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COUNSELING ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, May 19, 2023

Members Present: Janet O'Connor, Angel Branch Moore  
Members Absent: Patricia Kerstner  
Staff Present: Elma Brambila, Assistant Director, Laura Zaragoza, Credentialing Specialist

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order on May 19, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., with Ms. O'Connor presiding.

**2. Roll Call**

See above.

**3. Review and Approval of Minutes**

*A. March 16, 2023, general meeting minutes*

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Mrs. Branch Moore, to approve the general meeting minutes for the March 16, 2023, meeting 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:**

No report.

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

None

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

*A. Nicole Koren, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)*

*B. Dawna Snider, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)*

*C. Thomas Wills, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)*

*D. Alexandra Raske, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)*

*E. Perry Emerick, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)*

*F. Mallory Montefel, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)*

*G. Daren Dirksen, LAC Applicant (60-day extension)*

- H. David Lopez, LAC Applicant (60-day extension)
- I. Bevin Page, LAC Applicant (60-day extension)
- J. Curtis Wells, LAC Applicant (60-day extension)
- K. Malka Golden-Wolfe, LMFT Applicant (60-day extension)
- L. Christina Vanchina, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)
- M. Debbie Lang, LPC Applicant (60-day extension)

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Mrs. Branch Moore, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**9. Exam accommodation and/or 90-day waiver request: review, consideration and action**  
None.

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

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

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Mrs. Branch Moore, to recommend to approve Christy Stewart as a Licensed Associate Counselor. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Mrs. Branch Moore, to recommend to approve the following 4 as Licensed Associate Counselor upon receipt of a passing score on the required exam.

Shirley Wilson	Linda Cantley	Tamara Overhage
Luis Perez		

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Mrs. Branch Moore, to recommend to the Board to deny the following 5 based on their failure to establish they meet minimum licensure requirements.

Elayna Kline	Kevin Nielsen	Glorimar Robles
William De Shay Jr	Julianne Kontos	

The motion passed unanimously.

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

Krichia Cummings	Valarie Siler	Rachel Katznelson
Stephanie Sampson	Sarah Wade	Stephanie Landes
Tamara Grimm	Amanda Young	

The members tabled the review of the following 6 files:

Estera Moldovan	Krist'Anah Watkins	Sarah McLaughlin Baize
Mauhasin Fagg-Daves	Melanie Honey	Kristina Soremekun

*The Committee took a break at 1:25 p.m., reconvening its public meeting at 1:55 p.m.*

*B. Appeals*  
None

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

None

**12. Future agenda items**

**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 regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 30, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at 1740 West Adams St., Board Room B, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

**15. Adjournment**

Ms. O'Connor moved, seconded by Mrs. Branch Moore, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

*Janet Lee O'Connor, EdS*

Janet Lee O'Connor, EdS (Jul 3, 2023 12:40 PDT)

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Janet O'Connor  
Secretary/Treasurer

Jul 3, 2023

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Date