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PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS COMMITTEE **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **FEBRUARY 6, 2014**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair, William Green called the meeting to Order at 9:54 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, 7th floor, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

William Green, Committee Chair
Ketrin Saud Maxwell, Committee Vice-Chair (left at 1:06 p.m.)
Peter Economou, Committee Member
W. Michael Shea, Committee Member (left at 1:43 p.m.)
Diane Licht, Committee Member

Absent:

Dana Kaspereen, Committee Member

Also Present:

Shirley Dickstein, Deputy Attorney General
Milagros Collazo, Executive Director
Michela Ross, Government Rep
Celeste Paige, Administrative Staff
Agnes Almeida, Administrative Staff

Committee Chair, William Green announced the presence of a quorum at 9:55 a.m.

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 mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and The Courier Post. Adequate notice of this meeting was also posted on the Committee's web page.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. December 5, 2013

Upon motion by Committee member, Peter Economou, seconded by Committee member Michael Shea, the Committee voted to approve the December 5, 2013 minutes as corrected. Voting in favor: all.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. **Najah Berry, LAC** ~ had general questions regarding how to apply for her LPC
- B. **Jennifer DeLouise** ~ submitted her application for LAC
- C. **Shyamli Shah** ~ submitted her application for LAC
- D. **Robert Pedevillano, LPC** ~ came before the Committee with questions regarding breach of confidentiality. *The Committee directed Mr. Pedevillano to contact the American Counseling Association's (ACA) ethics officer. The Committee stated that only ACA members can take advantage of this service.*

The following members of the public were present and did not comment:

- A. **Emmy Cruz**
- B. **Shalen Blif**

V. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

- A. **Public Law 2013, Chapter 49** ~ An Act passed by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey: C.45:1-15.3 that provides for the Issuance of certain professional, occupational licenses to veterans with equivalent training. *The Committee accepted this as informational.*

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

A. **Reimbursement(s) Reminder**

The fiscal office has requested that we process all reimbursements/stipends on a monthly basis. Future payments will be made via electronic funds transfer - please complete the forms handed out and return to Celeste Paige at the next scheduled meeting.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. **LPC Hours Clarification**

The Committee discussed N.J.A.C 13: 34-11.3(b) and clarified the following:

- if a LPC applicant has their LAC, they have six (6) years from the date they receive their LAC to complete the required 4,500 supervision hours required for LPC licensure.

- the exception to above is for applicants who began their supervision prior to the regulatory change of N.J.A.C 13:34-13.1 that went into effect on October 5, 2011, those applicants have six (6) years from the date their Masters degree in "Counseling" was conferred.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. **American Association of State Counseling Boards (AASCB)**

Chair, William Green reported on his attendance at the AASCB's annual conference. The main topic of the conference being license portability and distance counseling. Chair Bill Green will provide updates and elaborate on ongoing national discussions.

B. CORE and CACREP

Chair, William Green announced that the CORE and CACREP affiliation is now official and will continue to report on changes, etc.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

None to report.

X. COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAMS

A. Grand Canyon University

The Committee tabled the review of Grand Canyon University's counseling curriculum until its March 6, 2014 meeting.

XI. NEW JERSEY COUNSELING ASSOCIATION (NJCA)

The Committee reviewed NJCA's approval of the Committee's proposal to present at its April 5, 2014 conference. The Committee accepted this as informational.

XII. NATIONAL BOARD OF CERTIFIED COUNSELORS (NBCC)

Nothing to report.

XIII. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Rule and Regulations sub-committee

Peter Economou reported that the Rules and Regulations sub-committee met in January to begin review of current regulations and propose changes for the Committee's review/approval in advance of the Sunset date.

B. FAQs sub-committee

Ketrin Saud-Maxwell reported that the FAQs sub-committee met in January and a draft of the FAQs will be presented to the entire Committee at its next meeting on March 6, 2014.

C. Internet Counseling sub-committee

Peter Economou reported that the Internet Counseling sub-committee is currently tabled due to the evolving nature of distance counseling.

XIV. FILED ORDERS

None to report.

XV. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for March 6, 2014

Proposed Meeting Dates for 2014

March 6, 2014	August 7, 2014
April 3, 2014	September 4, 2014
May 1, 2014	October 2, 2014
June 5, 2014	November 6, 2014
July 10, 2014	December 1, 2014

XVI. APPLICATIONS REVIEWED

Applicants approved to take NCE Exam

Carrie M. Brunken
Alyssa M. Cariani
Karen Cooper
Stephanie A. D'Amore
Stephanie C. Di Candia
Greta P. Enriquez
Eddie G. Farrell
Andrea K. Greenfield
Jessica L. Hart
Jessica Heaton
Lyndsie C. Johnson
Andrew Kitchen
Emily S. Krause
Jordan L. Kapp
Francesca D. Lopis
Stephanie B. Mannon
Heather L. Morgen
Antoinette V. Obermeire
Rachael M. Paulbeck
Rosenna D.H. Pemberton
Tennille C. Raney
Kristen M. Rivera
Karen J. Salazar
Stephen J. Salzman
Lugenia M. Small
Ryan S. Squillacioti
Kimberly S. Stevenson
Ryan S. Vaglio
Charles Zapata

LAC approved

Diane M. Beck
Jennifer A. Betancourt
Kathleen Bonfield
Victoria K. Camacho
Marisa Campanella-Harris
Claire Casey
Yohselyn Daniel Burns
Tierney J. Farry
Jill A. Glenney
Melissa Henry
Luis M. Mendoza
Debroah F. Michelman
Cassandra Miranda
Jovitha L. Mudacumura
Doreen C. Mullarney
Christina M. Skyers
Talnisha S. Smith
Jody R. Stoothoff
Nahia R. Toomer
Nina M. Vitale
Carmen C. Ward
Erin M. Werner

LPC approved

Millicent Brown
Rhonda Chabbott
William H. Clark
Jodi Dash
Rosanna De Jesus
Meredith E. Gonzanbach
Veronica L. Karner
Patricia A. Kryger
Grace E. Lee
Patrick J. Manista
Wesley M. Myers
Tricia A. McGarrigle
Dimitris M. Meredith
Susan P. Nemeth
Andrea R. Nyerges
Alessio Pisano
Alexandria L. Riley
Kimberly A. Rodgers

Danica L. Rozario
Ellen Sammitt
Tara M. Shanker
Maria Spada
Nicole A. Tango
Brett A. Vasquez
Alycia M. Zelanicky

Reinstatements Approved

Karen Carr-Barretto, LPC

Plans of Supervision Approved

Jodi Dash, LAC
Cassie E. Sullivan, LAC
Dawn M. Fuller, LAC
Vanessa Moregenthaler, LAC
Casey Terzis, LAC

Specialty Designation Approved

Suzi Sena, LPC - "Career Counselor"

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Ketrin Saud-Maxwell seconded by Diane Licht, the Committee voted to move to Executive session to review four (4) consumer complaints, hold one (1) investigative inquiry, review of applications and plans of supervision plans, and other confidential matters at 11:41 a.m. Voting in favor: all.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon unanimous consent Committee voted to return to Public session at 2:20 p.m. and adjourned the February 6, 2014 meeting.

