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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, April 7, 2004

Members present: Steve LeGendre, Cynthia Kelley, Libby Howell
Members by telephone: Lori Reinke (left at 9:55 a.m.)
Members absent: Dan Wright
Staff present: Jason Martin, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Mary Wilson, Diane Williams
Public present: Norman Mudd
Public by telephone: Steve Johnson

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on April 7, 2004, at 9:03 a.m. with Ms. Reinke presiding.

2. **Roll Call**

See above.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

The approval of minutes from the February 4, 2004, meeting was tabled.

4. **Review, consideration and action of complaints and other disciplinary matters**

A. *2003-0029, Steve Johnson, MFT-10075A*

Mr. Martin reviewed the consent agreement and reported that the professional has requested modifications to reflect changes the professional requested.

The professional addressed the committee by telephone, indicating that he did not understand the process of a consent agreement and would not be asking so many questions in the future. Mr. Johnson requested clarification regarding the start date of his supervision.

Following discussion, members agreed that no modifications would be made to the consent agreement. Mr. Johnson was informed that the terms of his consent agreement began in February 2004, with the first supervision quarterly report due in May.

B. *2003-0061, Norman Mudd, MFT-0068*

Mr. Martin summarized the complaint and the results of the investigation. Mr. Mudd appeared in person and addressed the committee. The complainant was noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, Mr. LeGendre moved, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to dismiss the complaint as unsubstantiated. The motion passed unanimously.

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.

B. *Development of licensure rules*

No report.

C. *Licensure update*

Mr. Martin reported that the Maricopa County Community College District has informed the agency that the counselors employed by the district to work in the junior colleges do not do psychotherapy and have requested a substantive policy statement that addresses the issue. The Counseling Credentialing Committee reviewed the matter at two meetings and forwarded it to the Board for consideration. Ms. Rinaudo, the district representative and the Board continue to work on the issue.

7. **Committee reports/matters (discussion and action)**

None

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

No report.

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

A. *Lisa Gold*

Tabled

B. *Derrell Higgins*

Following review and discussion by committee members, Ms. Reinke moved, seconded by Mr. LeGendre, to grant the exemption for 21 hours provided by Lisa Gold. The motion passed unanimously.

10. **Review, consideration and possible action regarding renewals**

None

11. **Review, consideration and action of consent agenda for applications for inactive, extension and exam accommodation requests**

Ms. Reinke moved, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to approve the consent agenda reviewed by Mr. LeGendre granting a 60-day extension to Kelli Prince and an exam extension to Stephanie Serra. The motion passed unanimously.

12. **Review, consideration and action of applications for certification**

A. *Karolynn Maddalone*

Mr. Martin reported that the professional has submitted an application for certification. Mr. Martin reviewed the denial of the professional's application in October 2003 for unprofessional conduct, based on a finding of a violation of A.R.S. §32-3251(10)(b), the use of fraud or deceit in establishing qualifications, resulting from notification from PES that Ms. Maddalone left the testing room and reviewed notes during the examination.

The professional was noticed, but did not appear. She faxed a letter explaining her absence.

Following review and discussion by committee members, Mr. LeGendre moved, seconded by Dr. Howell, to deny the application based on the fact that five months is insufficient time to demonstrate rehabilitation, that there is no evidence that the professional has made an independent effort to address the issue outside of people who have a vested interest in her progress, the professional has not received independent professional guidance and that there is a serious concern whether PES would afford Ms. Maddalone the opportunity to test. The motion passed unanimously.

Certifications

Mr. LeGendre moved, seconded by Ms. Howell, to recommend to the Board to certify JoAnn Nelson, Carol Rehus and Chance Vallon as Certified Associate Marriage and Family Therapists. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. LeGendre moved, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to recommend to the Board to certify Melinda Barker, Colleen Kiessig and Meredith Buchholz as Certified Associate Marriage and Family Therapists after providing a passing score on the required examination. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. LeGendre moved, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to recommend to the Board to certify Barbara Panos, Shannon Brodala and Dan Utrera as Certified Marriage and Family Therapists. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. LeGendre moved, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to recommend to the Board to certify Frieda Ling, Pamela Cerski, Claron Bailey, Charles Kurgan and Derrel Higgins as Certified Marriage and Family Therapists after passing the required examination. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Future agenda items

None

14. Call for public comment

None

15. Establishment of future meeting dates

The next meetings are scheduled for May 5, 2004, and June 2, 2004, at 9:00 a.m. in room B-2.

16. Adjournment

Ms. Howell moved, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Dan Wright
Secretary/Treasurer

Date