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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling
July 13, 2023

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling was called to order by Amy Eigenberg, Chair, at 9:01 a.m., in the Lower Level B (Morrill Room), Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. In accordance with § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were 1) mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, and 2) posted on the DHHS web site at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx> and on the bulletin board in the Licensure Unit Lobby on 3.30.2023.

The following members answered roll call:

Members Present (6):

Lori Cleveland, Member
Terry Duffy, Member
Victor Gehrig, Vice-Chair
Amy Eigenberg, Chair
Tom Maxson, Member
Jill Colegrove, Secretary

Members Absent (2):

Natasha Robinson, Member
Brian Bierschenk, Member

Staff and Others Present (5):

Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit (in room)
Matt Gelvin, Program Manager, Licensure Unit (via WebEx)
TJ O'Neil, Assistant Attorney General (in room)
Suzanne Glover-Ettrich, DHHS Attorney (via WebEx)
Julianna Lanphier-Willson, DHHS Attorney (in room)

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Duffy, to approve the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Duffy moved, seconded by Colegrove, to approve the minutes. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried.

4. Updates, New Business, and Reports

a) Legislative Session 2023

Oldehoeft discussed legislation that are not specific to Alcohol and Drug Counseling, but could effect the members.

- LB 16 Occupational Reform and Preliminary Conviction Review
https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view_bill.php?DocumentID=49705
- LB 337 Confidentiality
https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view_bill.php?DocumentID=49732

No legislative updates

9:07 am Klaassen – investigations entered room

- b) Continued Discussion Relating to Developing a Jurisprudence Examination
 - Deferring to the next meeting
- c) Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report
 - No report at this time
- d) International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) <https://internationalcredentialing.org>
 - Fall annual meeting October 16 & 17.

MOTION: Duffy, moved, seconded by Colegrove, to approved Robinson to be the Nebraska state delegate. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried.

MOTION: Duffy, moved, seconded by Gehrig, to approved funding for Maxon to attend the Annual meeting. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (4). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2), Abstain: Maxson (1). Motion carried.

- e) Reports: Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Actions, License Statistics, Examination Statistics, and Administrative Fees (attached with agenda)

5. IC & RC Entry Level Peer – Board review determined this is not an Alcohol and Drug credential

6. COMMENT

9:27 am Cue, Meyerson, Krueger entered room

6. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION **CLOSED SESSION**

MOTION: Duffy moved, seconded by Cleveland, to enter into closed session at 9:34 a.m. to hear discussions of investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputations of the individuals. Eigenberg repeated the motion purpose. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

10:00 am Duffy exited room
10:07 am Duffy entered room
10:08 am Maxson exited room
10:10 am Cue, Meyerson exited room
10:12 am Cue entered room
10:15 am Duffy entered room
10:15 am cue exited room
10:25 am Klassen exited room

10:25 am Board break

10:40 am Board returned from break

11:11 am After Board Member agreement, Eigenberg stated the meeting is now in open session

7. REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT OUT **OPEN SESSION: Applications, Summary of Mail Ballot Votes and Reinstatements**

Antonia Dorsey- PLADC

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Gehrig, defer for more information. A voice vote was taken.

Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Jena Schlatz- PLADC

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Gehrig, defer for more information. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Rachel Loyuk

MOTION: Duffy moved, seconded by Gehrig, to issue without any terms or conditions. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Ashley Jessen- PLADC

MOTION: Colegrove moved, seconded by Cleveland, to deny the application. Basis for recommendation: Failure to comply with board request for information and Conviction History. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Maxson, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk (2). Motion carried

Jennifer Woody - Alcohol and Drug Counselor

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Maxon, issue with probation based on settlement offer for Provisional Alcohol and Drug Counselor. Basis for recommendation: PLADC is currently on probation. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Duffy, Gehrig, Eigenberg, Colegrove (5). Voting nay: Maxson (1). Absent: Robinson, Bierschenk, (2). Motion carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Eigenberg announced the next meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2023, and declared the meeting adjourned at 11:19 am.

Summarized by:
Carrie Oldehoeft, Health Licensing Coordinator