

Alcohol And Drug Counselor Committee

February 23, 2001

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

This scheduled meeting of the Committee was called to order at 10:25 A.M. in the Sussex Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ.

B. ROLL CALL

Present:

Committee Chairperson Sylvia Lippe
Committee Member Edward Reading
Committee Member Donald Weinbaum
Committee Member Barbara Dennis, Esq.

Absent:

Committee Member Fredrick Reihl

Staff Present:

Executive Director Dennis Gonzalez
Deputy Attorney General August Lembo
Regulatory Analyst Danielle Swenson

Two public members were present.

Chairperson Lippe read the notice of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

C. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES

On a motion by Donald Weinbaum, seconded by Edward Reading, minutes were approved without corrections.

D. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

The Committee extensively reviewed, discussed and refined a draft proposal from Ed Reading on the Continuing Education Regulations.

Discussion on the overall regulations was deferred to the next meeting.

E. OLD BUSINESS

Draft Agreement with the Addiction Professionals Certification Board Committee reviewed and offered changes to the sixth version of the agreement presented by DAG Lembo.

Internet Counseling

Barbara Dennis asked that this issue be discussed at the next meeting.

Grandfathering Deadline

DAG Lembo presented Committee with various options in dealing with the grandfather extension. Committee discussed options, but deferred a decision until DAG Lembo is able to provide additional information.

F. NEW BUSINESS

New Jersey Professional Advisory Committee to the Division. of Addiction Services Chairperson Sylvia Lippe reported that she will be speaking, as Chairperson of the Committee, before this group on March 16, 2001. Her prepared remarks were reviewed by the Committee and staff and some changes were made.

Committee Members Terms

Executive Director Gonzalez reported that two members, Donald Weinbaum and Barbara Dennis are serving as holdovers since their term expired in November, 2000. He also reported that Governor's Office has indicated that, because of change in Administration, they will not be addressing holdovers until a few months from now.

Senate Bill 1687

Committee members were given copies of S1687 which requires criminal background check for health care professionals seeking licensure. This item will be discussed at next meeting.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

H. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee is March 23, 2001 at 9:30 A.M. in the Sussex Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Barbara Dennis, seconded by Donald Weinbaum, Committee moved into executive session to approve executive session minutes of last meeting.

J. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Barbara Dennis, seconded by Donald Weinbaum meeting was adjourned at 3:10 P.M.

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