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SOCIAL WORK CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, February 8, 2013

**AMENDED**

Members Present: Doug Mitchell, Stephen Lankton, Cedric Davis, Kathryn Sinnott, Gary Robbins

Staff Present: Patricia Reynolds, Enforcement Manager, Debra Rinaudo, Executive Director, Michelle Clinkenbeard, Board Staff, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Mary Wilson

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on February 8, 2013, at 9:05 a.m. with Mr. Mitchell presiding.

**2. Roll Call**

See above.

**3. Review and Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to approve the general meeting minutes from the January 11, 2013, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Sinnott 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. Except as provided by A.R.S. §§32-3281(D)(1) and 32-3281(E), action by the committee on all disciplinary matters is a recommendation only. All final decisions are made by the Board.*

**A. 2012-0104, Deborah Cosgrove, LASAC-13121 (suspended)**

Ms. Reynolds summarized the results of the investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

The professional was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the board to dismiss the complaint without prejudice. The motion passed unanimously.

**B. 2011-0077, Mark Morton, LCSW-1722**

Ms. Reynolds summarized the results of the investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

The professional appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to recommend to the Board to dismiss the complaint with a letter of concern addressing the importance of the need to document all contacts, have signed requests for information in a file and have the client record conform to all applicable statutes. The motion passed unanimously.

**C. 2013-0046, Roberto Torres, LCSW-11599**

Ms. Reynolds summarized the results of the investigation.

The complainant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

The professional was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to find that the complaint is without merit pursuant to A.R.S. §32-3281(D)(1), remove it from the professional's complaint history pursuant to A.R.S. §32-3281(E). 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*

No report.

*B. Discussion regarding application review process requirements*

No report.

*C. Senate Bill 1374 (SB1374)*

Mr. Harris provided information regarding SB1374 and noted that the first hearing is Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at 2 PM.

*D. Mr. Robbins' proposed legislative and other changes regarding the Board*

Mr. Robbins deferred to SB1374 stating that Senator Barto did a much better job of presenting his ideas. Mr. Robbins informed the committee that he submitted his letter to the legislature on January 31, 2013.

Members discussed the items/issues brought out in the letter and developed the committee's response to be sent to the legislature in answer.

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to draft a letter to the legislature in response to Mr. Robbins letter to the legislature and to have a telephonic meeting Monday to finalize that response. The motion carried with Mr. Robbins opposed.

**7. Board, Committee and Subcommittee reports (discussion and possible action)**

None

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

None

**9. Review, consideration and action of supervision/work experience and/or exemptions**

*A. Megan Schwallie (Keith Wallace, LCSW-IL)*

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

Following review and discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to deny the request for a supervisor exemption for hours acquired from Keith Wallace, LCSW-IL, based on the applicant's failure to establish the supervisor had completed 12 hours of continuing education in clinical supervision. The motion passed unanimously.

*B. Megan Schwallie (Karen Pierce, MD-IL)*

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

Following review and discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Sinnott, to deny the request for a supervisor exemption for hours acquired from Karen Pierce, MD-IL, based on the applicant's failure to establish the supervisor had completed 12 hours of continuing education in clinical supervision. The motion passed unanimously.

*C. Stephanie Nicholas (Virginia Garner, LPC)*

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

Following review and discussion, Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to approve the request for supervisor exemption for hours acquired from Virginia Garner, LPC. The motion passed unanimously.

**10. Applications for reassessment**

None

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

Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Robbins, to approve the consent agenda as reviewed by Mr. Lankton granting inactive status to Jay Rathburn and Jamie Reinhardt-Larue. The motion passed unanimously.

**12. Review, consideration and action regarding exam accommodations, exam extensions and inactive extensions**

*A. Jennifer Mallowney, Inactive status extension request*

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

Following review and discussion, Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Robbins, to approve the request for an extension of inactive status based on the applicant's establishment of good cause. The motion passed unanimously.

*B. Stephanie Cothcher, Inactive status extension request*

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

Following review and discussion, Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Robbins, to approve the request for an extension of inactive status based on the applicant's establishment of good cause. The motion passed unanimously.

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

*The committee broke to review files at 11:15 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 11:43 a.m.*

Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to recommend to the Board to approve Steve Lee as a Licensed Associate Counselor upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and receipt of the Board's license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the Board to approve Delynn Lamb as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the Board to approve Cheryl Ellis as a Licensed Master Social Worker upon receipt the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the Board to approve Zulma Raffo and Stephanie Nicholas as Licensed Clinical Social Workers upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 20 applicants as Licensed Master Social Workers upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and upon receipt of the required license issuance fee:

Kevin O'Cain	Alison Laughlin	Kevin Wu	LaKendra Grimes
Marina Hinojos	Diana Haymore	Patricia Demeroto	Katie McSpadden
Vimbai Madzura	Elizabeth Langbauer	Andrea Valenti	Marisa Spletter
Jessica Martin	Minnie Clay	Janett ZaZueta	Charlie Morris
Courtney Martin	Melody Griffith	Maria Harris	Kelli Dollins

The motion passed unanimously.

**14. Future agenda items**

None

**15. Call for public comment**

A student expressed her concern at Mr. Robbins attitude when he has no knowledge of the field of behavioral health.

**16. Establishment of future meeting date(s)**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 8, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. at 3443 North Central Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> floor conference room.

**17. Adjournment**

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.

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Steve Lankton, Secretary

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Date