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SOCIAL WORK CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, January 14, 2011

Members Present: Douglas Mitchell, Stephen Lankton, Cedric Davis (in at 9:19 a.m.), Vicki Dawson

Members Absent: Karla Foltz

Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Mary Wilson, Elma Brambila

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on January 14, 2011, at 9:06 a.m. with Mr. Mitchell presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

Ms. Dawson moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to approve the general meeting minutes from the December 10, 2010, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Dawson moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to approve the 9:55 a.m. executive session minutes from the December 10, 2010, 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. 2010-0070, Paula De Benedetto, LCSW-1922

Ms. Rinaudo summarized the results of the Board's background investigation.

The professional and her attorney, Steven Myers, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, 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 9:38 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 9:46 a.m.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to find the following violations:

- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(p), failing to conform to minimum practice standards as developed by the Board, as it relates to the following:
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1101
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1102
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1103
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1105

- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(k), any conduct or practice that is contrary to recognized standards of ethics, as it relates to the NASW Code of Ethics Section 1.06, Conflicts of Interest

The motion carried with Ms. Dawson opposed.

Following further discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Dawson, to recommend to the Board to accept a consent agreement with the following stipulations:

- The license will be placed on probation
- Completion of 6 months of clinical supervision by a pre-approved clinical supervisor
- Monthly clinical supervision meetings focusing on current behavioral health documentation requirements, conflicts of interest and confidentiality
- Each supervision session shall include a review of at least 3 randomly chosen client records
- Quarterly supervision report reports
- Completion of 6 clock hours of the NASW Staying Out of Trouble course or an equivalent course

The motion passed unanimously.

The committee took a break at 10:25 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:31 a.m.

B. Jeffrey Taylor, LMSW-10568 (expired) and LCSW applicant

Ms. Rinaudo summarized information received during the investigation of a complaint filed by the professional.

The professional appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Dawson moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

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

A. Report from ASWB Delegate meeting

Tabled.

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General Agency Operations

None.

B. Consent agreement language

Following review and discussion, members agreed that standard language in future consent agreements will require that clinical supervisions sessions be individual only and that AA attendance be in-person only.

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

None

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

None

10. Applications for renewal: review, consideration and action

None

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

Ms. Dawson moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to approve the consent agenda as reviewed by Mr. Lankton granting 60-day extensions to Charles Coleman and a 2nd 60 day extension to Sharise Bijou and inactive status to Jane Burch and Kamaria Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

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

A. Jessica Woodruff, Exam extension request

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

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Dawson, to approve the applicant's request for an exam extension. The motion passed unanimously.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, to give the applicant an extension of 3 additional months. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Michael Beauvais, Exam extension request

Mr. Mitchell recused himself from all matters involving Mr. Beauvais.

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

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to approve the applicant's request for an exam extension. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Mitchell was recused from the vote.

Following further review and discussion, Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to give the applicant an extension of 3 additional months. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Mitchell was recused from the vote.

13. Review, consideration and action regarding applications for licensure

Appeals

Joshua Redlin

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared telephonically and addressed the committee.

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

Tiffany Gallego

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant and her attorney, Michelle Thompson, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Ms. Dawson, 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 11: 10 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 11:32 a.m.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to establish that her clinical supervision meets requirements set forth in A.A.C. R4-6-210(1). The motion passed unanimously.

Hannah Rawhouser

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant and her supervisor, Matthew Watson, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members requested additional information regarding the professional's work experience.

The committee took a break to review files at 12:34 p.m., reconvening its public meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Ms. Dawson moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the Board to approve Lynne Lepore as a Licensed Master Social Worker upon receipt of a favorable fingerprint report, a passing score on the required exam, and the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Dawson moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the Board to approve Barbara Tracer as a Reciprocal Licensed Clinical Social Worker upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. Dawson, to recommend to the Board to approve Kathleen Gerstner as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lankton moved, seconded by Ms. Dawson, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 2 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.

Daniel Cook Joshua Redlin

Ms. Dawson moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 13 applicants as Licensed Master Social Workers upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and upon receipt of the license issuance fee:

Amanda Blackhorse	Sarah Grumbley	Breann Smyly
Misty Dillon	Korah Hoffman	
Carli Diquattro	Andrea McCluskey	
Sarah Emerson	Kerri McKinney	
Xela Goodman	Chad Metz	
Matthew Gordon	Mary Ojeda	

14. Future agenda items

None

15. Call for public comment

None

16. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 11, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. at 3443 North Central Avenue, 9th floor conference room.

17. Adjournment

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Lankton, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 1:21 p.m.

Steve Lankton, Secretary

Date