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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, November 14, 2012

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

Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Executive Director, Patricia Reynolds, Enforcement Manager, Michelle Clinkenbeard, Investigator, Elma Brambila, Mary Wilson

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on November 14, 2012, at 9:04 a.m. with Ms. Groppenbacher presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to approve the general meeting minutes from the September 12, 2012, 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.

A. 2011-0049, Harry Cole, LMFT-10281

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

The complainant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

The professional and his attorney, Charles Hover, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Thomas moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to find that the complaint is without merit pursuant to A.R.S. §32-3281(D)(1), and remove it from the professional's complaint history pursuant to A.R.S. §32-3281(E). The motion passed unanimously.

B. Richard Starbuck, LAMFT applicant

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

The applicant and his clinical supervisor appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to open a complaint and recommend to the Board to dismiss the complaint with a letter of concern regarding the failure to disclose. The motion passed unanimously.

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

A. Presentation by the Blake Foundation

Laura Waterman and Sheila May presented information regarding psychotherapy with small children that is provided at the Blake Foundation.

After a brief discussion, committee members thanked Dr. Waterman and Ms. May for their presentation.

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General agency operations

No report.

B. Application review process requirements

No report.

C. Training regarding dismissals pursuant to A.R.S. §32-3281(D)

Ms. Clinkenbeard provided information regarding the committee's ability to dismiss certain types of complaints.

7. Committee reports/matters

None

8. National and regional news regarding the profession

None

9. Review, consideration and action of supervisor exemption requests

None

10. Review, consideration and action regarding applications for reassessment

None

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

Ms. Thompson moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to approve the consent agenda as reviewed by Ms. LaBelle granting inactive status to Shannon Kelli Forsythe. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Doyle was out of the room during the vote.

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

None

13. Review, consideration and action regarding applications for licensure

Independent Contractor

Jonathan Statt (Renewal Center, Inc)

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the work experience acquired as an independent contractor.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to deny the work experience acquired as an independent contractor at the Renewal Center based on:

- Work experience and clinical supervision dates are not the same
- Contemporaneous clinical supervision documentation does not meet minimum requirements
- The contract does not provide for direct supervision of the applicant

The motion passed unanimously.

Independent Clinical Supervisors

Jonathan Statt (Heather Reimann, LMFT)

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the outside supervisor.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to approve the outside supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

Jonathan Statt (Jo-Ann Marks, LMFT)

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the outside supervisor.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to deny the outside supervisor based on failure to establish that clinical supervision documentation specific to the work experience that meets minimum requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Minon Maier (Rachel Thomas, LMFT)

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the outside supervisor.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. LaBelle moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to accept the outside supervisor. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Doyle recused from the vote.

Appeals

A. *Pennie Leggett*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant and her supervisor, Carolyn Newsome, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to deny the appeal based on the reasons previously stated. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. LaBelle abstained from the vote.

B. *Michael Brown*

No new information was submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to deny the appeal based on the reasons previously stated. The motion passed unanimously.

C. *Suzette Dufresne*

Ms. Doyle and Ms. Groppenbacher recused themselves from all matters involving the applicant.

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, Ms. LaBelle moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to accept SWG606 for Human Development and deny the appeal based on continuing curriculum deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Doyle and Ms. Groppenbacher were recused from the vote.

D. *Marcia Michaels*

Ms. Doyle and Ms. Groppenbacher recused themselves from all matters involving the applicant.

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant addressed the committee telephonically.

Following review and discussion, members requested additional information.

The committee broke to review files at 12:02 p.m., reconvening its public meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Dr. Gabler, to recommend to the Board to approve Richard Starbuck as a Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapist upon the Board's dismissal of the complaint with a letter of concern and receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. LaBelle moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 3 applicants 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:

Aliza Kravitz
Melody Orak

Danielle Vaquer

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

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to recommend to the Board to approve Minon Maier as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Doyle was recused from the vote.

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to recommend to the Board to deny Jonathan Statt and Curtis Jensen based on their failure to establish that they meet minimum licensure requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Future agenda items

None

15. Call for public comment

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

16. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

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

17. Adjournment

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

Ellen LaBelle
Secretary/Treasurer

Date