

**TENNESSEE BOARD OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COUNSELORS
MINUTES**

DATE: October 22, 2010

TIME: 9:00 a.m., CST

LOCATION: Health Related Boards
Poplar Room
227 French Landing, Suite 150
Nashville, TN 37243

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Richard Terry Kinnaman, LADAC, Chair
Jacques Tate, LADAC
Garner Cagle, LADAC, Secretary
Sherry Butler, LADAC
Major McNeil, Citizen Member

STAFF PRESENT: Melody Spitznas, Board Administrator
Elizabeth Miller, Director of Health Related Boards
Barbara Maxwell, A & D Board Director
Rachel Appelt, Attorney, Office of General Counsel
Ashley Carter, Deputy General Counsel
Barbara West, Paralegal, Office of General Counsel

OTHERS ATTENDING: Kathy Benson, National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC)
David Brown, Council for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services (CADAS)
Debbie Hillin, Buffalo Valley, Inc.
Vernon Miller, TN Association of Alcohol, Drug and other Addiction Services (TAADAS)

Mr. Kinnaman, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present. Mr. Kinnaman welcomed new Board member, Sherry Butler, A & D Counselor, to the Board.

Rulemaking Hearing

A rulemaking hearing was conducted to amend the rules to expand the scope of practice to include compulsive gambling disorders; to require supervisors who supervise applicants seeking to treat persons with compulsive gambling disorders to obtain not less than sixty (60) formal classroom hours of instruction related to compulsive gambling disorders prior to undertaking such supervision; to reduce the number of required continuing education hours from 30 to 15

annually; and, to add the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities to the list of approved continuing education providers.

Mr. Cagle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tate, to approve the amendment to Rule 1200-30-01-.02(2) to add the language “licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors” to the beginning of the sentence. The motion carried.

Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cagle, to delete the last sentence is Rule 1200-3-.01-.04 pertaining to qualifications for licensure. The motion carried.

Mr. McNeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cagle, to further amend Rule 1200-30-01-.12 to require nine (9) continuing education hours to be face to face, six (6) to be multi-media and three (3) of the total fifteen (15) continuing education hours be in ethics. The motion carried.

Mr. Cagle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tate, to approve the Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Statement of Economic Impact to Small Businesses. The motion carried.

Mr. McNeil made a motion seconded by Mr. Tate, to approve the rule amendments. A roll call vote was conducted and all Board members voted in the affirmative.

Report from Kathy Benson, National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors

Ms. Benson stated that NAADAC provides a program for continuing education courses which includes information on the course speaker, professional references and course syllabi for this service. NAADAC charges course providers \$400 for a two (2) years unlimited continuing education course, \$200 for two (2) courses per year, and \$100 for a single course. Ms. Benson stated she will make the information available to the Board.

Minutes

Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil, to approve the August 13, 2010 minutes. The motion carried.

OGC Report

There are no open disciplinary files in OGC.

The following legislation affecting all health related boards has been enacted: Public Chapter 1043 pertaining to health related boards, Public Chapters 862 and 865 pertaining to medical records and Public Chapter 1084 pertaining to the protection of elderly and disabled adults.

Investigative Report

There are four (4) open complaints in Investigations.

Disciplinary Report

Three (3) practitioners are currently being monitored. One monitored practitioner retired his license, but must comply with his disciplinary order if he reinstates his license.

Financial Report

As of June 2010 the Board had direct expenditures totaling \$25,873.36 and revenue collections totaling \$72,110. The indirect expenditures are being calculated and the complete report for FY2010 will be mailed to the Board members.

Administrator Report

There are currently 428 actively licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors.

From January 2010 through July 2010, eight (8) alcohol and drug abuse counselors were audited. Four (4) of the eight (8) were compliant.

Newly Licensed

There were no newly licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors from August 2010 to present.

Reinstated Licensees

Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil, to approve the following reinstated alcohol and drug abuse counselors:

Doug Andreasen
Jamie Lee Gray
Herman Holmes
Brenda Joyce Humphrey

The motion carried.

Written Examination Results

Two (2) candidates sat for the written examination in September 2010 and both failed.

Oral Examination Results

Mr. McNeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tate, to approve the following applicants who passed the oral exam:

Sherry Gwyn
Marcus Jemison

The motion carried.

Ms. Benson stated they are giving applicants multiple opportunities to review the oral exam tapes to determine where they are deficient. The exam evaluator gives the reason for failing at the end of the tape for the applicant's benefit.

Ms. Benson suggested providing the applicant's supervisor feedback on why the applicant failed the exam.

Ms. Carter stated the Board may need to obtain a release form from the applicant before providing that information.

Continuing Education

Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil, to approve the following courses:

Workshop on Substance Abuse Diagnostics

October 10, 2011

Michelle K. Wilson, LPC, LADAC

Workshop on Motivational Interviewing

November 9, 2011

Michelle K. Wilson, LPC, LADAC

The Healing Arts Research Training Center

Numerous dates

Reverent Dr. Jane Abraham, LCSW, CATODSW, LADAC, NCAC II, CCAP, ICADC, ADS, CLP

CARF 2010 Opioid Treatment Programs

September 22-24, 2010

Bettye Harrison, Hope Bolger

The motion carried.

Review Applications

Ms. Butler made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil, to approve **Ann Clark** to sit for the written examination. The motion carried.

Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil, to approve **Mandy Colburn** to sit for the written examination. The motion carried.

Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cagle, to approve **Clarence Williamson** for licensure. The motion carried.

Mr. McNeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cagle, to approve **Curtis McKeithan** to sit for the written examination pending receipt of a letter of recommendation from a LADAC and passing the jurisprudence examination. The motion carried.

Mr. Cagle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tate, to approve the reinstatement application of **William Buford, LADAC**. The motion carried.

Agreed Citation

The Board reviewed a letter from **Cindy Stewart Freeman, RN, LADAC**, requesting that the discipline, for not meeting the continuing education requirement, not be posted on the Board's web site. The Board denied her request.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed a letter from **Terrie McCarter, LADAC, CASAC**, requesting a waiver of her 2008/2009 continuing education requirements due to illness. Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil, to grant Ms. McCarter the waiver. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed a letter from **Temple Reece, LADAC**, requesting that the ten (10) hours of continuing education she obtained through the Johnson County Sheriff's Department and Tennessee Sheriffs' Association be approved for the reinstatement of her license along with her twenty-two (22) NADAC approved hours. Mr. Cagle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tate, to approve the hours. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed a letter from **Bob Garrett, LADAC, NCAC I, QSAP**, Vice President of Steps House Rehabilitation Servicing, requesting approval of the eight (8) Regional Counselor Training Workshops in October 2010. Mr. Cagle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tate, to approve the workshops. The motion carried.

Other Board Business

Johnnie Welch, Memphis Theological Seminary, addressed the Board to discuss their alcohol and drug abuse program. Mr. Welch stated the seminary has founded an eighteen (18) graduate semester hour program which is a NAADAC approved academic program and they are planning on offering a master's degree program. Mr. Welch stated currently sixty (60) students are enrolled in two courses. Mr. Welch asked that the Board send a letter to the president of the school, J. Earhart-Brown, acknowledging the program. Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil to send the letter. The motion carried.

Mr. Kinnaman stated that Ms. Trammel is very ill and asked the Board to recognize her work as a LADAC and Board Member.

With no other Board business to conduct, Mr. Tate made a motion, seconded by Mr. McNeil, to adjourn at 12:15 p.m. The motion carried.