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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, May 17, 2019

Members Present: Lesley Wimmer Kelly, Keith Cross

Staff Present: Donna Dalton, Deputy Director; Zuri De Lucio, Credentialing Specialist

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order May 17, 2019, at 9:03 a.m. with Ms. Wimmer Kelly presiding.

2. Roll Call

See above.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes

A. March 15, 2019 general meeting minutes

Dr. Cross moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer Kelly, to approve the general meeting minutes from the March 15, 2019, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Report from the Chair: items for review, consideration and action

No report.

5. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

A. General agency operations

No report

B. Discussion regarding HB2569

Ms. Dalton shared with the members that HB2569 was signed by the Governor on April 10th, 2019 and will go into effect 90 days after legislation ends. The Bill is another pathway for out of state applicants to get licensed in Arizona. It will require a license in the same discipline and at the same level from a regulating entity for at least one year. It will also require that applicants have a license in good standing and are residents of Arizona.

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

No report

7. Supervisor exemption request: review, consideration and action

A. Holly Sammons (Anita Comstock, size & geographic location)

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Cross, moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer Kelly to approve the request for size and geographic location. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Wesley Leffman (Ruth Tenreiro, size & geographic location)

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Cross, moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer Kelly to approve the request for size and geographic location. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Jason Willyerd (*Ruth Tenreiro, size & geographic location*)

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Cross, moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer Kelly to approve the request for size and geographic location. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding 60 day extension request for deficiencies and 90 day extension for examination

A. Allison Savasta, LAC applicant (*60 day deficiency extension*)

B. John Lare, LPC applicant (*60 day deficiency extension*)

C. Rachel Staben, LPC applicant (*60 day deficiency extension*)

D. Christian Thoman, LCSW applicant (*60 day deficiency extension*)

E. Natalie Randolph, LCSW applicant (*60 day deficiency extension*)

F. Thomas Walter, LPC applicant (*60 day deficiency extension*)

G. Rhiannon Tafoya, LASAC applicant (*90 day extension*)

Ms. Wimmer Kelly, moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

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

None

10. Exam accommodation and/or 90-day waiver request: review, consideration and action

A. Gladys Metcalf, LMSW applicant (*90-day waiver*)

Members reviewed information regarding the request for a 90 day exam waiver.

Following review and discussion, Dr. Cross moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer Kelly, to approve the request for the 90 day waiver. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Margymar Veguilla de Jesus, LMSW applicant (*exam accommodation*)

Members reviewed information regarding the request for an exam accommodation.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Wimmer Kelly moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to approve the request for the exam accommodation. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Luis Velazquez Davila, LMSW applicant (*exam accommodation*)

Members reviewed information regarding the request for an exam accommodation.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Wimmer Kelly moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to approve the request for the exam accommodation. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action

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

Ms. Wimmer Kelly moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to recommend to the Board to approve Emily Beck and Courtney Brenner as Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists upon receipt of the required license issuance fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Wimmer Kelly moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to recommend to the Board to deny Pamela Gonzalez Cardenas and Clinton Cooper based on failure to establish that they meet minimum licensure requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Cross moved, seconded by Ms. Wimmer Kelly, to recommend to the Board to deny Melissa Solem as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists on her failure to establish that she met minimum licensure requirements by endorsement. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee requested additional information on the following application:

Cynthia DePowell
Dominika Wrobel

Dianne McGlinchey

Tiffany Moser

Desiree Robbins

B. Appeals

1. *Shaina Nukho, LMFT applicant*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared and was available for questions.

Following review and discussion, members accepted the hours acquired at Fred Finch Youth Center and to recommend to the Board to deny the appeal based on continued work experience and clinical supervision deficiencies. The motion passed unanimously

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

None

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 Friday, July 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m., at 1740 West Adams St, Board Room C, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

16. Adjournment

Ms. Wimmer Kelly moved, seconded by Dr. Cross, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Keith Cross
Secretary

Date