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COUNSELING ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, April 27, 2018

Members Present: Patricia Kerstner, Janet O'Connor, Kathleen Britton

Staff Present: Elma Brambila, Credentialing Specialist

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on April 27, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., with Dr. Kerstner presiding.

**2. Roll Call**

See above.

**3. Review and Approval of Minutes**

A. *March 27, 2018, general meeting minutes*

Dr. Kerstner moved, seconded by Ms. Britton, to approve the February 23, 2018, general meeting minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Report from Chair**

No report.

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

A. *General Agency Operations*

No report.

**6. Assistant Attorney General's Report: Marc Harris, A.A.G.**

No report.

**7. Supervisor exemption requests: review, consideration and action**

A. *Nephaterria Harris (Tom Cleeteman, size & geographic)*

Tabled

**8. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding requests for deficiency extensions**

A. *Julie Rimkus*

B. *Adi Shakti Khalsa*

C. *Shaul Austin*

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to approve consent agenda item 8(A) and (C). The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item 8(B) was tabled.

**9. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding applications requesting review under rules prior to November 1, 2015**

None

**10. Exam extension and/or accommodation requests: review, consideration and action**

None

**11. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and possible action**

*A. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding applications for licensure*

Dr. Kerstner moved, seconded by Ms. O'Connor, to recommend to the Board to approve Melissa Koch, Briah Hudson, Ana Benitez and Nathan Terlisner as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt a passing score on the required exam and the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to recommend to the Board to approve Aviya Bensky, Mercy Mwangi, Tuesday Lucas and Clare Waddicor as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Britton moved, seconded by Ms. O'Connor, to recommend to the Board to approve Keli Dersch-Baldonado and Luisa Nagore as Licensed Professional Counselors upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Kerstner moved, seconded by Ms. O'Connor, to recommend to the Board to approve Matthew Rosenkilde as Licensed Associate Counselors upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam the required license issuance fee and the Board's disposition of the background investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Following review, members requested additional information on the following applications:

Holly Willingham  
Rashayne Zimmer  
Sanora Morlan

Rebecca Ramer  
Sara Branscum  
Amy Harper

Catherine Rosa Sierra  
Veronica Villanueva  
Maria Soto Santiago

*B.*

*Appeals*

*1. Lauren Mehr*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Kerstner moved, seconded by Ms. O'Connor, to accept PSYG 532 Role of Culture & Gender in Counseling for Social & cultural diversity; PSYG 514 Development Across the Lifespan for Human growth and development; PSYG 536 Psychological Assessment for Assessment; and PSYG 510 Research Design & Methodology for Research and program evaluation and to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on continued curriculum deficiency. The motion passed unanimously.

*2. Ana Benitez*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant was properly noticed, but did not appear.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meet minimum requirements.

*3. Mercy Mwangi*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meet minimum requirements.

**12. Applications for educational programs: review, consideration and possible action.**

**13. Future agenda items**

None

**14. Call for public comment**

No one was present to respond to the call for public comment.

**15. Establishment of future meeting dates**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at 1740 West Adams St, Board Room C, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

**16. Adjournment**

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Dr. Kerstner, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

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Kathleen Britton  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Date