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SUBSTANCE ABUSE CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, July 19, 2012

Members present: Cynthia Pio-Padilla, David Rick Campbell, Gerald Szymanski
Members by phone: Kirk Bowden
Member absent: Nikole Hintz-Lyon
Staff present: Debra Rinaudo, Executive Director, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Michelle Clinkenbeard, Board Investigator, Elma Brambila, Mary Wilson

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on July 19, 2012, at 9:05 a.m. with Ms. Pio-Padilla presiding.

2. **Roll Call**

See above.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the minutes was tabled due to a lack of quorum of members who were present at the June meeting.

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. *Ralston Caldwell, R-LAC applicant*

Ms. Rinaudo summarized the results of the background investigation.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Szymanski moved, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to open a complaint. The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by Mr. Szymanski, to recommend to the Board find the following violations:

- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(l), any conduct, practice or condition that impairs the ability of the licensee to safely and competently practice
- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(c)(i), any oral or written misrepresentation of a fact by an applicant in an attempt to secure a license
- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(o), failing to furnish information within a specified time to the Board or its investigators if legally requested by the Board
- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(b), use of fraud or deceit in connection with rendering services as a licensee

and to deny the application based on a finding of unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. §32-3275. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Members reviewed an informational letter Board staff prepared addressing Board standards for clinical supervision documentation. The letter was sent to the RBHAs and the Council of Human Service Providers for distribution to its member agencies.

B. Discussion regarding application review process requirements

No report.

C. Update regarding Sunset Review audit

Ms. Rinaudo provided an update regarding the Board's performance audit.

D. Information regarding revised process for limiting complaint presentations

Ms. Rinaudo reported regarding a request received during the ongoing stakeholder discussions that the Board allow the complainant and the licensee to have the same amount of time to address a committee as that used by Board staff to present a case. Staff agreed to try this process for a limited time period to assess whether it has a significant impact on the committees' ability to process complaints.

E. Assigning appeals for review by individual members

Members agreed to try having agenda items assigned to individual members so that member can lead the committee discussion.

F. Open meeting law training

Tabled

7. Board, committee and subcommittee reports (discuss and possible action)

No report.

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

No report.

9 Supervisor exemption requests: review, consideration and action

A. Becky Goudy (Clarice Parham, LPC)

Ms. Pio-Padilla recused from all matters involving Ms. Goudy.

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

Following review and discussion, Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to deny the request for a supervisor exemption based on the applicant's failure to establish the supervisor had qualifying experience and education in substance abuse counseling. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Applications for renewal: review, consideration and action

None

11. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding requests for extensions and inactive status

Mr. Szymanski moved, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the consent agenda as reviewed by Ms. Pio-Padilla, granting a 60-day extension to Austin Reina. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Applications for inactive extension requests: review, consideration and action

A. Linda Mena, Inactive extension request

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

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Szymanski moved, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the request for an extension of inactive status based on a finding of good cause. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Bowden abstained from the vote.

13. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action

Appeals

A. *Sandra Baran*

Tabled

B. *Joyce Kinikin*

Ms. Pio-Padilla recused from all matters involving the applicant.

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant and her supervisor, Jennifer Williamson, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to deny the appeal for the reasons previously stated. The motion passed unanimously.

C. *Xioli Wang*

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. Campbell moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to deny the appeal for the reasons previously stated. The motion passed unanimously.

D. *Katherine Bloom*

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. Szymanski moved, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to accept EPS590 Drug and Alcohol Abuse and to deny the appeal based on continuing curriculum deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously.

E. *Christine Driscoll*

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.

F. *Veronica Jeffus*

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. Szymanski moved, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to deny the appeal based on continuing curriculum deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee reviewed files from 10:55 a.m. through 12:59 p.m.

Ms. Pio-Padilla moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 3 applicants as Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Christopher Kraemer Christine Driscoll
Benjamin Burke

The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bowden moved, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to recommend to the Board to deny the following 3 applicants based on their failure to meet minimum licensure requirements:

Becky Goudy Ramie Hansen
Deborah Johansen

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Pio-Padilla was recused from the vote.

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 August 16, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. at 3443 North Central, Room 908.

17. Adjournment

Ms. Pio-Padilla moved, seconded by Dr. Bowden, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Cynthia Pio-Padilla
Secretary/Treasurer

Date