

**AMENDED
ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

September 24, 2004

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey by Chairman Edward Reading who gave notice of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

II. ROLL CALL

Present

Committee Chair, Edward Reading
Committee Vice Chair, Donald Weinbaum
Committee Member, Sylvia Lippe

Absent

Committee Member Georgene Brazer

Staff Present

Executive Director, Elaine L. DeMars
Deputy Attorney General, Susan Berger
Administrative Staff, Celeste Sweeper
Administrative Staff, Tawana Thomas

The Committee worked as a subcommittee, due to the lack of a quorum, prior to Donald Weinbaum's arrival. Mr. Weinbaum arrived at 12:30 p.m. .

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In order to conduct scheduled investigative inquiries, review individual applications and attend to other confidential matters, the Committee moved into Executive Session at 9:39 a.m.

IV. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES

On a motion made by Donald Weinbaum and seconded by Sylvia Lippe, the minutes of August 27, 2004 public session were approved as amended.

V. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

Assembly Bill No. 2319 (with amendments)

The Committee discussed the proposed legislation which would require certain person to report suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation against vulnerable adults. The Committee finds that the proposal may be in conflict with Federal confidentiality requirements (42CFR Part 2), which may override state law.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Application Processing Report

A total of 1,162 applications have been received.

B. Examination Candidates

APCBNJ has reported that a total of:

190 candidates have taken the examination since March
103 candidates have taken the written (not yet the oral)
87 have taken the oral examination since March
58 passed the written and will be scheduled for the oral in the next quarter

C. International Credential and Reciprocity Consortium

It was reported that several attempts to obtain a list that includes the states that have adopted the ICRC examination as the standard for the state examination and the dates that those states became ICRC compliant, have not yet yielded such list.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public members present.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

Gary L. Vermiere, New Jersey Department of Education

Elaine DeMars will write to Mr. Vermiere to request a copy of the Department of Education's regulations on requirements for the substance awareness coordinator license, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40A-18(c) and N.J.A.C. 6A:9-13.2. Mr. Vermiere is seeking confirmation that school staff performing the functions of the school-based substance awareness coordinator is exempt from the alcohol and drug counselor licensing act. The Committee will request a copy of the Department of Education's regulations and statutes referenced and will provide a copy of the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Licensing and Counseling Act (N.J.S.A. 45:2D-1 et seq.) and the regulations (N.J.A.C. 13:34C). The Committee will request that notification be provided regarding any future alcohol and drug counseling issues within the department's jurisdiction. Once the requested statute and regulations are reviewed by the Committee, a written response to Mr. Vermiere's questions will follow.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2004 Meeting Dates:

October 22, 2004
November 22, 2004
December 20, 2004

B. Proposed 2005 Meeting Dates

January 28, 2005
July 22, 2005
February 25, 2005

August 26, 2005
March 18, 2005
September 23, 2005
April 22, 2005
October 28, 2005
May 27, 2005
November 25, 2005
June 24, 2005

December 23, 2005

X. NEW BUSINESS

Committee Vice Chair Donald Weinbaum informed the Committee that Carolann Kane- Cavaiola, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Addiction Services, has sent a letter to all agencies regulated by the Division of Addiction Services to provide a reminder of the requirements for licensure and certification of alcohol and drug counselors in public and private practice settings and the jurisdiction of the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee. She also urges holders of other state licenses or certificates to review the respective scope of practice to determine whether the CADC or LCADC credential will be required for their practice setting.

XI. CREDENTIAL REVIEW

The following applications were presented to the Committee for final approval and were approved as noted:

On a motion by Sylvia Lippe, seconded by Donald Weinbaum , the following applications were approved as listed:

LCADC - Grandfather

1. Jeanne Barber
2. Michael Baselici
3. Jane Bigelow
4. Frances Biletti
5. Miriam M. Broderick
6. Eileen Brosko*
7. David V. Chango
8. Catherine Cipolone
9. Thomas Close
10. Anthony Comerford
11. John Conneely
12. Lucia Crouch
13. David D'Antonio
14. Nathaniel Dennis
15. Robert DeYoung
16. James D. Dormand
17. Raymond Dreitlein
18. Gloria Egemba
19. Andrew D. Evangelista
20. Frances Fasciani
21. Lisa Fedder
22. Audrey L. Garris
23. Lynne M. Gavan
24. Kendrick Gittens
25. Francis Hanlon
26. Justine A. Harris
27. Douglas Healy
28. Kenneth Hinton
29. Tina Kately
30. Dean LaBollita
31. Karen Madura
32. Linda B. Moore
33. John F. Natale
34. Alice Newman
35. Barbara Paolo

36. Lloyd Reynolds
37. Douglas Schultz
38. Sue Ann Seidenfeld
39. Jerri R. Shankler
40. John S. Sheldon
41. Nancy Stek
42. Susan Turner
43. Linda Tyger
44. Sidsel B. Venger
45. Debra G. Verret
46. James Westbrook
47. Alice Whipple
48. Charles M. White, Jr.

Recusals: Sylvia Lippe recused on the vote for approval of the application for Eileen Brosko. Recusals were based on either personal or professional knowledge of the individuals listed here.

On a motion by Donald Weinbaum, seconded by Sylvia Lippe the following applications were approved as listed:

LCADC - Regular

1. Geetha Arulmohan
2. Suzanne Chiaffitella
3. Erin Cowley *
4. Frederick Cuirilino*
5. Ahmet Dahjani*
6. Gary A. Dock
7. Janine Essig
8. Jamie Fried
9. Lori Gaffen
10. Karin I. Gruss
11. Lisa G. Harmon
12. Prajakata S. Harshe
13. Michael D. James
14. Susan B. McGrath
15. Rosemary Menger
16. Kristal Miller
17. Lawrence Norton
18. Monica O'Grady
19. Elizabeth Rastelli
20. Linda Rodgers
21. Dawn Romeo
22. Kimberly L. Savino
24. G. David Scott
25. Dinita Smith
26. Scott Spatola
27. Margaret Tana
28. Gershon Weiss

Recusals: Ed Reading recused on the vote for approval of the application for Erin Cowley and Ahmet Dahjani. Recusals were based on either personal or professional knowledge of the individuals listed here.

* The application for Eileen Brosko, Frederick Ciurlino, Ahmet Dahjani and Erin Cowley were reviewed and approved by Deputy Director Anthony Miragliotta, due to recusals and a lack of quorum.

CADC - Regular

1. Christine Budnik
2. Kenneth Burgess
3. Audrey Carter
4. Christopher Cassells
5. Anthony Jenkins
6. Nicholas Khan
Denise Klein
7. Phyllis M. Linhart
8. Patricia S. McMullan
9. Joao Pereiea
- 10 William Sapp
11. Janet Simpson
12. Susan H. Stephens
13. Mary Taylor
14. Gabriella Wofford

On a motion by Donald Weinbaum, seconded by Sylvia Lippe the following applications were approved as listed:

Written Exam

1. Gerard Bellizzi

XII. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee is October 22, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Sylvia Lippe, seconded by Donald Weinbaum the Committee adjourned the meeting at 4:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine L. DeMars
Executive Director

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