



State of Nevada

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Approved:

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, August 4, 2017

Nevada State Board of Examiners for Marriage and
Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors
9436 West Lake Mead Boulevard #11-J
Las Vegas, Nevada 89134-8342

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Meeting called to order at 10:03 A.M. by Mr. Jake Wiskerchen, President.

Board Members Present

Jake Wiskerchen, President
Suzanne Cram, Secretary/Treasurer
Erik Schoen, Member
Hal Taylor, Member
John Nixon, Member
Adrienne O'Neal, Member

Board Staff Present

Quinn Kennedy
Sherry Rodriguez
Nisa LeMay

Members Absent

Roberta Vande Voort, Vice President
Wendy Nason, Member
Marta Wilson, Member

Others Present

Sarah Bradley, Deputy Attorney General (DAG)

2. Public Comment – No public comment.
3. Approval of the 4/21/2017, 5/19/2017 and 6/16/2017 meeting minutes (For Possible Action)
Motion to approve 4/21/2017 meeting minutes as written; Mr. Hal Taylor; Second- Mr. Erik Schoen.

Vote: Ayes- 6; Nays-0; Abstentions- 1

Discussion: Ms. Suzanne Cram states that there are certain grammatical issues that the board should consider deleting to make statements coherent for the public. Mr. Jake Wiskerchen states that writing should be focused on capturing the essence of what was discussed and should be concise since audiotapes for the meeting are available. Mr. Erik Schoen states that

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he likes the direction the discussion is going regarding Ms. Cram ensuring quality of writing. Mr. Schoen suggests that rather than Ms. Quinn Kennedy doing the drafts, it could be shared with somebody else. Mr. Wiskerchen asks Ms. Cram if it would be alright if she sends edited version to Ms. Kennedy, and Ms. Cram agrees to work with Ms. Kennedy directly with the draft.

Mr. Hal Taylor asks Ms. Sarah Bradley to verify if the board will still be in compliance with timely review of minutes if they decide to take back final draft to make changes to the meeting minutes, but the final approval of the minutes will not be until the next meeting.

Ms. Bradley states that it will not be in compliance since the law states that it has to be approved within 45 days of last meeting. Ms. Bradley clarifies issue discussed about substance of meeting minutes, and provides general information of what is acceptable.

Mr. Wiskerchen proposes that Ms. Cram takes short hand notes during meeting. Ms. Cram states that it might be too distracting for her voting participation. Ms. Quinn states that she has no issue summarizing meeting minutes for the board, and that the only issue was the she was asked before to take notes verbatim. Per Mr. Wiskerchen's request, Ms. Cram enumerated the changes for the minute meetings that will be passed.

Mr. Wiskerchen states that in event of split votes, names should be attached to the vote, and in a non-unanimous vote, the conversation should be added. Ms. Bradley states that it is up to the board, but technically the law states that in an event where voting is not unanimous, it is only required to attach the name to the vote if one of the members request it at the meeting. Ms. Bradley said that it can be done if it is the policy that Mr. Wiskerchen wants to implement but it is not required. Mr. Wiskerchen retracts adding name to the vote, but wants the context to why the vote is split be added so the public will be provided with the reason behind the votes.

Ms. Adrienne O'Neal states that Ms. Roberta Vande Voort has a change that she asked Ms. O'Neal to bring up to the meeting. Ms. O'Neal states that per Nisa's notes from April meeting minutes, Ms. Vande Voort was written to second a vote regarding a person Ms. Vande Voort supervises, but she actually abstained. The board has difficulty locating the person, so Ms. O'Neal states that she will let Ms. Vande Voort know that it was brought up, and ask her to indicate who it is for. Mr. Wiskerchen states that Ms. Vande Voort can just

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email Ms. Kennedy, and since it is addressed, it should be sufficient.

Passed noting the abstention from Mr. John Nixon due to him not being present at the mentioned meeting.

Motion to approve 5/19/2017 meeting minutes as written; Mr. Erik Schoen; Second- Mr. Hal Taylor.

Vote: Ayes- 6; Nays-0; Abstentions- 0

Discussion: Mr. Erik Schoen states that he is thrilled with the level of detail on the meeting minutes, and thanks Ms. Quinn Kennedy.

Mr. Jake Wiskerchen and Ms. Suzanne Cram states possible corrections from meeting minutes and asks for clarifications.

Mr. Hal Taylor states a possible correction with capitalization of letter H in his name. The board states that they do not have the same issue on their copies.

Discussion regarding use of word intern

Mr. Jake Wiskerchen states that the letters that goes to interns, there is a line that states to not put CPC-I or MFT-I because “I” can stand for inactive and can be a misinterpretation of license. However, Mr. Wiskerchen states that he does not if the board of examiners can instruct people on how to list their license, and there are certain websites where characters are limited and cannot spell out the word intern. Mr. Wiskerchen suggests retracting or rephrasing it to say something like “please be mindful of” rather than a command or imperative. Ms. Sarah Bradley states that it will depend on what your regulations or laws states. Ms. Bradley states that it is up to Mr. Wiskerchen if he wants to make it specific and have intern spelled out, but a regulation change needs to be made to support it. Ms. Bradley states that per regulations NAC 641A.196 (3) there should be a statement describing the status of the intern. Mr. Wiskerchen suggests to strike the language from the letter and say “please refer to NAC 641A.196 and include material that identifies you as an intern and avoid abbreviations.” Ms. Bradley agrees and suggests looking at regulation per changes. Mr. Wiskerchen states that it is not due to it being unclear but rather due to a bad apple many years ago with an inactive license advertising for the purpose of pulling the public. Ms. Quinn Kennedy counters that it is not because of the bad apple but because of insurance companies constantly calling because they are unclear what the “I” meant. Mr. Wiskerchen states that he will work with Ms. Kennedy to change that sentence to make it less imperative and simultaneously work on a code change.

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Passed Unanimously

Meeting Minutes for 6/16/2017 - Tabled

4. Review/decision regarding the following licensees who have petitioned the Board to be
TYPO
5. Items for future agendas. (Discussion)
 - A. Review dates for next Board Meeting. (For Possible Action)
Next Board Meeting scheduled for August 18, 2017 at 9:00 am (Teleconference)
and September 22, 2017 at 9:00 am (Videoconference)
 - B. Review dates for next intern interviews. (For Possible Action)
No Board Interview dates set at the meeting will schedule via email.
6. Public Comments. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. (Discussion)
7. Adjournment. (For Possible Action)
Meeting adjourned at 1a:58 am by Mr. Jake Wiskerchen, President

Submitted By: _____
Quinn Kennedy, Interim Executive Director

■ This conference was recorded.

Board Minutes are not subject to revision after approval.

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