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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, March 20, 2020

Member Present: Lesley Wimmer
Member Present Telephonically: Keith Cross

Staff Present: Elma Brambila, Credential Manager; Jenny Webb, Credentialing Specialist; Zuri De Lucio, Credentialing Specialist

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order March 20, 2020, at 9:01 a.m. with Ms. Wimmer presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

A. January 17, 2020 general meeting minutes

Ms. Wimmer moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to approve the general meeting minutes from the January 17, 2020, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Report from the Chair: items for review, consideration and action

No report.

5. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General agency operations

No report

6. Assistant Attorney General's Report: Marc Harris, A.A.G.

No report

7. Supervisor exemption request: review, consideration and action

A. Catherine Athanasopoulos (Sarah Leone, LCSW, outside clinical supervisor)

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Cross, moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer to approve the request for an outside clinical supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Deborah Christensen (Christina Romano, LPC, outside clinical supervisor)

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Cross, moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer to approve the request for an outside clinical supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Ginka Conrey (Ryan Sheade, LCSW, outside clinical supervisor)

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Wimmer, moved, seconded by Dr. Cross to approve the request for an outside clinical supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding 60 day extension request for deficiencies and 90 day extension for examination

- A. *Richard Jones, LASAC Applicant (90 day exam extension)*
- B. *Danielle Le Blanc, LPC Applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- C. *Nicole Schutzbank, LAC Applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*

Ms. Wimmer, moved, seconded by Dr. Cross to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding applications requesting review under rules prior to November 1, 2015

None

10. Exam accommodation and/or 90-day waiver request: review, consideration and action

None

11. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action

- A. *Review, consideration, and possible action regarding applications for licensure*

Ms. Wimmer moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to recommend to approve Blanca Bertrand and Cameron Lee as Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Wimmer moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to recommend to the Board to deny Marissa Balsino and Ronald Ruanto based on their failure to establish that they meet minimum licensure requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Applicant Rachel Schindler – tabled.

The committee requested additional information on the following applications:

Yasmin Galicianava Andrew Hiemstra Angela Hiser-Martinez Rachel White

B. *Appeals*

1. *Bonnie Brabson, LAMFT Applicant*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared telephonically and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members requested additional information.

2. *Benjamin Thornley, LAMFT Applicant*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Wimmer moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on not meeting minimum education requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Applications for educational programs: review, consideration and action

A. Fuller Theological Seminary Master of Science in Marital and Family Therapy change request
Members reviewed information submitted in support of the request for program change approval.

Dr. Gloria Gabler, MSMFT Degree Program Director, and Shey Madrid, MSLAMFT, Assistant Director, Fuller AZ appeared telephonically and were available for questions.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Cross moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer, to approve the changes presented to them. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Future agenda items

None

14. Call for public comment

No one was present to respond to the call for public comment.

15. Establishment of future meeting dates

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 15, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., at 1740 W. Adams St., Board Room C.

16. Adjournment

Ms. Wimmer moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Keith Cross
Secretary

Date