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ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **OCTOBER 23, 2009**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

This scheduled meeting was called to order at 9:42 a.m., in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Committee Chairman, Edward Reading
Committee Member, Sylvia Lippe
Committee Member, Jamie Lugo
Committee Member, Norwood Allen

Recused:

Committee Member, Lorenzo Puertas
Until the matter is resolved, Public Member, Lorenzo Puertas recused from attendance based on services he provides related to the profession that may be a possible violation of the statutory requirement for public board members.

Administrative Staff: Elaine L. DeMars
Celeste Paige
Vivian Lopez

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.

Announcement of quorum was made by Committee Chair, Dr. Reading.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Sylvia Lippe, seconded by Norwood Allen the minutes of the September 23, 2009 public session meeting were approved as amended.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public members present.

V. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

A. Regulation Adoption

The readoption with amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:34C-1 et seq. was published in the New Jersey Register and became effective on October 5, 2009. The “Adoption” is available on the Committee’s Web page. As soon as available the revised regulations will be available under the “Regulations” page on the Committee’s Web page.

On a motion by Norwood Allen, seconded by Jamie Lugo, Edward Reading and Sylvia Lippe were appointed to continue the review of the regulations.

B. Regulation Implementation

Supervision Plan form

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:34C-6.2(l) Committee approval of the Plan of Supervision is required prior to the initiation of the supervisory relationship. The Plan of Supervision has been posted to the Committee’s Web page under “Applications.”

VI. APCBNJ MATTERS

The Committee reviewed a copy of the Addiction Professionals Certification Board of New Jersey’s August 2009 newsletter and accepted it as informational.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

The Committee was advised that the Committee office has received a number of telephone calls and e-mails requesting information on scheduled classes for the required (N.J.A.C. 13:34C-5.2(d)) Legal Standards continuing education course. It was noted that Prevention First will present a Legal Standards course in Ocean, New Jersey on December 1, 2009.

VIII. FILED CONSENT ORDERS

A. Teresa Koehler, CADC - October 23, 2009 filed Consent Order for the Suspension of Certification for the Unlicensed Practice of Alcohol and Drug Counseling.

IX. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for November 19, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in the State Office Building at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

November 19, 2009 (*Thursday*)

December 17, 2009 (*Thursday*)

2010 Meeting Dates

January 28, 2010 (*Thursday*)

July 23, 2010 (*Friday*)

February 25, 2010 (*Thursday*)

August 27, 2010 (*Friday*)

March 26, 2010 (*Friday*)

September 27, 2010 (*Monday*)

April 23, 2010 (*Friday*)

October 22, 2010 (*Friday*)

May 17, 2010 (*Monday*)

November 19, 2010 (*Friday*)

June 24, 2010 (*Thursday*)

December 16, 2010 (*Thursday*)

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:12 a.m. upon a motion made by Jamie Lugo seconded by Norwood Allen, the Committee moved into Executive Session to conduct three investigative inquiries, review criminal history background reports, pending disciplinary and confidential matters.

XI. REVIEW OF CREDENTIALS

Applications for licensure and certification will be reviewed and moved for approval.

A. LCADC - Regular

1. Melissa J. Arnott
2. Courtney B. Chileen
3. Alfredo J. Lowe
4. Elizabeth K. Kartori
5. Justyna L. Wasewicz

B. LCADC - Upgrade

1. Michelle Leshner

C. CADC - Regular

1. Charles Covington
2. Charolette Lanzano
3. Lauren Olsen
4. Irina Vayner

D. Written and Oral Examinations

1. Jillian N. Benincasa
2. Jill M. Berke
3. Jessica E. Bullock
4. Diana Cabana
5. Lisa J. Centeno
6. Herbert F. Coleman
7. Sharon E. Davis
8. Richard DiCarlo
9. Lisa A. Fobian
10. Seasanie M. Harp-Walters
11. Ruth Jean-Marie
12. Christine Johnson
13. Kathleen N. Jurman
14. Cynthia L. Kennedy
15. Gary J. Lepre
16. Wilma Machado
17. Wayne Magee, Jr.
18. Debra B. McKinney-Hill
19. Katasha D. Miller-Wise
20. Linda L. Nash
21. Maria A. Pipitone
22. Darlene M. Posey
23. Sherrie L. Repass
24. Eileen P. Reuter
25. Bethsaida Rivera
26. Cassandra A. Scott-Love

27. Janette J. Sheppar
28. Kelly Thomas
29. Nicole J. Topham
30. Milagros C. Venegas
31. Courtney A. Verrilli

E. Oral Examinations.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Jamie Lugo, seconded by Norwood Allen the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine L. DeMars