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COUNSELING CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, April 22, 2011

Members Present: Laura de Blank, Patrick Goodman, Paula Artac, Yvonne Fortier, Katherine Bloom

Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Doreen Romney, Mary Wilson

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on April 22, 2011, at 9:05 a.m., with Ms. de Blank presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to approve the general meeting minutes from the March 25, 2011, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Review, consideration and action of complaints and other disciplinary matters

Pending complaints represent unproven allegations. On investigation, many complaints are found to be without merit or not of sufficient seriousness to merit disciplinary action against the licensee and are dismissed. Action by the committee on all disciplinary matters is a recommendation only. All final decisions are made by the Board.

Ms. de Blank reviewed the procedures for conducting an informal meeting.

A. 2010-0050, Margaret Beresford, LPC-1768

Ms. Artac indicated that she has met the professional, but she is not aware of anything that would prevent her from making an unbiased objective decision in this matter.

Ms. Rinaudo summarized the results of the Board's investigation.

The complainant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

The professional and her attorney, Susan Trujillo, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following discussion by members, Ms. Artac moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to recommend to the Board to dismiss the complaint. The motion passed unanimously.

B. 2011-0093, Janet McFarland, LAC-12775

Ms. Rinaudo summarized the results of the Board's background investigation regarding the professional's criminal conviction.

The applicant and her friend, Trudy Kirkley, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following discussion by members, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to find the following violations:

- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(a), conviction of a felony
- A.R.S. §32-3208(A), a health professional who has been charged with a felony must notify the Board in writing within 10 working days after the charge is filed

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to recommend to the Board to offer a consent agreement for the voluntary surrender of the professional's license and, if not signed, to remand the matter to formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Report from the Chair

No report

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General Agency Operations

No report.

B. Update regarding budget negotiations

No report.

C. Discussion regarding Governor's veto of SB1288

Ms. Rinaudo reviewed SB1288 and the Governor's veto letter.

D. Discussion regarding application review process

Ms. Rinaudo provided training regarding file reviews and member responsibilities.

The committee took a break at 10:43 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:54 a.m.

7. Board, committees and subcommittee reports

None

8. National and regional trends and news regarding the profession(s)

None

9. Supervisor exemption requests: review, consideration and action

None

10. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action of requests for inactive status and extension requests

None

11. Inactive status extension or exam extension requests: review, consideration and action

William Steiniger

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the request for an extension to inactive status.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. de Blank moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to deny the request for an extension of inactive status based on a determination that the professional's incarceration did not establish good cause. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Applications for renewal: review, consideration and action

None

13. Applications for reassessment: review, consideration and action

None

The committee took a break to review files at 11:25 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 12:00 p.m.

The committee took a break for lunch at 12:00 p.m., reconvening its public meeting at 1:00 p.m.

14. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action

Cristina Yturralde-Whitley

Aurelio Duarte-Encinas

Ms. de Blank moved, seconded by Ms. Artac, to rescind this committee's December 13, 2010, motion to recommend to the Board to deny the applications. The motion passed unanimously.

Appeals

A. Patricia DeBruhl

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Ms. de Blank, to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to establish that she meets minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Lynda Bull

Ms. Artac is recused from all matters involving the applicant.

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to deny the appeal based on continuing deficiencies in supervised work experience. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Karla Lynn Milloy

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

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

D. Rachel Houseman

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. de Blank moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to deny the appeal based on continuing deficiencies in clinical supervision. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Leah Thomas

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Ms. Artac, to accept work experience from February 1, 2009, through May 31, 2009, and to deny the appeal based on continuing deficiencies in supervised work experience. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Raymond Mitchell

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to deny the appeal based on continuing deficiencies in curriculum and supervised work experience. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Sarah VanHolland

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Artac moved, seconded by Ms. de Blank, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to establish that her clinical supervisor meets minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Julia Weinberg

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

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

I. Alice Brangan

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant addressed the committee telephonically.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to deny the appeal based on continuing deficiencies in supervised work experience and approved practicum hours. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee went off record to review files at 3:00 p.m., reconvening its public meeting 3:45 p.m.

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to recommend to the Board to approve Kelli Center, Rachel Flann-Willis and Julia Weinberg as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee and a passing score on the required exam. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 8 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Maryann Talle	Heather Berger	Cecilia Toledo de Encinas	Marcella Wigen
Tess Reese	Julia Gunther	Cristina Jimenez-Ponce	Karla Lynn Milloy

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Artac was recused from the vote.

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to recommend to the Board to approve Chad Snyder, Tally Iskovitz and Carol Larson as Licensed Professional Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Artac moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to deny the following 6 applicants based on their failure to establish that they meet minimum requirements in education and/or supervised work experience:

Erin Patterson	Autumn Simonds	Jeanne Charleton
Joshua White	Genevieve Seivert	Tiffany Lupton-Stegall

The motion passed unanimously.

16. Future agenda items

Discussion regarding whether a syllabus for an MFT course has to specify work with couples

17. Call for public comment

No one asked to speak in response to the call for public comment.

18. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 16, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central Avenue, Room 908.

19. Adjournment

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Artac, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

Katherine Bloom
Secretary/Treasurer

Date