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SUBSTANCE ABUSE ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, August 16, 2019

Members present: Yvonne Fortier, Cynthia Pio-Padilla

Staff present: Elma Brambila, Credentialing Manager; Zuri De Lucio, Credentialing Specialist

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on August 16, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. with Ms. Fortier presiding.

**2. Roll Call**

See above

**3. Minutes: review, consideration and action**

*A. June 21, 2019 general meeting minutes*

Ms. Pio-Padilla moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to approve the June 21, 2019, general meeting minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Report from the Chair**

No report.

**5. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff**

*A. General agency operations*

None

*B. Review, consideration and action regarding Election of Chair and Secretary*

Ms. Pio-Padilla moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to have Ms. Fortier as Chair and Ms. Pio-Padilla as secretary. The motion passed unanimously.

*C. Discussion regarding delegating the authority to grant licensure pursuant to SB1086 to the executive director*

Ms. Brambila shared with the members that the Board delegated the authority to grant licensure to the executive director.

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

No report.

**7. Supervisor exemption requests: review, consideration and action**

*A. Lindsay Tree (Lindsay Love, outside clinical supervisor)*

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Fortier, moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla to approve the request for an outside clinical supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

**8. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding extension request for deficiencies**

- A. *Kendrah Nason, LPC applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- B. *Amy Carden, LPC applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- C. *Karen Mavrikos, LPC applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- D. *Stephanie Adler, LAC applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- E. *Rocio Ramirez, LAC applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- F. *Tamera Van Berkel, LAC applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- G. *Cody Merrell, LCSW applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*
- H. *Kathleen Evans, LCSW applicant (60 day deficiency extension)*

Ms. Pio-Padilla moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, 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 extensions and/or exam accommodation request: review, consideration and action**

- A. *Erica Muse, LMSW applicant (Exam accommodation)*

Members reviewed information regarding the request for an exam accommodation.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Pio-Padilla moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to approve the request for an exam accommodation. The motion passed unanimously.

**11. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action**

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

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla, to recommend to the Board to approve Judith Heckenlaible-Habig, Anastasia Cooper and Leah DuPuy as Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla, to recommend to the Board to approve Joshua Simpson as a Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselor upon receipt of the required license issuance fee and the Board's disposition of the background investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla, to recommend to the Board to approve Alexandra Rodriguez as a Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselor upon receipt of the required exam and the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla, to recommend to the Board to approve Rolanda Bolden and Ylanda Lindsey as Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselors upon receipt of the required exam, the required license issuance fee and the Board's disposition of the background investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla, to recommend to the Board to deny Ramsen Kasha on his failure to establish that he meets minimum licensure requirements by endorsement. The motion passed unanimously.

**B. Appeals**

- 1. *Melissa Lonski, LSAT applicant*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Pio-Padilla moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on not meeting the endorsement requirement of having an equivalent license in another state. The motion passed unanimously.

2. *Julia Bellini, LASAC applicant*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee

Following review and discussion, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla, to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on not meeting the endorsement requirement of having an equivalent license in another state. The motion passed unanimously.

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

None

**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 meeting is scheduled for Friday October 18, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., at 1740 West Adams St, Board Room C, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

**16. Adjournment**

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Pio-Padilla, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:36 am.

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Cynthia Pio-Padilla  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Date