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BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS MEETING MINUTES
September 5, 2003

Members Present: Gail Chase, Lisa Aumack, Kathleen Phillips, Rudy Buchanan, Jose Herrera, Michael Salazar, Cedric Davis, Karl Gauby, Roberta Gastineau, Jim Roth, Susan Allanson

Members absent: Steve LeGendre, Dan Wright, Hank Peck, Milton Mattox

Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Patricia Reynolds, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Kami Thur, Mary Wilson

Public Present: Kathy McGuire

Public by telephone: Marjorie Coffaro, Margaret Harmon, Lynn Barwick

1. **Call to Order**

A meeting of the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners was called to order on September 5, 2003, at 9:03 a.m. with Gail Chase presiding.

2. **Roll Call**

See above.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Gauby moved, seconded by Ms. Allanson, to approve the general meeting minutes of August 1, 2003, as submitted. The motion carried with Ms. Aumack, Mr. Salazar, Ms. Phillips and Mr. Buchanan abstaining.

Ms. Allanson moved, seconded by Mr. Roth, to approve the executive session minutes of August 1, 2003, as submitted. The motion carried with Ms. Aumack, Mr. Salazar, Ms. Phillips and Mr. Buchanan abstaining.

4. **Review, Consideration and Action on Complaints and Other Disciplinary Matters**

A. 2002-0050, Lynn Barwick, SW-12921

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the complaint and her investigation. The professional appeared telephonically and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by Board members, Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Mr. Salazar, to accept the Social Work Credentialing Committee's recommendation to dismiss the complaint as unsubstantiated. The motion passed unanimously.

B. 2003-0002, Lois Saltzman, SW applicant

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the complaint and her investigation. The professional was noticed, but did not appear.

Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Ms. Allanson, to go into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3). The motion passed unanimously and the Board went into executive session at 9:15 a.m., reconvening its regular meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Following review and discussion by Board members, Ms. Aumack moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to approve the Social Work Credentialing Committee's recommendation to accept the signed consent agreement and authorize certification upon Ms. Saltzman meeting all certification requirements. The motion passed unanimously. See attached roll call.

C. 2003-0010, Kathleen McGuire, CC-2426A, CPC applicant

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the complaint and her investigation. The professional appeared in person and addressed the Board.

Following review and discussion by Board members, Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Mr. Salazar, to approve the Counseling Credentialing Committee's recommendation to authorize certification and accept the signed consent agreement. The motion passed unanimously. See attached roll call.

D. 2003-0013, Geoffrey Dewhurst, SA applicant

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the complaint and her investigation. The professional was noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by Board members, Ms. Aumack moved, seconded by Ms. Allanson, to approve the Substance Abuse Credentialing Committee's recommendation to deny certification for unprofessional conduct based on a violation of A.R.S. § 32-3251(10)(b) regarding the professional's misrepresentation of his credentials to his employer, Catholic Social Services. The motion passed unanimously. See attached roll call.

E. 2002-0012, Carol Brogna, SW-17001

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the complaint and her investigation. The professional was noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by Board members, Ms. Allanson moved, seconded by Ms. Phillips, to accept the signed consent agreement and to rescind the Board's previous motion to remand this matter to formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously. See attached roll call.

F. 2003-0015, Ed Newton, SA-10404

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the complaint and her investigation. The professional was noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by Board members, Ms. Aumack moved, seconded by Ms. Phillips, to offer the professional a consent agreement that stipulates revocation and to remand this matter to formal hearing if the professional does not sign the consent agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Joan Grussing, SA-10120 and CC-2522A

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the complaint and reported that the professional has completed all stipulations of the consent agreement. The professional was noticed, but did not appear.

Mr. Roth recused himself from all matters involving Ms. Grussing.

Following review and discussion by Board members, Ms. Phillips moved, seconded by Ms. Allanson, to release the professional from the stipulations of the consent agreement as all conditions have been met. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Review, Consideration and Action on Applicants Recommended for Certification

Substance Abuse

Mr. Roth moved, seconded by Mr. Salazar, to approve 10 applicants for Substance Abuse Counselor certification. The motion passed unanimously.

Social Work

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Allanson, to approve one applicant for Baccalaureate Social Worker certification, 13 applicants for Master Social Worker certification and 15 applicants for Independent Social Worker certification. The motion passed unanimously.

Counseling

Ms. Aumack moved, seconded by Ms. Phillips, to approve 11 applicants for Associate Counselor certification and 19 applicants for Professional Counselor certification. The motion passed unanimously.

Marriage and Family Therapy

Mr. Salazar moved, seconded by Ms. Allanson, to approve one applicant for Associate Marriage and Family Therapist certification and 5 applicants for Marriage and Family Therapist certification. The motion passed unanimously.

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

No report

7. Report from the Treasurer and items for review, consideration and possible action

A. Monthly report

Ms. Rinaudo reported regarding the Board's finances.

8. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. Agency operations

Ms. Rinaudo reviewed a letter that was sent to the governor from the clinical director of West Valley Psychological Services regarding Ms. Reynolds's exemplary dedication to protecting the public through her response to their agency during a recent crisis.

B. Licensure rules

Ms. Rinaudo reported that the preliminary review of certification draft rules has been completed by each credentialing committee. The reviews resulted in significant revisions to the current draft. When the committees have completed their review of all the rules, the Board will review their proposed draft.

C. Department of Corrections' counselors

Ms. Rinaudo reported that a representative from the Arizona Department of Corrections (ADOC) notified her that ADOC needs an exemption to licensure for approximately 36 ADOC counselors. Ms. Rinaudo reviewed possible ways to meet ADOC's needs without the need for legislative changes to licensure next session.

Board members discussed ADOC's request and whether a substantive policy statement may be appropriate. The matter will be discussed at the next Counseling Credentialing Committee meeting.

Ms. Rinaudo reported that she is working with procurement to contract for legislative liaison services during the 2004 legislative session.

D. Family court preliminary screening process

Ms. Rinaudo reported the family courts are developing a preliminary screening process that would allow a judge to request an abbreviated evaluation of issues affecting custody and visitation.

Following discussion, Ms. Rinaudo advised members that the written description of this new process will be provided to members for discussion at the October meeting.

9. Committee Reports

No report

10. National and regional news regarding the profession

None

11. Future agenda items

None

12. Call for public comment

None

13. Establishment of future meeting dates

The next meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. in room B-2.

14. Adjournment

Ms. Allanson moved, seconded by Ms. Phillips, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Steve LeGendre
Secretary/Treasurer

Date