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Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee  
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### **ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE** **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **SEPTEMBER 28, 2012**

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#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee was called to Order at 9:47 a.m. in the Somerset Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

#### **II. ROLL CALL**

##### **Present:**

Committee Chair, Edward Reading  
Committee Vice-Chair, Sylvia Lippe  
Committee Member, Norwood Allen  
Committee Member, Jamie Lugo

##### **Also Present:**

Alexis Goldberger, Deputy Attorney General  
Terri Goldberg, Assistant Deputy Director  
Milagros Collazzo, Executive Director  
Michela Ross, Government Rep  
Vivian Lopez, Administrative Staff  
Celeste Paige, Administrative Staff

##### **Announcement of Quorum**

Committee Chair, Edward Reading announced the presence of a quorum.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mail to the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, The Newark Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Bergen Record and the Courier Post. Adequate notice of this meeting was also posted on the Committee's web page.

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the August 24, 2012 public meeting were accepted as amended and the July 27, 2012 public meeting minutes were tabled for the October 19, 2012 meeting.

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Juanita Nazamo was present to discuss workforce development. She is concerned with the current DMHAS regulation requiring that 50% of the staff at a DMHAS licensed facility be licensed. In order to maintain this ratio many providers are hesitant to hire interns who then are not able to receive the supervision hours they require for licensure.

**V. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

The following changes to Alcohol and Drug Board Staff: Terri Goldberg will now serve as Assistant Deputy Director of Board Operations; Milagros Collazo will serve as Executive Director of the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee; Michela Ross will serve as Government Rep.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

Waiver Rule - Alexis Goldberger, DAG addressed the Waiver rule effective April 16, 2012, as it would apply to waiving plans of supervision for one year for DMHAS on the Committee's own initiative.

**VII. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for October 19, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

**2012 Meeting Dates:**

October 19, 2012  
November 16, 2012  
December 21, 2012

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Sylvia Lippe, seconded by Norwood Allen, the Committee moved to Executive Session at 10:25 a.m. to conduct an investigative inquiry, review eleven criminal history reports, discuss two consumer complaints that appear to have confidential information regarding potential alcohol and drug issues and other pending disciplinary and confidential matters.

**IV. REVIEW OF CREDENTIALS**

The following applications were approved for licensure/certification:

- A. LCADC - Regular
- B. LCADC - Upgrade
- C. CADC - Regular
- D. Written and Oral Examinations
- E. Oral Examination Only

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Sylvia Lippe seconded by Norwood Allen the meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

