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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 12, 2013

Members Present: Nancy Groppenbacher, Ellen LaBelle, Gloria Gabler, Mary Doyle, Jessica Thomas

Staff Present: Michelle Clinkenbeard, Deputy Director, Elma Brambila, Credentialing Specialist, Mary Wilson

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on June 12, 2013, at 9:14 a.m. with Ms. Groppenbacher presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to approve the general meeting minutes from the April 10, 2013, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Groppenbacher abstained from the vote.

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to approve the teleconference minutes from the March 18, 2013, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. LaBelle and Ms. Doyle 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.

None

5. Report from the Chair and items for review, consideration and possible action

No report.

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General agency operations

Ms. Clinkenbeard provided information in response to a member who questioned the rumors she is hearing about the agency and pending legislation.

B. Application review process requirements

No report.

C. Review and discussion regarding paperless system for meeting materials

Ms. Clinkenbeard reminded members to protect the confidentiality of information stored electronically.

D. Annual election of Chair and Secretary

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to nominate Ms. Groppenbacher to continue to serve as Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to nominate Ms. LaBelle to continue to serve as Secretary. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **Committee reports/matters**

None

8. **National and regional news regarding the profession**

None

9. **Review, consideration and action of supervisor exemption requests**

A. *Marshall Walters (Valerie Kemper, AZ psychologist)*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the request for supervisor exemption.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to approve the request for a supervisor exemption. The motion passed unanimously.

B. *Review of supervisor exemption request information*

Members reviewed information gathered regarding requests for supervisor exemptions.

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to accept out-of-state LMFT supervisor exemption requests with the exemption form, verification of license and proof of continuing education in clinical supervision, except for professionals licensed in California. The motion passed unanimously.

10. **Review, consideration and action regarding applications for reassessment**

A. *Brooke Mansour*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the request for reassessment.

Following review, members agreed that the applicant meets minimum requirements under licensure.

11. **Review, consideration and action of consent agenda for applications for deficiency extensions and inactive status**

None

12. **Review, consideration and action of requests for exam accommodations and inactive extensions**

None

13. **Review, consideration and action regarding applications for licensure**

A. *Edith Moore, LPC applicant*

Ms. Thomas moved, seconded by Dr. Gabler, to rescind this committee's April 10, 2013, motion to recommend to the Board to deny the application based on failure to meet minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Appeals

A. *Kierra Wong*

Members reviewed the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to accept MCP5106, MCP5107, MCPI5616, MCP5610, PSYCH545, MCPI5103 and MCPI5104 and to deny the appeal based on a continued curriculum deficiency in research. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee took a break at 10:05 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:15 a.m.

B. *Marcia Michaels*

Ms. Groppenbacher and Ms. Doyle recused from all matters involving the professional.

Members reviewed information regarding the 2 courses that were not reviewed at the appeal last month.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to add deficiencies in Research and Professional studies to the appeal denial from the April meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Curtis Jensen

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

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

D. Jonathan Statt

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant's attorney, Larry Cohen, appeared and addressed the committee.

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

The committee broke to review files at 11:06 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Ms. Thomas moved, seconded by Dr. Gabler, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 5 applicants as Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Jonathan Statt
Brooke Mansour

Rochelle Aquila
Colleen Morris

Amy Hesler

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Doyle and Ms. Groppenbacher abstained from the vote.

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to recommend to the Board to approve Olivia Klotz and Jillian Jesalva as Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapists upon receipt of a favorable fingerprint report, receipt of a passing score on the required exam and receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to recommend to the Board to approve Curtis Jensen and Ashley Huffman as Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapists upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Doyle abstained from the vote.

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to recommend to the Board to approve Kathleen Henry as a Reciprocal Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to recommend to the Board to deny the following 5 applicants based on their failure to establish that they meet minimum licensure requirements:

Jennifer Dean
Maxwell Polasko

Sarahi Hernandez
Marshall Walters

Rosa Ruelas

The motion passed unanimously.

14. Future agenda items

None

15. Call for public comment

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

16. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. at 3443 North Central Avenue, 9th floor.

17. Adjournment

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 11:06 a.m. and the committee took a break to review files.

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Ellen LaBelle
Secretary/Treasurer

Date