinous act does not import

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to actual risk.”

- d. Recruitment efforts of new members to clinical work of treating abusers or expand to other types of providers such as victim therapists. Hall Lewis stated that the Juvenile Probation officers are being required to attend more training and may be motivated to become members for the advantage of the training retreat.

- VI) New Business: Perpare for Legislature: Committee will advise.
- VII) Next meeting time and location May, 1, 2, 3 2013 at Chico Hot Springs.
- VIII) Adjournment 1:30 PM