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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, August 11, 2010

Members Present: Gloria Gabler, Mary Doyle, Ellen LaBelle
Member Absent: Nancy Groppenbacher, Marlene Buffa
Staff Present: Patricia Reynolds, Elma Brambila, Mary Wilson

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on August 11, 2010, at 9:07 a.m. with Ms. LaBelle presiding.

2. **Roll Call**

See above.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to approve the general meeting minutes from the June 9, 2010, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Gabler abstained from the vote.

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.

None

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

No report

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

A. *General agency operations*

No report.

B. *Response to AAMFT request for information*

Members discussed the questions submitted by AAMFT. The consensus of the committee will be forwarded to AAMFT.

7. **Committee reports/matters**

None

8. **National and regional news regarding the profession**

None

9. **Review, consideration and action of supervisor exemption requests**

A. *Jason Jonker (Kellie Allison, LPC)*

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the supervisor exemption request.

The applicant's supervisor appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to deny the request for a supervisor exemption for clinical supervision hours to be provided by Kellie Allison, LPC, based on the applicant's failure to establish that the supervisor has sufficient education, training and experience in marriage and family therapy. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Amanda Sue Palumbo (Dina Halsey, LPC)

Ms. Doyle recused herself from all matters involving Ms. Palumbo who is her former student.

Members tabled discussion on the exemption request due to a lack of quorum.

C. April Tiler (Jared Dinehart, psychologist)

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the supervisor exemption request.

Following review and discussion, Ms. LaBelle moved, seconded by Dr. Gabler, to deny the request for a supervisor exemption for clinical supervision hours to be provided by Jared Dinehart, PhD, based on the applicant's failure to establish that the supervisor has sufficient education, training and experience in marriage and family therapy. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Review, consideration and action regarding applications for reassessment

None

11. Review, consideration and action of consent agenda for applications for deficiency extensions and inactive status

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to approve the consent agenda, as reviewed by Ms. LaBelle, granting a 60-day extension to Kimberly Landero. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Review, consideration and action of requests for exam accommodations and inactive extensions

None

13. Review, consideration and action regarding applications for licensure

Appeals

A. Karen Allbright-Jones

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared telephonically and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to establish clinically supervised work experience that meets minimum practice standards. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Sarah Clark

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members tabled consideration and directed Board staff to obtain information from the Prince William agency regarding the applicant's rehire status.

The committee broke to review files at 10:24 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Dr. Gabler, to recommend to the Board to approve Frances Almstrom as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to recommend to the Board to approve Tessa Tyson as a Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapist upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to recommend to the Board to approve Jonathan Decker and as a Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapist upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam, a favorable fingerprint report and receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to recommend to the Board to approve Michael Hutt as a Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapist upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam and receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to recommend to the Board to deny Eileen Ashby based on her failure to establish that she meets minimum licensure requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Future agenda items

None

15. Call for public comment

None

16. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. at 3443 North Central Avenue, 9th floor.

17. Adjournment

Dr. Gabler moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Ellen LaBelle
Secretary/Treasurer

Date