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Commissioner

Minutes
Maine Board of Alcohol & Drug Counselors
May 15, 2023 Board Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Rogers, Board Chair
Laurence Gross
Darlene Panzino, Vice Chair
Lisa Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Katie Dickson, Complaint Officer

STAFF PRESENT

Katie Johnson, Assistant Attorney General
Kristina Halvorsen, Board Administrator
George Morgan, Board Investigator
Cecile Sirois, Professional Licensing Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

Robert Rogers called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

COMPLAINT PRESENTATION

2023-ALC-19069

A motion was made by Lisa Williams and seconded by Laurence Gross to immediately suspend the licensee's LADC license pursuant to 5 M.R.S. § 10004(3), the practice of fraud, deceit or misrepresentation in obtaining a license from the Board, including;

- i. Falsification or misrepresentation of education or experience of an applicant (Board Rules, Chapter 8, Section 3(1)(A)(1));
- ii. Falsification or misrepresentation of a recommendation from a consultant or peer (Board Rules, Chapter 8, Section 3(1)(A)(2)); and

- iii. Intentionally withholding or misrepresenting any information requested on the application, including any information regarding criminal or disciplinary action taken by any state against an applicant (Board Rules, Chapter 8, Section 3(1)(A)(4)).

Vote: 4 in favor

A motion was made by Laurence Gross and seconded by Lisa Williams to offer a consent agreement to include a continued suspension of the LADC License until the board can hold a hearing.

Vote: 4 in favor

A motion was made by Laurence Gross and seconded by Lisa Williams to offer a consent agreement to include a revocation of the licensee's LADC license pursuant to 10 M.R.S. § 8003(5-A)(A)(1), the practice of fraud, deceit or misrepresentation in obtaining a license from the Board, including;

- i. Falsification or misrepresentation of education or experience of an applicant (Board Rules, Chapter 8, Section 3(1)(A)(1));
- ii. Falsification or misrepresentation of a recommendation from a consultant or peer (Board Rules, Chapter 8, Section 3(1)(A)(2)); and
- iii. Intentionally withholding or misrepresenting any information requested on the application, including any information regarding criminal or disciplinary action taken by any state against an applicant (Board Rules, Chapter 8, Section 3(1)(A)(4)).

Vote: 4 in favor

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Darlene Panzino and seconded by Laurence Gross to adjourn the meeting at 2:36 p.m.

Vote: 4 in favor