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COUNSELING ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 24, 2016

Members Present: Patricia Kerstner, Kathleen Britton, Janet O'Connor

Staff Present: Tobi Zavala, Executive Director; Elma Brambila, Credentialing Specialist

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on March 24, 2016, at 9: 01 a.m., with Dr. Kerstner presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to approve the February 26, 2016, March 11, 2016 general meeting minutes as submitted; and the January 28, 2016 general meeting minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Report from Chair

No report.

5. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General Agency Operations

Members discussed the flow of work and scheduling of appeals. Ms. Brambila will report next month regarding numbers and possible options.

6. Assistant Attorney General's Report: Marc Harris, A.A.G.

No report.

7. Supervisor exemption requests: review, consideration and action

None

8. Applications for reassessment: review, consideration, and action

A. Jennifer Benacci

Members reviewed the reassessment request.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meets minimum requirements.

9. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding requests for deficiency extensions

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to approve the consent agenda as presented granting 60-day extensions to Alexis Baca-Spry and Jayke Schreengost and an exam extension to Maria Torres Vazquez. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding applications requesting review under rules prior to November 1, 2015

Dr. Kerstner moved, seconded by Ms. Britton, to approve the consent agenda as presented granting review under the rules effective prior to November 1, 2015, for the applications of Stephanie Vowter, Tracy Harder, Annamari Hogan, Christian Vazquez and Mirna Pacheco. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Exam accommodation requests: review, consideration and action

None

12. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action

Judith Nelson, LPC applicant

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to rescind this committee's March 11, 2016, motion to deny the application based on not meeting minimum requirements by endorsement. The motion passed unanimously.

Appeals

1. *Jessica Garza*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meets minimum requirements.

2. *Nicole McLaughlin*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meets minimum requirements.

3. *Devon Velasquez*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meets minimum requirements.

4. *Eric Felber*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Ms. Britton, to accept the hours acquired at Red Mountain Behavioral Health Services from 01/02/2015 through 05/07/2015 and the hours acquired at Arizona Behavioral Health Center from 10/22/2012 through 06/01/2015, and to deny the appeal based on continued supervised work experience and clinical supervision deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously.

5. *Ernest Ketelhut*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner to accept PSY 600 Psychological Statistics I and EDP 677 Research Techniques for Research and program evaluation and to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on curriculum deficiencies including a deficiency of 90 direct client contact practicum hours. The motion passed unanimously.

6. *Dawn Nance*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, members requested additional information.

7. *Richard Foss*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meets minimum requirements.

8. *Tiffany Green*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant addressed the committee telephonically.

Following review and discussion, members requested additional information.

9. *Dana Vargas*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members requested additional information.

The Committee took a break for lunch at 11:48 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Dr. Kerstner moved, seconded by Ms. Britton, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 12 applicants as Licensed Professional Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Yevgeniy Slutskiy	Mireya Roe	Lesley Issak	Michelle Marvin
Vanessa Van Dyke	Kirstin Yates	Jacquelyn Leger	Lindsey Fay Burns
Cornelia Angel Branch Moore	Malinda Hadley	Angelika Babcock	Richard Foss

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Ms. Britton, to recommend to the Board to approve Carrie Tremble as a Licensed Professional Counselor by endorsement upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to recommend to the Board to approve Judith Nelson as a Licensed Professional Counselor upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to recommend to the Board to approve Devon Velazquez, Tiffany Krieger, Roberta Appleton, Toni Metzler and Adam Petty as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Ms. O'Connor, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 7 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Ashley Gaede	Nicole McLaughlin	Jessica Garza	Brandon Chatfield
Jennifer Benacci	Nicole Zahri	Jamie Kennedy	

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Ms. Britton, to recommend to the Board to approve Ambyre Droddy as a Licensed Associate Counselor upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam, the required license issuance fee and the Board's disposition of the background investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to recommend to the Board to deny Debra Shipley and Catherine Campbell based on their failure to establish that they meet minimum requirements in education and/or supervised work experience. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Ms. Britton, to recommend to the Board to deny Haley Nunn based on her failure to establish that she meets minimum requirements by endorsement. The motion passed unanimously.

Following review, members requested additional information on the following applications:

Diane Pedretti	Monica Carpentieri	Hannah Nunez	Ann Papagalos
Stephen Serrato	Alicia Donovan	Rhiannon Cruz	Ruth Wheeler
Lauren Dixon	Kristen Norton	Joseph Delagrave	Gabrielle Loomis
Alena Garcia	Jeannie Bennett	Jill Slocum	Sondra Urquidez Atkinson
Sarah Cowles	Carla Grace	Laura Oliver	

13. Applications for educational programs: review, consideration and possible action.

None

14. Future agenda items

None

15. Call for public comment

No one was present to respond to the call for public comment.

16. Establishment of future meeting dates

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 22, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central Avenue, Room 1705.

17. Adjournment

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Janet O'Connor
Secretary/Treasurer

Date