

ADDICTIVE DISORDER REGULATORY AUTHORITY BOARD
MEETING

AGENDA

ADRA Office

4919 Jamestown Avenue

Suite 203

Baton Rouge, LA 70808

October 20, 2023

10:00 A.M

- I. Call to Order: Roy Bass, Chairman
- II. Roll call; set quorum: Roy Baas, Chairman
- III. Public Introductions and Representation
- IV. Approval of July 30, 2023 Minutes: Roy Baas, Chairman
- V. Treasurer's Report: Roy Baas, Chairman
 - a. July – September 2023
- VI. Public Questions or Comments
- VII. New Business
 - a. Injunction – R. Mitchell.
 - b. Approval of Applicants to be Credentialed
 - c. Felony Waiver Request: J. Smith
 - d. Degree Waiver Request: S. Sanders
 - e. Degree Waiver Request: J. Castille
 - f. Degree Waiver Request: J. Northen
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. CCS Guidelines and Exemption Form
 - b. TPN Update
- IX. Executive Director's Report:
Adjourn Meeting: Next Meeting date: Sunday, January 19, 2024 at the ADRA office

Minutes

Regular Meeting of Addictive Disorder Regulatory Authority Board

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I. Call to Order

October 20, 2023, regular meeting of the Addictive Disorder Regulatory Authority Board was called to order by Roy Baas, Chairman, at approximately 10:00am. The meeting was held pursuant to public notice, each member received notice and notice was properly posted.

II. Roll Call (Attachment 1)

Members Present:

Roy Baas, LAC, CCGC, CCS – Chairman
Paul Schoen, LAC, CCGC – Vice Chairman
Susan S. Thornton, Ed. D, LPP, LPC-S, NCC, RPT-S
Catrice Tolbert Ph. D
Adrian Perron LAC, CCS
Catherine Lemieux, Ph. D LCSW
Chris Andrews

Members Absent:

Smita Prasad, MD, MPH, MBA – Medical Director

ADRA Staff Present:

Lauren Smith, Executive Director
Renee Franklin, Assistant Director
Melody Stewart Administrative Assistant

III. Public Introductions

Marolon Mangham, Executive Director of LASACT
Joshua Smith

IV. Approval of July 30, 2023 Minutes (Attachment 2)

- a. A draft of the July 30, 2023, board meeting minutes was presented for approval. A motion was made by Susan Thornton and seconded by Adrian Perron to accept the July 30, 2023 minutes with the amendment reflecting Catrice Tolbert was not present at the July 30, 2023 board meeting. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

V. Treasurer's Report (Attachment 3)

- a. The July-September 2023 Treasurer's Report was presented by Lauren Smith, Executive Director. A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Catherine Lemieux to accept the report as given. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

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VI. *Public Questions or Comments:*

None

VII. *New Business*

a. ***Injunction Roy Mitchell:*** A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Chris Andrews for Celia Cangelosi ADRA board attorney to talk to the chief judge and send communication regarding Mr. Mitchell's status with the board. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

b. ***Approval of Applicants to be Credential:*** A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Catherine Lemieux to approve the applicants to be credentialed. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

c. ***Felony Waiver Request J. Smith:*** Mr. Smith was present to discuss his felony waiver request with the board. The board asked questions regarding the original charges and his sobriety at the time the incident occurred. Susan Thornton requested all documents associated with waivers be dated to be considered.

A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Catherine Lemieux to enter executive session for discussion.

A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Chris Andrews to exit the executive session.

A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Chris Andrews to deny the felony waiver request. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

d. ***Degree Waiver Request: Sanders:*** A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Paul Schoen to approve the degree waiver request. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

e. ***Degree Waiver Request: J. Castille:*** A motion was made by Chris Andrew and seconded by Adrian Perron to approve the degree waiver request. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

f. ***Degree Waiver Request: J. Northern:*** A Motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Paul Schoen to approve the degree waiver request. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

VIII. *Old Business*

a. ***CCS Guideline and Exemption form:*** A copy of the revised CCS guidelines and exemption form was provided to each board member for review. Lauren and Catherine will coordinate to finalize edits to both documents. Lauren has been working with Gail and Marolon at LASACT to help Identify the CCS's who have CITs that are struggling to pass the exam. We are working on a better system to keep up with the number of CITs that CCSs are supervising. The board tasked the director with emailing the CCSs to obtain a list of CITs each CCS is supervising. Include language from statute that failure to comply will result in disciplinary action.

b. ***TPN Update-*** A email was sent out to Trevor with TPN to request an update. There has been no response.

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Executive Director's Report:

The office has been very busy. The last renewal cycle we had several people exhaust their time as a CIT. We sent out a mass email to CITs reminding them of the requirements, stressing the **minimum** of one hour per week with their CCS, and referencing resources for Tap 21.

We looked at another office site that is located close to our CPA's office. The conference room is not much bigger than our conference room. Lauren would like to keep looking to see if she can find something that can better suit our needs for space and office space. Susan agreed to continue looking as well.

A motion was made by Adrian Perron and seconded by Catherine Lemieux to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved after a unanimous vote.

The next board meeting will be held Friday, January 19, 2024 at 10:00am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roy Baas, LAC, CCGC, CCS, Chairman