

**MINUTES FOR THE BOARDS OF EXAMINERS FOR ALCOHOL, DRUG AND
GAMBLING COUNSELORS**

(LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE)

MEETING DATE: Friday, February 7, 2014

MEETING TIME: 1.00 PM

MEETING LOCATION: **Ridge House, Inc.**
900 West First Street, Suite 200
Reno, Nevada 89503

MEMBER PRESENT: Jackie Wotherspoon, Barbara Hunt, MaryAnn Potter and Steve Burt

STAFF PRESENT: Agata Gawronski, Executive Director

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: No public present

Item 1: Welcome, Call to Order.

Steve Burt called the meeting to order at 1.00pm

Item 2: Public comments

No public comments.

Item 3: Proposed changes to the NAC 641 C for future Board approval

Steve Burt asked the members of the subcommittee if anyone had an input or corrections to the proposed changes, this subcommittee agreed on previously.

There were no amendments to the existing changes.

Steve Burt stated that in this case all changes proposed at the previous Board meetings (January 31, 2014) will be presented to the Board for the final approval at the next scheduled Board meeting, on March 7th.

Item 4: Proposed changes to the NRS 641 C for future Board Approval

Agata Gawronski, suggested review of the written remarks submitted to the Boards office by the member of the general public as follows:

NRS 641C. 130 Applicability. It was suggested by the member of public that the Board should not repeal it, because of the possible negative consequences; after the brief discussion all the members of the subcommittee agreed on keeping that change and bringing the item to the next Board meeting for the final approval.

NRS 641C.320 “Issuance of provisional license or certificate; period provisional license r certificate is valid; prohibition on renewal. It has been suggested that provisional is an “artifact from before the Board existed and does not protect the consumers”.

The subcommittee voted on keeping the Provisional Certification with one change: Provisional Certification will be valid for 6 months instead of one year.

NRS 641C. 500 “Adoption of regulations governing certification; scope of regulations; prohibitions; inapplicability of certain provisions of chapter”, should be repealed.

MaryAnn Potter agreed with that suggestion, Jackie Wotherspoon stated that in her Opinion the Board should either keep Detoxification Technician and adopt Peer recovery specialist as they are both considered” paraprofessions” or reject both.

MaryAnn Potter stated that as a professional licensing Board we should not continue with Detoxification Technician certification nor adapt the Peer recovery specialist .

Steve Burt stated that in light of upcoming legislative changes with the internship requirements, the Peer recovery certification will make a good fit for this Board and its requirements.

Jackie Wotherspoon stated that this should be brought up before the Board for vote. All the members of the subcommittee agreed.

Another written remark from the member of the general public was read by Agata Gawronski :

“Revise NRS 641C.900 so it no longer allows a person who hasn’t even applied to the Board for licensure or internship to provide alcohol and drug abuse counseling for up to 30 days.

After short discussion, members of subcommittee agreed on removing provision 1 and 2 in NRS 641C.900.

16. Public comments.

There were no public comments.

18.Adjurement.

Steve Burt adjourned the meeting at 3pm.