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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Members Present: Nancy Groppenbacher, Mary Doyle, Ellen LaBelle

Members Absent: Gloria Gabler, Marlene Buffa

Staff Present: Patricia Reynolds, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Elma Brambila, Mary Wilson

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on June 9, 2010, at 9:03 a.m. with Ms. Groppenbacher 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 May 12, 2010, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to approve the executive session minutes from the May 12, 2010, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

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.

A. 2010-0035, Lynn Tyson, LMFT-0032

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

The complainant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

The professional and her attorney, Mark Harrison, appeared in person and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion by members, Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to recommend to the Board to find the following violations:

- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(p), failure to conform to minimum practice standards as developed by the Board, as it relates to:
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1101(3), required consent for treatment documentation
 - A.A.C. R4-6-1102, required treatment planning documentation
- A.R.S. §32-3251(12)(ii), violating any federal or state law or rule or regulation applicable to the practice of behavioral health, as it relates to:
 - A.R.S. §13-3620(A), mandatory child abuse reporting requirements
 - A.R.S. §13-3620(D), verbal reports of child abuse shall be made immediately by telephone or in person and followed by written report within 72 hours

The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to recommend to the Board to accept a consent agreement for an order of censure. Members noted that because the conduct in the present case overlapped the conduct that led to the professional's 12/08 consent agreement and given the professional's successful completion of the terms set forth in the 12/08 consent agreement, no additional sanctions were warranted. The motion passed unanimously.

Following further discussion by members, Ms. Groppenbacher, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, that if the consent agreement is not signed, to invite the professional to participate in a formal interview and, if not accepted, to remand the matter to formal hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee took a break at 10:05 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:15 a.m.

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. Steps to Review an Application File

Members reviewed new applications review processes and discussed the importance of ensuring that two members review and sign off on all application files.

C. Update regarding SB1255

Ms. Reynolds provided an update on SB1255.

7. Committee reports/matters

None

8. National and regional news regarding the profession

None

9. Review, consideration and action of supervisor exemption requests

None

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

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. LaBelle, to approve the consent agenda, as reviewed by Ms. LaBelle, granting inactive status to Carol Bayer. 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. Branden Henline

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. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to deny the appeal based on the applicant's failure to establish that the work experience acquired as an independent contractor meets minimum practice standards. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Monica Malone

Members reviewed information submitted in support of the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

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

C. Kimberly McGreal

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. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to accept CP670 Psychopharmacology and CP660 Alcohol and Drug Abuse and to deny the appeal based on continuing curriculum deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee broke to review files at 11:45 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 12:27 p.m.

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to recommend to the Board to approve Monica Malone and Stephanie Serra as Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Groppenbacher moved, seconded by Ms. Doyle, to recommend to the Board to deny Teri Sebastian 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 July 14, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. at 3443 North Central Avenue, 9th floor.

17. Adjournment

Ms. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Groppenbacher, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 12:29 p.m.

Ellen LaBelle
Secretary/Treasurer

Date