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COUNSELING CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, June 22, 2012

Members Present: Yvonne Fortier, Patrick Goodman, Deborah Pettitt, Don DeValle, John Stevens (out at 10:55 a.m.)

Staff Present: Patricia Reynolds, Deputy Director, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Michelle Clinkenbeard, Investigator, Doreen Romney, Elma Brambila

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on June 22, 2012, at 9:03 a.m., with Mr. Goodman presiding.

2. **Roll Call**

See above.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Pettitt moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to approve the general meeting minutes from the May 25, 2012, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. DeValle and Mr. Stevens abstained from the vote.

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.

A. *Da'Mond Gadson, LAC-13467*

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

The professional and his supervisor, Glenn Cummings, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to open a complaint and find the following violations:

- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(b), use of fraud or deceit in connection with rendering services
- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(n), failing to comply with or violating any rule adopted pursuant to this chapter, as it relates to A.A.C. R4-6-205, change of address notification
- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(ll), being the subject of adverse action related to a professional license

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pettitt, to recommend to the Board to accept a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional's license shall be suspended for 6 months
- The suspension shall be stayed as long as the professional is compliant with the consent agreement
- The professional shall complete 24 months of work experience at an agency licensed by the Office of Behavioral Health Licensure
- While on probation, the professional shall only provide behavioral health services while working in an OBHL licensed agency

- The professional shall complete a 3-semester credit hour pre-approved graduate level course in behavioral health ethics within 12 months
- The professional shall receive one hour of weekly clinical supervision for 24 months
- The clinical supervision shall focus on ethics and accurate professional representations
- The professional shall complete 6-clock hours of pre-approved continuing education addressing current behavioral health clinical documentation standards

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Report from the Chair

No report

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General Agency Operations

Ms. Pettitt requested information regarding the curriculum review subcommittee

B. Discussion regarding application review process

No report.

C. Update/report regarding Sunset Review audit

Ms. Reynolds provided an update regarding the performance audit.

D. Review, consideration and possible action regarding independent level licensure applications where:

- *The forms used in the agency where the applicant practices do not meet Board minimum documentation standards, and/or*
- *The forms used in the agency where the applicant practices include provisions required by the Board's documentation standards, but are presented in such a way as to make it extremely unlikely/impossible for clients to understand them.*

Tabled

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

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Pettitt, to approve the consent agenda as reviewed by Ms. Fortier, granting 60-day extensions to Patrice Bishop and Byron Watson. The motion passed unanimously.

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

A. Carolyn Jaedecke, exam accommodation request

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the request for an exam accommodation.

Following review, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to approve the request for an exam accommodation. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Re-review of applications denied pursuant to A.A.C. R4-6-212(J) and (K) deficiencies

None

13. Applications for reassessment: review, consideration and action

A. Brandi Gaskill

Members reviewed the request for reassessment.

Following review, members agreed the applicant meets minimum requirements.

B. Janis Allard

Members reviewed the request for reassessment.

Following review, members agreed the applicant meets minimum requirements.

The committee took a break to review files at 10:55 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

Appeals

1. Tania Lopez-Cepero

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to go into executive session to receive legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3). The motion passed unanimously and the committee went into executive session at 1:43 p.m., reconvening its public meeting at 1:51 p.m.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Pettitt moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to produce an official transcript that includes the 12 deficient credit hours. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Jody Pennington

Mr. DeValle recused himself from all matters involving Ms. Pennington.

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

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

3. Tonya Kinnaman

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant and her attorney, Neil Harrington, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to go into executive session to receive legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3). The motion passed unanimously and the committee went into executive session at 10:06 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Mr. DeValle, to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to establish her clinical supervision documentation was in compliance with A.A.C. R4-6-212(F)(4)(d) and R4-6-212(F)(4)(e). The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Mr. DeValle, to recommend to the Board to also deny the license based on the applicant's failure to provide independent verification of her work experience hours. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Pettitt moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to request that the Board consider the option of making a good cause exception to the requirements of A.A.C. R4-6-212(F) based on the quality of the clinical supervision presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. *Jennifer Stevenson*

Tabled

5. *John Hope*

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. DeValle moved, seconded by Ms. Pettitt, to deny the appeal based on the following:

- The applicant's failure to submit a written verification of his teaching credential
- The applicant's failure to submit evidence he completed a qualifying degree
- Submissions of a work experience form where the numbers appear to have been modified where it cannot be determined who changed the numbers and why they were changed
- The applicant's failure to complete supervised work experience following completion of a qualifying graduate degree
- The applicant's failure to submit a completed supervisor exemption request with required supporting documents

The motion passed unanimously.

6. *Angela Berry*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to establish she completed a course in Basic Counseling Skills in the Helping Relationship. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee reviewed files from 2:10 p.m., reconvening its public meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 7 applicants as Licensed Professional Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Janis Allard	Jennifer Kahn	Hanna Vandendriessche	Tiffany Whitaker
Jody Pennington	Cynthia Wilhelms	Dustin Wagner	

The motion passed unanimously. Mr. DeValle was recused from the vote.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 6 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Latonya Lawrence	Timothy Allen	Rachel Taylor-Smith
Jamie Bustamante	Randall Rollinson	Anthony Ludwig

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. DeValle moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 3 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and the required license issuance fee:

Brandi Gaskill	Carolyn Jaedecke	Michelle Marks
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The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to deny the following 7 applicants based on their failure to establish that they meet minimum requirements in education and/or supervised work experience:

Jose Bucio
Martha Affeld

David Vogt
Amanda Collins

Bennett Edgerly
Raman Eremia

Monica Kapcsos

The motion passed unanimously. Mr. DeValle abstained from the vote.

16. Future agenda items

None

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 Friday, July 27, 2012, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central Avenue, Room 908.

19. Adjournment

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

Yvonne Fortier
Secretary/Treasurer

Date