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SOCIAL WORK CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, March 7, 2003

Members Present: Roberta Gastineau, Cedric Davis, Joy Shearman, Laura Masters
Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Patricia Reynolds, Diane Williams, Mary Wilson
Members absent: Peggy Schwartz
Public Present: Jerome Froimson, Mariann Nelson, Michael Downs, Bill Timmons

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on March 7, 2003, at 1:31 p.m. with Ms. Gastineau presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to approve the general meeting minutes from February 7, 2003. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to approve the executive session minutes from February 7, 2003. The motion passed unanimously.

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

A. *2002-0015, Mariann Nelson, SW applicant*

Ms. Rinaudo summarized the facts of the complaint and reviewed each allegation. Ms. Nelson and her attorney, Mr. Froimson, appeared and addressed the committee. The complainant, Michael Downs, appeared and addressed the committee.

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Masters, to go into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3). The motion passed unanimously. The committee went into executive session at 2:07 p.m. and reconvened their regular meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Following review and discussion by committee members, Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Masters, to recommend to the Board to find a violation of A.R.S. 32-3251(10)(d), obtaining a fee by fraud, based upon the professional having cashed the mileage reimbursement check for \$535.10. The motion carried with Dr. Davis opposed.

Following review and discussion by committee members, Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Masters, to recommend to the Board to find a violation of A.R.S. 32-3251(10)(i), any conduct or practice contrary to recognized standards of ethics, based on the professional taking two clients to a personal medical appointment. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to recommend to the Board to dismiss all other allegations as unsubstantiated. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Masters, to recommend to the Board to offer a consent agreement that stipulates the following:

- Certification will be approved if all other certification requirements have been met;
- Enrollment in a 3-semester hour graduate level course in ethics and boundaries within 6 months of certification;

- Completion of the required course;
- Course will be pre-approved;
- All costs will be borne by Ms. Nelson;
- Ms. Nelson will request release from the consent agreement when all stipulations have been met.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

Selection of delegate for spring ASWB Conference

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to have Ms. Masters represent the committee at the spring ASWB Conference. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General Agency Operations

B. Update on licensure

Ms. Rinaudo reported that committee review of the bill is completed. The final House vote will take place on Monday or Tuesday.

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

A. Deborah Meintel

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Masters, to grant the exemption request for hours provided by Beth Tuttle. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee took a break from 3:30 PM to 3:38 PM

10. Review, consideration and possible action regarding renewals

A. William Timmons' continuing education submission

Members agreed to table consideration for 30 days to allow Mr. Timmons the opportunity to address the committee regarding his continuing education.

B. Genie Hobbs' continuing education submission

Members agreed to table consideration for 30 days to allow Ms. Hobbs the opportunity to address the committee regarding her continuing education.

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

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to approve the consent agenda as reviewed by Ms. Gastineau granting exam extensions to Lakshimi Nolletti, Jodi Tierny, Laura Geraghty, Shirley McKinley and Diane Whisler, and granting 60-day deficiency extensions to Balasz Batyka and Carol Marquis-Breckenridge. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Review, consideration and possible action regarding exam accommodations

A. Michael Harmon

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to approve the exam accommodation request for an extra hour and a paper and pencil test. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Review, consideration and action of applications for certification

Dr. Davis moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to recommend the following six applicants to the Board for certification as Certified Master Social Workers after passing the required exam:

Michael Ross	Charles Atkinson	Rita Hill
Kimberly Campbell	Cheryl Morning	Elizabeth Lonergan

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Shearman moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to recommend the following ten applicants to the Board for certification as Certified Independent Social Workers after passing the required exam:

Deborah Meintel	Karen Leblang	Barbara Avila	Samantha Norvold
Karin Kupka	Markham Breen	Kristine Hahn-McDonald	
Ronald Bowen	Fredricka Hunter	Jean Bell	

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, to recommend Trent Sanders to the Board for certification as a Certified Independent Social Worker. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Future agenda items

A. Timmons and Hobbs continuing education

15. Call for public comment

None

16. Establishment of future meeting date(s)

The next meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2003, at 1:30 a.m. in room B-2.

17. Adjournment

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Cedric Davis
Secretary/Treasurer

Date