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COUNSELING CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, June 25, 2010

Members Present: Katherine Bloom, Yvonne Fortier, Patrick Goodman
Members by telephone: Laura de Blank, Paula Artac (out at 10:00 a.m. back at 1:00 p.m.)
Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Doreen Romney, Mary Wilson, Elma Brambila

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on June 25, 2010, at 9:02 a.m., with Ms. Bloom presiding.

2. **Roll Call**

See above.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to approve the general meeting minutes from the May 28, 2010, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Bloom abstained from the vote.

Consideration of the executive session minutes was tabled.

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.

Ms. de Blank reviewed the procedures for conducting an informal meeting.

A. 2010-0105 and 2007-0067, Albert Ledet, LISAC-11788

B. 2007-0067, Albert Ledet, LISAC-11788

Ms. Rinaudo summarized information regarding the professional's non-compliance with a pending consent agreement.

The complainants regarding Complaint No. 2010-0105 appeared in person.

The professional appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following discussion by members, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to find the following violations:

- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(n), failure to comply with a consent agreement
- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(b), use of fraud or deceit in connection with rendering services as a licensee or in establishing qualifications pursuant to this chapter

The motion passed unanimously.

Following discussion by members, Ms. de Blank moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to open a new complaint based on the professional's failure to comply with a pending consent agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Ms. Artac, to consolidate the pending complaints and to recommend to the Board to accept a consent agreement for the voluntary surrender of the professional's license and, if not accepted, to remand the matter to formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

C. 2009-0101 and 2009-0134, Paul Cartone, LPC-10042

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

The professional addressed the committee telephonically.

2009-0134

Following discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to recommend to the Board to find the following violation:

- 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. R4-6-1103(B)(9), client record
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1103(E), records retention

The motion passed unanimously.

2009-0101

Following discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to recommend to the Board to find the following violation:

- 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. R4-6-1104, financial and billing records
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1103(E), records retention

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to consolidate the two complaints and recommend to the Board to accept a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- The professional's license will be placed on probation for 24 months
- The professional shall complete 3-clock hours of continuing education in ethics within the first 12 months
- The professional shall complete 3-clock hours of continuing education in current behavioral health documentation requirements within the first 12 months
- The professional shall receive weekly clinical supervision from an independently licensed pre-approved behavioral health professional
- Clinical supervision shall focus on appropriate billing procedures, documentation and ethics
- The professional shall submit an auditor and audit plan for pre-approval by the committee chair or its designee
- The auditor shall conduct a minimum of 3 quarterly compliance audits

The motion passed unanimously.

D. Sandra Terry, LPC-1045

Ms. Rinaudo summarized the results of the Board's investigation regarding the professional's self-report of a shoplifting charge.

The professional was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to open a complaint based on the professional's failure to timely report a criminal charge. The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. de Blank, to direct the professional to have a psychological evaluation by a pre-approved evaluator and to submit the report within 60 days. The evaluation must address anger, judgment issues and self-destructive behaviors. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Lorena Hirsch, LPC-10589

Mr. Goodman recused himself from all matters involving Ms. Hirsch.

Ms. Rinaudo summarized the results of the background investigation regarding the professional's employment of an unlicensed individual as a therapist in an unlicensed agency.

The professional appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Ms. de Blank, to open a complaint for further investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee took a break for lunch at 11:10 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 1:00 p.m.

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

None

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General Agency Operations

No report.

7. Board, committees and subcommittee reports

None

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

None

9. Supervisor exemption requests: review, consideration and action

None

10. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action of requests for inactive status and extension requests

Following review, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to approve the consent agenda as reviewed by Ms. Bloom, granting 60-day extensions to Richard Cox, Sethlin Hookstra and Ashleigh Gudgeon and inactive status to Lynne Gallagher and Karen Brozik. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Inactive status extension requests: review, consideration and action

None

12. Applications for renewal: review, consideration and action

None

13. Applications for reassessment: review, consideration and action

A. *Deirdre Stewart*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the reassessment request.

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

14. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action

Dwayne McIntosh

Members reviewed the curriculum from the applicant's Masters of Education degree.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to deny the application based on the applicant's failure to submit the required data bank reports and failure to establish a degree in counseling. The motion passed unanimously.

A. *Donna Halterman, LAC-12862 and LPC applicant*

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to rescind this committee's May 28, 2010, motion to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal. The motion passed unanimously.

Appeals

A. Donna Halterman

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant addressed the committee telephonically.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Artac moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's continuing failure to establish that her clinical supervisor has the required training in clinical supervision. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Deborah Carson

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

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

Following review and discussion by members, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's continuing failure to establish that her clinical supervisor has the required training in clinical supervision. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Debra Kaplan

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to find that the applicant failed to establish that the work experience she completed as an independent contractor meets minimum requirements and to deny the appeal. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Arbita Ferozepurwalla

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to deny the appeal based on continuing curriculum deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Linda Shmyr-Russell

Tabled

F. Seema Bacon

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to deny the appeal based on continuing curriculum and work experience deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Mavis Brauer

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. de Blank moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to accept the applicant's employment history and to deny the appeal based on continuing curriculum deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Delfina Cenicerros

Ms. Bloom recused herself from all matters involving the applicant.

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant and her attorney, Larry Cohen, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

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

The committee went off record to review files at 3:30 p.m., reconvening its public meeting 4:33 p.m.

Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to approve Gerald Riley and Herbert Warner as Reciprocal Licensed Professional Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 9 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of the license issuance fee and a passing score on the required exam:

Nanette Klaus	Samara Steinberg	Sheri Robenstine	Jessica Roberts
Barbara Kolb	Maria Dutson	Joshua Ulrich	Dierdre Stewart
Bonnie DenDooven			

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Fortier abstained from the vote.

Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 12 applicants as Licensed Professional Counselors upon receipt of the license issuance fee:

Joanne Stott	Melissa Musick	Sophia Erez	Nicole Heim
Mark Shen	Andrea Cairella	Steve Longhi	Leah Berger
Lesley Sears	Francesca Schultz	Nichole Obman	Lisa Corbett

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Fortier abstained from the vote.

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to recommend to the Board to approve the following 8 applicants as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of the license issuance fee:

Jennifer Kizer	Betty Cohen	Joshua Adams	Delfina Cenicerros
Julie Westin	Regina Robison	Laura Cabanillas	Andrea Burris

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Bloom abstained from the vote.

Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to recommend to the Board to approve Nathalie Clyne as a Reciprocal Licensed Professional Counselor upon receipt of a favorable fingerprint report and the license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to recommend to the Board to approve Karen Mull as a Licensed Associate Counselor upon receipt of a favorable fingerprint report and the license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Goodman moved, seconded by Ms. Bloom, to recommend to the Board to deny the following 17 applicants based on failure to establish that they meet minimum requirements:

Teresa Hoffmeyer	Tracy Simpson	Cynthia Buesing	Mary Jane Abril
Wanda Hakeman	Kimberly Pele	Briana Telfer	Tina Pernosky
Susan Jennings	Mark Sanders	Norma Grijalva	Dwayne McIntosh
Jennifer Dixon	Cesar Gallegos-Gamez	Heather Jelonek	Jennifer Stevenson
Katie Lyon			

The motion passed unanimously.

15 Future agenda items

None

16. Call for public comment

None

17. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 30, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central Avenue, Room 908.

18. Adjournment

Ms. Bloom moved, seconded by Mr. Goodman, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Katherine Bloom
Secretary/Treasurer

Date