

**Professional Counselor Committee Meeting
Open Session Minutes**

August 7, 2003

A. CALL TO ORDER

This regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Committee Chair J. Barry Mascari who read the notice of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

B. ROLL CALL

Present:

Committee Chairman J. Barry Mascari
Committee Member Abbey F. Bradway
Committee Member Jerry Cohen
Committee Member Ronald A. Rossell
Committee Member Edward Stroh

Staff Present:

Executive Director Dennis E. Gonzalez
Deputy Attorney General Marilyn Bair
Jane Cofone Administrative Staff

C. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES OF JUNE 5, 2003

On a motion by R. Rossell, seconded by A. Bradway, minutes were approved with corrections.

D. GOODBYE TO DAG MARILYN BAIR

Committee members bid farewell to DAG Marilyn Bair since this will be her last meeting with the Committee. Committee gave DAG Bair a gift and wished her well in all her future endeavors.

E. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

Committee members were informed that the bill to reopen the grandfather period was approved by the Assembly Committee. Bill would need to be voted on by the full assembly before December in order to become law.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Stephanie Braslaw - In response to Ms. Braslaw's e-mail, the Executive Director will write to her and inform her that as an LPC, any designation of degree following her name must be from a regionally accredited university.

2. Nichole Diamond - In response to Ms. Diamond's letter, the Executive Director will write to Ms. Diamond and inform her that the Committee will accept any credits that she takes at Northern California University, since it is a regionally accredited university.

3. Cindy Everitt - In response to Ms. Everitt's e-mail, the Executive Director will write to Ms. Everitt and inform her that the Committee does not offer mediation between employer and employee.

4. Kathy Freda - In response to Ms. Freda's letter, the Executive Director will write to her and inform her that once the new sunset regulations are approved, the Committee will hold informational sessions to inform the public.

G. OLD BUSINESS

HIPPA Compliance

Committee members were given copies of the most recent American Counseling Association's newsletter regarding HIPPA Compliance.

H. NEW BUSINESS

Public Comments

Committee decided to confirm its policy that they will not entertain any member of the public who comes before the Committee to discuss his/her application. Any question, comments, objections or appeals regarding an application must be submitted to the Committee in writing.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Paula Danzinger, President, NJCA

Dr. Danzinger asked if there is reciprocity between New Jersey and the five states: Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi and Pennsylvania that are approved for endorsement. Ms. Danzinger was informed that there is no reciprocity between New Jersey and any state.

2 Neil Harrington

Mr. Harrington appeared before the Committee to discuss his application for licensure. Mr. Harrington was informed that the Committee does not discuss applications at meetings and that he should address his comments or questions to the Committee in writing.

3. Jack Egan, NJ Mental Health Association.

Mr. Egan asked the Board the advantages of having a specialty designation. Mr. Egan was informed that having a specialty designation allows the licensee to advertise that specialty.

J. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee is September 4, 2003 at 9:30 a.m., 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by R. Rossell, seconded by J. Cohen, the Committee voted to go into Executive Session.

L. REVIEW OF CREDENTIALS

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

APPROVED FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR

Mary R. Apol
Kelly A. Bal
Wendy M. Brown
Elizabeth R. Cunha
Karen B. Donahue
Thomas W. Eckel
Elizabeth S. Ellis
Nancy C. Gabriel
Jacqueline C. Giordano
Melissa B. Held
Barbara E. Hines
Brian M. Houst
Michael P. Huber
Janine Kaelin-Walsh
Pamela H. Kanter
Eli R. Karlin
Mary A. Katz
Donna Miller
Andrea H. Paley
Jeanmarie Petrino
Michelle Rovello-Visco
Artsuko Seto
Gerilyn A. Smith
Rayburne M. Strange
Charles Ukaomo
Jennifer L. Wacker
Jeffrey Weisslitz

DENIED FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR

Sherry B. Artz
Lisa Collins
Doris A. Dinallo
Brian S. Eig
Anthony Gaudio
Neil Harrington
Leslie Kubisiak
Ethel M. Love
Susan M. Maron
Mariya Martyneuko
Monica O'Grady
Kathleen E. Quinn
Jennifer L. Sherman
Alicja Sosidko
Kimberly B. Stender
Amy Villano
Lisa Villano

Amy Zieman-Swart

APPROVED FOR ASSOCIATE COUNSELOR

Christine Abrahams
Teresa B. Battaglia
Sarah Beckett
Maria E. Brent
Carol A. Broda
Melissa A. Famularo
Mary F. Femiano
AnnMarie Gigante
James J. Hutchison
Barbara Samaan
Annette K. Shreiber
Maryann Tuohy
Susan N. Wolgemuth

DENIED FOR ASSOCIATE COUNSELOR

Joyce L. Graham

APPROVED FOR REHABILITATION COUNSELORS

Marzella Carter
Susan Shipley

M. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis Gonzalez
Executive Director
