

**State Board of Professional Counselor Committee Meeting
Open Session Minutes**

April 3, 2003

A. CALL TO ORDER

This regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Committee Vice Chair Abbey F. Bradway who read the notice of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

B. ROLL CALL

Present:

Committee Vice Chairman Abbey F. Bradway
Committee Member Jerry Cohen
Committee Member Ronald A. Rossell
Committee Member Edward Stroh

Absent:

Committee Chairman J. Barry Mascari
Committee Member Connie Todd

Staff Present:

Executive Director Dennis E. Gonzalez
Deputy Attorney General Marilyn Bair
Regulatory Analyst Danielle Swenson
Jane Cofone Administrative Staff

C. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2003

On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by R. Rossell, minutes were approved without corrections.

D. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

1. Professional and Rehabilitation Counselor Regulation Sunsets

Committee members met with Regulatory Analyst Danielle Swenson and extensively reviewed the regulations which are scheduled to sunset in November of 2003. Ms. Swenson will submit for Committee approval, the regulations with the discussed changes at next month's meeting.

2. Criminal Background Check

Committee members were informed that effective November 22, 2003, all applicants must undergo, at their own expense, a criminal history background check mandated by State Law.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Joanne MacLennan, Ed.D.

Committee received a letter from Joanne MacLennan regarding her course work. Executive Director

Dennis Gonzalez will respond to Ms. MacLennan that she must first file an application before the Committee can review her course work.

2. Joanne Jodry, LPC

Committee received a letter from Ms. Jodry who is the Executive Director of the NJCA inviting the Committee to speak at its annual conference. On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by R. Rossell the Committee authorized Committee Chair, B. Mascari and Executive Director, Dennis Gonzalez to speak at this conference.

3. NBCC

Committee received notice from the NBCC regarding its annual conference to be held August 8 thru August 10, 2003. On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by R. Rossell Committee voted to authorize Executive Director Dennis Gonzalez and Committee member Ronald Rossell to attend. Executive Director Dennis Gonzalez will travel and attend at the expense of the NBCC, Committee member Rossell will travel and attend at the expense of the Committee.

F. OLD BUSINESS

Out-of State Licensure Survey

Committee members received survey completed by the Executive Director regarding the licensure requirements of other states. On a motion by J Cohen, seconded by E. Stroh, the Committee voted to authorize the Executive Director to inform applicants from states that clearly do not have requirements substantially similar to New Jersey that they cannot file as an out-of-state applicant and can only file as a regular applicant.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. AASCB Conference Report

Committee member Ed Stroh gave Committee a report on his participation at the annual conference of the American Association of State Counseling Boards.

2. Online Licensee Directory

Committee members were informed that the online licensing directory which was out of service for almost a year is now back up and running.

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

I. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee is May 1, 2003

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by J. Cohen, seconded by R. Rossell Committee went into Executive Session.

K. REVIEW OF CREDENTIALS

On a motion by E. Stroh, seconded by J. Cohen, the Cmmittee took the following action regarding applications:

APPROVED FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

Maribel Adamo
Marie A. Bates
Dan W. Baugess
James A. Brix
Christa F. Brown
Nicole A. Canary-Digironimo
Diana M. Cofsky
Julie Diaz-Poore
Joanne Diffenbaugh
Ronald Gonzalez
Irena Guberman
Emily J. Harker
Carol Helmer
Jennifer Hess
Virginia S. Hill
Roberta J. Kaplan
Margaret R. Linn
Michelle McNulty
Melissa J. Meyer
Kristine A. Moskal
Charles Radiola
Evelyn R. Satkowski
Stacey M. Solomon
Robert Wesley
Mark S. Woodford

DENIED FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR

Caroll A. Clark
Nicole Diamond
Bonnie L. Dirkson
Suzanne Fischer
Robert L. GramM
Michelle Holowaty
Claudette Kolster
Cathy A. Ludwig
Kathleen McBride
Gina Peccia
Linda Rauh
Katherine A. Smith
Kathryn Snyder

APPROVED FOR ASSOCIATE COUNSELOR

Michele Fisher
Michele M. Rovello-Visco
Victoria Zydzik

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis Gonzalez
Executive Director
