



**OHIO COUNSELING ASSOCIATION  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING  
Thursday, November 3, 2016, 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm**

**Meeting Minutes**

Name	Role	Attended Y or N
Martha Flemming	President, OCA	Y
Yegan Pillay	President-elect, OCA	Y
Kara Kaelber	Immediate Past President, OCA	Y
Bob Thomas	Executive Director, OCA	Y
Amanda Sines	Lobbyist, OCA	Y
Meredith Montgomery	Secretary, OCA	Y
Jake Protivnak	Archives, OCA	N
Alma Moore	Bylaws, OCA	Y
Jared Rose	Newsletter, OCA	Y
Matt Fullen	Government Affairs, OCA	Y
Tom Davis	Parliamentarian, OCA	Y
Jim Hyland	Treasurer, OCA	Y
Leisl Moriarty	AOCC Conference Planner	N
Chelsea Guerrieri	Finance, OCA	Y
Amy Moore-Ramirez	Awards, OCA	N
Faii Sangganjanavanich	Journal of Counselor Practice Editor	Y
Adrienne Johnson	Leadership Development Comm Chair, OCA	Y
Cassandra Storlie	Leadership Development Comm, OCA	N
Bridget Asempapa	Leadership Development Comm, OCA	N
Jennifer Scott	Membership Chair, OCA	Y
Andrea Longo	Membership Comm, OCA	N
Megan Abdalla	Membership Comm, OCA	N
Sean Gorby	OCSWMFT Liaison	Y
Michael Lewis	Chair, Professional Development Committee & President-elect, OCCA	Y

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Laura Lewis	Membership Committee & COCA	Y
Christie Jenkins	Political Action Committee (PAC)	Y
Mollie Sin-Khay	COCA	N
Stephanie Fellenger	ECCA	N
Steven Durkee	GCCA	Y
Darla Menz	GCCA	N
Susannah Coaston	GCCA	N
Dawn Poindexter	MVCA	Y
Martina Moore	NCOCA	Y
Judith Aungst	NCOCA	N
Christine Banks-VanAllen	NCOCA	N
Alicia Menke	NWOCA	N
George Armitage	NWOCA	N
Juliet Russell	NWOCA	N
Kate Jiggins	SECCA	Y
Paige Stretton	SECCA	N
Mike Desposito	ALGBTIC	Y
Kaden Edwards	ALGBTIC	N
Megan Mahon	OACES	Y
Carese Bates	OAMCD	Y
Nikol Bowen	OMHCA	Y
Ruthann Anderson	OMHCA	N
Ameena Kemavor	OCCA	Y
Julie Lineburgh	OCCA	N
Faii Sangganjanavanich	OCDA	Y
Ryan Wilhelm	OCDA	N
Staci Buckingham	OASGW	Y
Elizabeth Casali	OASGW	N

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Brandi Cooper	OSCA	N
Shawn Grime	OSCA	N
Evan Jackson	OSCA	Y
Marcos Ghali	OASERVIC	Y
Victoria Giegerich	OASERVIC	N
Elif Emir Oksuz	Emerging Leader	Y
David Jones	Emerging Leader	Y

12:00 p.m. – 12:20 p.m.

Call to Order & Welcome

- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda & 8/16 Minutes
  - Motion: Stacy Buckingham
  - Second: Kara Kaelber
  - Vote: passed unanimously

12:20 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.

Officer Reports

- President's Report (Martha Flemming)
  - Thank you for coming & for all of your work.
  - AOCC underway. Over 1700 attendees registered. Max wait time for registration was 12min. That's very good.
  - Moving conference to new space last year because we've maxed out this space. More info to come as options are considered.
- Immediate Past President (Kara Kaelber)
  - Attended Midwest region institute for training. Let us know if you'd like to go in the future. There may be some funds available to support travel.
  - Focusing on membership benefits: webinars, additional CEs, NCE training
  - Editor of Journal of Counseling Practice may be in her last year. Please consider if you are interested & let Kara know.
- President-elect (Yegan Pillay): Nothing to report at this time
  - Look forward to serving you next year.

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- Wants to gather member feedback on how we're doing & what is needed/wanted by the membership.
  - Presented at 1<sup>st</sup> ever conference on mental health in Somalia.
- Treasurer (Jim Hyland)
  - Recent expenditures: new banners & redesigned logo; consistent membership influx
  - He will email mileage form
- Parliamentarian: (Tom Davis)
  - Explained role as parliamentarian
  - Offered support/help/consultation for chapter and division leaders, including training on how to run meetings
- Board Liaison: (Sean Gorby)
  - Immediate issue that needs attention: Proposal by Brian Carnahan (Board Exec Director) to reduce the number of individuals on the board. Reducing # from 15 to 9. Will reduce expenditures. Full details of proposal provided (scanned & attached below).
  - Please provide your feedback/thoughts to Sean via email ([gorby.45@osu.edu](mailto:gorby.45@osu.edu)) so that he can incorporate them into our response before the vote on 11/18.
  - Current representation of state is represented by the proposed makeup of the board.
  - Who is voting? All 15 members (current)
  - The board can change the numbers but they will have to change the law since the makeup of the board is detailed in the law.
  - Board is currently made up of subcommittees. The Board would like to move to a committee as a whole & abolish subcommittees.
  - General discussion of the issue in our meeting included a number of concerns about this proposal. Discussion moved to email. Sean will put together a proposal of our stance & send it electronically for a vote. Please keep an eye out for this issue & respond quickly.
- Legislative Report: (Amanda Sines)
  - See complete Legislative Report
  - PAC funds are required especially if we have specific issues we need to address (such as the Board making decisions we don't support)
- Archive Report: (Jake Protivnak)
  - No report
- Finance: (Chelsea Guerrieri)
  - T-shirt sales are going very quickly

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- By-laws: (Alma Moore)
  - nothing to report
- Ethics: (Jared Rose)
  - nothing to report
- Government Affairs Report: (Matt Folan)
  - Developing a regional representation structure so that issues can get to members quickly.
  - There is some activity in Washington around MH reform.
  - Members need to advocate for Medicare reimbursement. Please look for announcements coming out via email, forward them to your members quickly & encourage members to engage in advocacy efforts. Emails typically include specific advocacy actions members can take. Reminder that advocacy requires repeated efforts.
- Leadership Development: (Adrienne Johnson)
  - 45 registered attendees for the leadership institute held yesterday
  - 3 emerging leaders attending today:
    - Danielle
    - Elif Emir Oksuz
    - David Jones
  - Received \$500 grant to develop further initiatives
- Membership: (Jennifer Scott)
  - Developed new initiatives this year (some are carryovers from leadership last year)
  - Working to improve communication between all constituents
  - Task Force developed by Bob Thomas and Martha Flemming to help connect members to divisions and chapters
    - Meeting tomorrow (11/4) at Fido' Irish Pub at 12pm.
  - Looking at CEs and where in the regions programs are offered so we can reach more members (or potential members) and to encourage attendance at the AOCC
  - Connecting with graduate programs by creating a document of all programs throughout the state. Will now make direct contact with each one.
- Newsletter: (Jared Rose)
  - We need submissions. Please write articles and encourage your members to submit articles.

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- We have regularly assessed the need for the newsletter and consistently find that it is needed. To support its existence, please encourage members to submit.
- Deadline for submissions: end of year.
- Professional Development: (Michael Lewis)
  - Reviewing last couple of years of workshops in preparation for next application as a CE provider.
  - Conducting an internal audit to determine if we are getting representation across the state.
- OCA PAC: (Christie Jenkins)
  - All-time high submission of PAC baskets. We have 15 this year.
  - Please be sure we know the PERSON (not the organization) that submitted your basket. Organizations are not allowed to submit baskets.
  - Please encourage members to purchase the baskets.
- Social Media: (Nicole Hyland)
  - T-shirt designs are very popular.
  - Holding steady with Twitter & Facebook.
  - Please let me know if you are interested in getting more involved.
  - We are not currently using last year's app. We are using the web-based app.

12:50 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Executive Director's Report: (Bob Thomas)

- T-shirt sales are going quickly
- Working on CE approval – should have info by end of November; hope to be renewed by January
- Shopping board liability insurance for best rates
- Working on Dropbox folders – please let Bob know if you are missing things from your Dropbox
- All Chapter & Division presidents now have admin access to the website

1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Chapter Reports

- COCA (Laura Lewis)
  - Table this year (at AOCC). Goals: restructured Exec Council to include 13 positions to reach 18 counties; job descriptions are written & posted on their website; using technology to reach members (& potential members); establishing/maintaining good programming including webinars to help members get access

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- EOCA (presented by Bob Thomas)
  - Competition to offer funds to help members get to AOCC & leadership institute
- GCCA (Steve Durkee)
  - Steve is new president
  - Just held fall event that included other mental health professionals in order to engage in combined efforts
  - Developing relationships with schools in the region
- MVCA (Dawn Poindexter)
  - Good attendance at Exec Council meetings
  - First social & workshop were also well attended
- NCOCA (Judith Aungst)
  - Wkg on building up membership
  - Partnered with local county drug board who has agreed to host a conference for them
- NWOCA (Julie Russell)
  - No report/not present
- SEOCA (Kate Jiggins)
  - Now have treasurer and secretary
  - Newsletter has gone out to members to revitalize chapter

1:15 p.m. - 1:25 p.m.

Division Reports

- ALGBTICO (Mike Desposito)
  - Annual agent of change workshop: 12/24 at Bowling Green University; offering 3 CEs (1 supervision, 1 ethics)
  - Working on organization
  - Education materials committee should be launching on website in January to provide resources for practitioners
- OACES: (Megan Mahon)
  - Reaching out to members, re-engaging people
  - Hosting a spring conference (location TBD)
- OAMCD: (Carese Bates)
  - At a standstill. Please let her know if you are interested in joining)
- OACC (Ameena Kemavor)
  - Spring web-based CE oppty in planning (based on presentation they are giving at AOCC tomorrow)
- OMHCA (Nikol Bowen)
  - Putting together an agenda for this year.

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- OCDA (Faii Sangganjanavanich)
  - Member event in Cleveland in January. Expecting 50-80 attendees.
  - Annual conference in May being held in Columbus. Will have national speakers presenting.
- OASGW (Staci Buckingham)
  - Supervision and group work training in planning.
  - Working on increasing membership.
- OSCA (Evan Jackson)
  - Electing new board members.
  - Identifying new emerging leaders
- OASERVIC (Marcos Ghali)
  - New website – please check it out
  - Newsletter has been published
  - Large conference in January to provide 6 CEs (3 supervision & 3 ethics)
  - Meeting tonight at Northstar – please join!

1:25 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Topics of Discussion (ALL)

- Telemental Health Institute – do we want to be involved? We've been asked to partner with the National Association of Social Workers & other related associations (not named) to share the cost for training on Telehealth (delivery of virtual medical, health, & education services). Training would be via the Telemental Health Institute and includes two-day training that meets the requirements for their Certificate in Telehealth.
  - Telehealth is helping to reach practitioners in rural areas
  - What are the costs? What is the content? What are the logistics?
  - Please send any comments/questions to Martha.
- Has the issue of division membership online been resolved?
  - The technology solution has not been fixed. In the meantime, please send division membership requests to Bob and he will process them.

1:30 pm

Adjournment

- MOTION: Meredith Montgomery
- SECOND: Danielle Winters

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- VOTE: passed unanimously

**2016-2017 Meeting Schedule**

- **August 27, 2015** – Columbus, Ohio
- **September , 2016** - Go-To- Meeting Teleconference
- **November , 2016** – Meeting During the AOCC Conference
- **January , 2017** - Go-to-Meeting Teleconference
- **April , 2017** – Columbus, Ohio

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