

State of Nevada
Board of Examiners for Marriage & Family Therapists & Clinical Professional Counselors

AGENDA AND NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC MEETING

Friday, December 14, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

Nevada Board of Examiners
For Marriage & Family Therapists & Clinical Professional Counselors
7324 West Cheyenne Avenue, Suite 9
Las Vegas, NV 89129

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Action by the Board on any item may be to approve, deny, amend or table.

1. Call to Order, roll call, Confirmation of Quorum. 8:30am:

Absent: Hal Taylor, Roberta Vande Voort, Adrienne O’Neal

Present: SDAG Henna Rasul, Jake Wiskerchen, John Nixon, Erik Schoen, Steve Nicholas, Barry Blackburn, Marta Wilson, Hal Taylor.

Public attendees: Christine Greene, Matt Burkhardt, Colton Ralphs, Brigitte Price, Alexandra Vaughn

2. Public comment

No vote may be taken upon a matter raised during a period devoted to public comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020)

3. Christine Greene petitions the board to approve her CPC internship under extenuating circumstances (For discussion/possible action)

Christine Greene spoke to her qualifications and her hours in Massachusetts. She is a licensed alcohol and drug counselor in Massachusetts. She hopes to gain authorization to begin her CPC internship. Jake and Sherry confirmed her number of hours. Marta reported that the academic review process is awaiting some documentation of coursework and hours. Marta also questioned the merits of the course syllabi. Marta stated that coursework is incomplete for academic review. Erik questioned if the candidate had ever attained approval of internship in Massachusetts.

Christine claims to have sent syllabi to the BoE office. Christine claimed her internship in Massachusetts, while not recognized by their BoE, was legitimate and she hoped for the hours to be recognized in Nevada. She would like her hours to be considered in lieu of coursework.

Jake reviewed the BoE’s abilities to observe the laws in Nevada and that we can’t grant coursework credit for her unlicensed hours nor can the BoE grant reciprocity for her hours.

Erik concurred with Jake’s comments. The BoE is bound by our legal codes and is not able to

grant reciprocity for an unlicensed internship.

Christine hopes for clarification for her needed academic requirements. Jake directed her to the NAC requirements.

Motion to deny Christine Greene's application: 1st: Steve 2nd: John. Vote: Passed unanimously.

4. Alexandra Vaughn petitions the board to approve her CPC internship under extenuating circumstances (For discussion/possible action)

Alexandra defended her academic transcript as sufficing for practicum hours. Alexandra described the quantity of hours and types of activities. She added that Nevada's laws don't describe a definition of graduate students' requirements for supervised practice.

John clarified the language of CPC governance and regulations. He noted that roleplaying does not meet the same standards. Jake expanded upon John's comments and explained that role plays cannot equate to working with real patient populations. Simply, pretend scenarios don't capture the authenticity of traditional patient populations who have true clinical situations. Marta described the previous and new code descriptions. The language describes the minimum requirement of 40 weeks.

Motion to deny Alexandra Vaughn's application: 1st: Erik 2nd: Steve. Vote: Passed unanimously.

5. Abigail Baron petitions the board to approve her MFT/CPC internship under extenuating circumstances (For discussion/possible action)

This item has been removed from the agenda.

6. Board member comments

Erik noted the difficulty and importance of the academic review. Marta echoed that the BoE academic review process is "on point" and the process seems to be working.

7. Discussion regarding future agenda items and future meeting dates:

- a. Wednesday, December 19th @ 9:00am – telephonic meeting
- b. Friday, January 18th @ 9:00am – meeting and hearing
- c. Friday, February 15th @ 9:00am

8. Public comment.

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9. Adjournment (For possible action)

Adjourned at 9:17am.

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