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SUBSTANCE ABUSE ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, December 18, 2020

Members present: Yvonne Fortier, Sofia Hassid

Members Absent: Cynthia Pio-Padilla

Staff present: Tobi Zavala, Executive Director; Zuri De Lucio, Credentialing Specialist

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on December 18, 2020, at 9:05 a.m. with Ms. Fortier presiding.

**2. Roll Call**

See above

**3. Minutes: review, consideration and action**

*A. September 4, 2020 general meeting minutes*

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid, to approve the general meeting minutes from the September 4, 2020 meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Report from the Chair**

No report.

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

*A. General agency operations*

None

*B. Update regarding the proposed rulemaking*

Ms. Zavala updated the members regarding the Board's proposed rulemaking status. She reminded members that the Board filed a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking with the Office of the Secretary of State on April 29, 2020. The notice was published in the May 22, 2020 Arizona Administrative Register. The Board accepted feedback through June 30, 2020 and reviewed the collected feedback at its Board meeting on September 11, 2020. The Board approved a Notice of Final Rulemaking and it was reviewed by the Governor's Regulatory Review Council at their October 27, 2020 study session and November 3, 2020 meeting. The rules will go into effect on January 3, 2021.

**6. Assistant Attorney General's Report:**

No report.

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

*A. Mary Stich (Jackie Powell, LISAC, outside clinical supervisor)*

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption. Following review and discussion, Ms. Fortier, moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid to approve the request for an outside clinical supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

*B. Ashley Berg (Suzanne Portillo, LCSW, outside clinical supervisor)*

Members reviewed information submitted regarding the request for exemption.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Fortier, moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid to approve the request for an outside clinical supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

**8. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding extension request for deficiencies**

*A. Raquel Daniels, LAMFT applicant (60-day deficiency extension)*

*B. Kevin Gutierrez, LPC applicant (60-day deficiency extension)*

*C. Nicole Roth, LASAC applicant (90-day exam extension)*

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**9. Exam extensions and/or exam accommodation request: review, consideration and action**

*A. Loura Gboeah, LAC applicant (exam accommodation)*

Tabled

**10. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action**

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

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid, to recommend to approve Christina Orellana, Brian Slayne, and Mary Thompson as Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselors. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid, to recommend to approve Debra Noskoviak as a Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselor upon receipt of the Board's disposition of the background investigation. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid, to recommend to approve Lea Bastin as Licensed Associate Substance Abuse Counselor upon receipt of the required exam. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid, to recommend to the Board to deny Leanna Gendot and Christine Urban on their failure to establish that they meet minimum licensure requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee requested additional information on the following applications:

Katheryn Fredman      Valentine De Anda      Johanna Magdaleno

The committee tabled the application of Donn Yeager.

**B. Appeals**

*1. Lea Bastin, LASAC Applicant*

Members reviewed information regarding the appeal.

The applicant appeared telephonically and addressed the committee.

Following review and discussion, members agreed the applicant meets minimum education.

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

None

**12. Future agenda items**

*A. Update on proposed rules*

**13. Call for public comment**

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

**14. Establishment of future meeting dates**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday February 19, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., at 1740 West Adams St, Board Room C, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

*A. Review, consideration, and possible action regarding 2021 meeting calendar*

Members discussed the 2021 meeting calendar and agreed to not make any changes.

**15. Adjournment**

Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Hassid, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

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Sofia Hassid  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Date