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SUBSTANCE ABUSE CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, February 21, 2003

Members Present: Michael Salazar, Jim Roth, Diane Pruetz, Del Worley (9:15), Geri Sosa

Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Mary Wilson

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on February 21, 2002, at 9:12 a.m. with Mr. Salazar presiding.

2. **Roll Call**

See above.

3. **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Roth moved, seconded by Ms. Pruetz, to approve the general meeting minutes from January 17, 2002. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Pruetz moved, seconded by Mr. Roth, to approve the executive session minutes from January 17, 2002. The motion carried with Ms. Sosa and Mr. Salazar abstaining.

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

None

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

*A. Requested changes to the licensure bill by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona*

**Issue One**

Ms. Rinaudo reported that ITCA has requested reciprocity for all ICRC boards. Because ICRC is a private certification board, allowing reciprocity for ICRC certification would inevitably lead to other private certifying boards, such as NASW or NBCC, to request reciprocity.

Following review and discussion, committee members agreed that allowing reciprocity for a private certification board is inappropriate.

**Issue Two**

Ms. Rinaudo reported on ITCA's request to delete the limitation in the substance abuse scope of practice limiting services to those related to substance abuse and chemical dependency issues. After negotiations on this issue, ITCA agreed to withdraw this request if the Board adopted a substantive policy statement for substance abuse counselors working at an IHS facility similar to that proposed for substance abuse counselors working at an OBHL licensed entity.

Committee members agreed to recommend that the Board adopt such a substantive policy statement.

**Issue Three**

Ms. Rinaudo reported that ITCA did not agree to the education waiver language for substance abuse technicians developed for Native Americans providing services to Native Americans. After negotiation on this issue, ITCA agreed to education waiver language for those providing services under IHS funding where such persons are limited to providing services to those eligible for IHS services.

Following review and discussion, committee members agreed to recommend that the Board agree to the revised education waiver language.

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

*A. General Agency Operations*

Ms. Rinaudo reported that the joint appropriation subcommittee on health recommended that funding for a new credentialing specialist position be restored to the Board's appropriation. The recommendation to increase funding for increased rent expenses and to enter into a contract for AAG services remained unchanged.

*B. Update on licensure*

Ms. Rinaudo reported that the bill is still assigned to Appropriations and Rules. She also reported on the significant progress made regarding obtaining stakeholder consensus.

**7. Report from the Board and other committees**

*A. Board*

No report.

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

None

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

None

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

Ms. Pruetz moved, seconded by Mr. Roth, to approve the consent agenda reviewed by Ms. Sosa, granting a 60-day extension to Joanna Parris. The motion passed unanimously.

**11. Review, consideration and action of applications for reassessment**

None

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

*A. Heather Wade, appeal of January 16, 2003, initial denial*

Following review of additional documentation members agreed that Ms. Wade meets requirements.

*B. Thomas Gilpin, review of background information regarding convictions*

Committee members agreed that the professional's background needs no further review.

Ms. Pruetz moved, seconded by Mr. Roth, to recommend the following twenty-six applicants to the Board for certification:

Jeannie Manson	Joanna Newton	Manny Athans	Janet Carpentier
Gigi Touchon-Grebb	Eddie Ornelas	Bernard Butts	Blair Kuropatkin
Duane Legan	Linda Ouellette	Jonathan Kendall	Kimberly Matoka
Deborah Cosgrove	Kelley LeBeaux	Glenn Banks	Beatrice Alexander
Charles Dalton	Heidi Clapham	Patricia Grogg	Heather Wade
Gordon Gunnell	Frank Berry	Antonietta Estrada	
Leonard Perinetti	Rick Diaz	Bruce Barker	

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Pruetz moved, seconded by Mr. Roth, to recommend the following eight applicants to the Board for certification after receiving a passing score on the required examination:

Angel Martinez	Kevin Pollins	Joan Lisa	Thomas Gilpin
Christine Matschke	Laura Neely	Maria Gary	William Todd

The motion passed unanimously.

**12. Future agenda items**

None

**13. Call for public comment**

None

**14. Establishment of future meeting date(s)**

The next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. in room B-2.

**15. Adjournment**

Ms. Pruetz moved, seconded by Ms. Sosa, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

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Geri Sosa  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Date