

SEXUAL OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

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Certification Sub-Committee
October 11, 2019
Idaho Department of Correction
Board Room, 3rd Floor
1299 N. Orchard, Boise, ID

Members present (subcommittee):

Dr. Michael Johnston, Chair
Jeff Betts, Vice Chair
Melissa Hultberg, Member
Paula Garay, Member

Others Present:

Nancy Volle, Program Manager
Jackie Nelson, Administrative Assistant II
Karin Magnelli, IDOC Deputy Attorney General

Guest:

Excused:

William Crawford, Member

Call to Order

Dr. Michael Johnson called the sub-committee meeting to order at 7:35 A.M.

Certification Sub-Committee:

- Jeff Betts, Vice Chair moved that the subcommittee convene in executive session at 7:36 am to: Consider records that are exempt from public disclosure [I.C. § 74-206(1)(d)] chapter 1, title 74, Idaho code. The purpose of the subcommittee executive session is to consider applications for SOMB certification and to advise the board. It was seconded by Paula Garay, Member. The vote was Dr. Michael Johnson, Chair, aye; Melissa Hultberg, Member, aye; Jeff Betts, Vice Chair, aye; and Paula Garay, Member, aye.

Jeff Betts motioned at 8:10 am to come out of the Certification Subcommittee executive session. It was seconded by Melissa Hultberg and all members present voted aye.

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Members present:

Dr. Michael Johnston, Chair
Jeff Betts, Vice Chair
Matt Thomas, Member
Paula Garay, Member
Brian Marx, Member

Moira Lynch, Member
Erwin Sonnenberg, Member
Melissa Hultberg, Member

Others Present:

Karin Magnelli, IDOC Deputy Attorney General
Nancy Volle, Program Manager
Jackie Nelson, Administrative Assistant II

Guest:

Dr. Walter Campbell, Chief Psychologist
(Prisons Division, IDOC)
Katlyn Farley, Proxy for Jean Fisher
(Ada County Prosecuting Attorney)
Cody Ellis, LPC (Sequel of Idaho)
Vance Griffin, Executive Director
(Sequel of Idaho)

Excused:

Jean Fisher, Member
Ryan Porter, Member
William Crawford, Member

Call to Order

Dr. Michael Johnson called the full-board meeting to order at 8:17 A.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Jeff Betts, Vice Chair motioned at 8:17 a.m. that the Board convene in executive session to consider records that are exempt from public disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law [I.C §74-206 (1)(d)]. The purpose of the executive session is to consider applications for SOMB certification. It was seconded by Brian Marx. The vote was: Jeffrey Betts, Vice Chair, aye; Matt Thomas, Member, aye; Brian Marx, Member, aye; Moira Lynch, Member, aye; Paula Garay, Member, aye; Dr. Michael Johnston, Chair, aye; Melissa Hultberg, Member, aye; Erwin Sonnenberg, Member, aye.

Brian Marx motioned at 8:45 a.m. to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Moira Lynch and all members present voted aye.

Board Business:

1) Motions-Certification Applications:

- ◆ **SOMB 1.** Application to advance from Provisional Level Juvenile Sexual Offender Treatment Provider to Associate Level Juvenile Sexual Offender Treatment Provider. Brian Marx motioned to approve the Associate Level Juvenile Sexual Offender Treatment Provider certification for October 2019-1. It was seconded by Erwin Sonnenberg and all remaining members present voted aye. Motion carried.
- ◆ **SOMB 2.** Renewal Application for Senior Level Adult Sexual Offender Treatment Provider. Brian Marx motioned to approve the Senior Level Adult Sexual Offender Treatment Provider certification for October 2019-2. It was seconded by Erwin Sonnenberg and all remaining members present voted aye. Motion carried.
- ◆ **SOMB 3.** Initial Application for Associate Level Psychosexual Evaluator with Conditional Waiver. Brian Marx motioned to approve the Associate Level Psychosexual Evaluator with Conditional Waiver certification for October 2019-3. It was seconded by Erwin Sonnenberg and all remaining members present voted aye. Motion carried.
- ◆ **SOMB 4.** Renewal Application for Associate Level Juvenile Psychosexual Evaluator without Conditional Waiver. Brian Marx motioned to approve the Associate Level Juvenile Psychosexual Evaluator without waiver certification for October 2019-4. It was seconded by Erwin Sonnenberg and all remaining members present voted aye. Motion carried.

2) Meeting Minutes:

- Brian Marx motioned to approve the September 13, 2019 meeting minutes. It was seconded by Matt Thomas and all remaining members present voted aye. Motion carried.

3) Computer Program discussion:

- Brian Marx motioned to approve \$5,000 to develop an upgraded computer program for assisting in SOMB documentation. This cost would include the purchase of a scanner and two licenses. It was seconded by Moira Lynch and all remaining members present voted aye. Motion carried.

4) Negotiated Rulemaking:

The floor was opened for public comments and suggestions regarding the proposed changes to SOMB rules to be presented before the Legislature in 2020. Guests Cody Ellis stated, "rulemaking looks great." Negotiated Rule making will be presented again at the November 8, 2019 SOMB meeting for public comment.

5) Budget:

- Jackie Nelson, Administrative Assistant, presented the End of Year budget for fiscal year 2019 and the current budget for Fiscal Year 2020. There was a discussion of how to best use the funds available. Top of the list was to develop future trainings. The Board requested we reach out to providers with a Survey Monkey and gather ideas on what kinds of training they envision. It was also suggested that we investigate linking

our web site to other training sites to help facilitate what's already available. The Board would like training as an agenda item for the November 2019 meeting.

6) Evaluator supervision discussion:

- The question of whether a Sr. Level Juvenile Psychosexual Evaluator could provide supervision to an Associate Level Adult Evaluator was presented to the Board. Ms. Magnelli advised the Board that the standards don't specify adult or juvenile when discussing supervisors, because they are listed in either the adult or juvenile section. If a juvenile evaluator were to supervise an adult evaluator (or vice versa), they would be practicing outside the scope of their certification. It was felt that a Juvenile Evaluator did not have the training needed to provide guidance to an Adult Evaluator. Mr. Betts advised that this leads to the bigger concern regarding the limited number of supervisors. The Board was also reminded that in order to have an out of state evaluator provide supervision to an Idaho evaluator, the out of state provider would have to be licensed in the state of Idaho. The Board recognizes the need to develop emeritus status standards and will plan on having this as an action item during the November 2019 Board meeting.

7) ATSA question/discussion:

- During a recent Board meeting, Ms. Fisher advised the Board that Maia Christopher (ATSA) offered to speak during one of our upcoming Board meetings. The Board is trying to determine whether this should be done in person or if the concerns can be addressed through email. Mr. Ellis suggested that we could investigate a forum because there could be quite a few Idaho providers who have questions regarding ATSA. We should reach out to Maia first regarding our questions and concerns and then reach out to Idaho providers to see what questions they may have.

➤ **Board Business:**

1. Develop protocol for video treatment/evaluation. Dr. Johnston advised that the quality of the technology is imperative, as we want the interaction to have a real life feel. Mr. Marx suggested that since treatment is based upon where the client is residing, there is already protocol in place for Telehealth. Ms. Magnelli advised that individual licensing boards may have further restrictions regarding this matter. It was determined that we need buy in from IDOC, P&P, POs and the PC before moving forward. Will put this on the agenda for the November meeting.
2. IDOC discussion regarding SO treatment in the institutions: Dr. Walter Campbell spoke with the Board about possible methods to facilitate improved continuity of care beyond the prisons. The Board provided Dr. Campbell a breakdown of the history of sex offender treatment in the institution. There was a lengthy discussion about how/if there could someday be a smoother transition between prison treatment programs and community treatment programs.

Adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Submitted by: Jackie Nelson, Administrative Assistant II