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THE ART THERAPISTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Art Therapists Advisory Committee was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by Annette Vaccaro in the Sussex Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Annette Vaccaro, Ed.D., SW, MA, LCSW, Committee Vice-Chair
Mary Gambarony, MA, Committee Member

Excused:

Rita Klachkin, Ed.S., MS, LPC, Committee Secretary

Also in Attendance:

Milagros Collazo, Executive Director
Carmen Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General
Rachel Glasgow, Regulatory Analyst
Indira Nunez, Government Representative

Annette Vaccaro announced the presence of a quorum at 9:32 a.m. and read the below statement:

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 Record and the Courier Post and also posted on the Committee's web page.

III. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES

The minutes from the July 17, 2018 public session meeting were presented for review. The Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners ratified the minutes at its September 13, 2018 meeting.

Upon motion made by Ms. Gambarony, seconded by Dr. Vaccaro, the minutes were accepted as ratified. Voting in favor: All.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following persons attended the public session:

Carol F. Critchlow, Therapist/Art, Trenton Psychiatric Hospital
Katherine Rubbe, Caldwell University, Student
Rebecca Colson, Caldwell University, Student
Jen Albright, Caldwell University, Student
Chelsea Darling, Caldwell University, Student
Courtney Medina, Caldwell University, Student
Alyssa Udijohn, Caldwell University, Student
Francesca Russo, Caldwell University, Student
Mailaina Ether, Caldwell University, Student
Jeanine Ramonas, Caldwell University, Student

V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:8B-56, the Committee shall hold an election to select new officers.

The Committee determined to table the matter to its November meeting as all members were not present.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Milagros Collazo, Executive Director, informed the Committee that she is currently working on a draft for the jurisprudence orientation as well as the application forms. The drafts will be available for Committee review as the approval process for the regulations is closer.

VII. LEGISLATIVE / REGULATORY

A. Assembly Bill 1531- FYI Only

The Committee reviewed the Bill, which revises law concerning reciprocity for out-of-State professional and occupational licenses (Signed into law as P.L.2018, c.78. 8/10/18).

The Committee accepted this as informational.

B. 38 CFR Part 17-FYI Only

The Committee reviewed 38 CFR Part 17 which is a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) amendment of its medical regulations by standardizing the delivery of care by VA health care providers through telehealth.

The Committee accepted this as informational.

C. PL 2018, c34-Amends N.J.S.A. 2A:62A-16- FYI Only

The Committee reviewed PL 2018, C34 which is regarding health care professionals' duty to warn and protect and amending P.L.1991, c.270.

The Committee accepted this as informational.

D. Senate Bill 2929

The Committee reviewed the Bill, which establishes local drug overdose fatality review teams in each county in State.

The Committee accepted this as informational.

E. Assembly Bill 4381- FYI Only

The Committee reviewed Bill which will require public high school students to receive instruction concerning opioid abuse and opioid abuse prevention.

The Committee accepted this as informational.

F. Assembly Bill 3728

A member of the public in attendance, presented the Committee with copies of the Bill which seeks to provide exemption to licensing requirements for certain art therapists.

The Committee did not comment on the Bill, as it is the same as Assembly Bill 4650, which the Committee had voted not to support on August 15, 2017. Same was noted on the minutes.

G. Chapter 341

The Board reviewed the amendment to Chapter 341 concerning controlled dangerous substance and prescription monitoring. The law mandates one continuing education credit of prescription opioid abuse, but does not specifically mention art therapists.

The Committee determined not to make the continuing education credit mandatory for its licensees. The Committee stated that it values the information that can be obtained from taking continuing education credits in this topic for art therapists working with this population, but at this time will not make it a requirement for licensure renewal.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Jurisprudence Orientation discussion.

Ms. Collazo, Executive Director, informed the Committee that the jurisprudence orientation draft is a work in progress. Ms. Collazo is using the Dentistry Board's jurisprudence as a guide to draft the Committee's orientation.

B. The 3RD quarterly report for Fiscal Year 2018 is presented for review

The Committee accepted this as informational.

IX. ART THERAPY CREDENTIALS BOARD

Nothing to report.

X. NEXT MEETING

*The Committee determined to cancel its November 20, 2018 meeting and change its December meeting to **December 11, 2018.***

2018 Meeting Dates

December 11, 2018

2019 Meeting Dates

Upon motion made by Ms. Gambarony, seconded by Dr. Vaccaro, the Committee determined to accept the proposed 2019 meeting dates as presented. Voting in favor: All.

January 15, 2019
February 19, 2019
March 19, 2019
April 16, 2019
May 21, 2019
June 18, 2019

July 16, 2019
August 20, 2019
September 17, 2019
October 22, 2019
November 19, 2019
December 17, 2019

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion made by Ms. Gambarony, seconded by Dr. Vaccaro, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 a.m. Voting in favor: All.