

# SEXUAL OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

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Certification/QA Sub-Committee  
January 13, 2023  
Idaho Department of Corrections

## **Members present (subcommittee):**

Michael Johnston, PhD., Chair  
Paula Garay, Member  
Melissa Hultberg, Member  
Gabriel Hofkins, Member

## **Others Present:**

Nancy Volle, Program Manager  
Karin Magnelli, Deputy Attorney General

## **Guest:**

## **Excused:**

Brian Marx, Vice Chair  
Jamie Lundy, AA2

## **Call to Order**

Ms. Hultberg called the sub-committee meeting to order at 8:05 A.M.

## **Certification and QA Sub-Committee:**

Ms. Hultberg moved that the subcommittee convene in executive session at 8:05 am to: Consider records that are exempt from public disclosure [I.C. § 74-206(1)(d)] chapter 1, title 74, Idaho code see I.C. § 74-106(9). The purpose of the subcommittee executive session is to consider applications for SOMB certification and to advise the board. It was seconded by Ms. Garay. The vote was Mr. Betts, Vice Chair, aye.

Ms. Hultberg motioned to come out of executive session at 9:40 am., the motion was seconded by Ms. Garay. The vote was Mr. Betts, Vice Chair, aye, Dr. Johnston (arrived at 8:18am), Chair, aye.

Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2023  
Idaho Department of Correction

**Members present:**

Michael Johnston, PhD, Chair  
Jeff Betts, Member  
Paula Garay, Member  
Moirra Lynch, Member  
Gabriel Hofkins, Member  
Melissa Hultberg, Member

Matt Thomas, Member  
John Dinger, Member

**Others Present:**

Nancy Volle, Program Manager  
Karin Magnelli, Deputy Attorney General

**Guest:**

Shelly Osborne-Zoom  
Jose Martinez-Zoom  
Brooke Dudry-Zoom  
Alana Minton-ISP  
Ilona Csik-Zoom  
Amy Campbell-ISP

**Excused**

Brian Marx, Vice Chair  
Jamie Lundy, AA2

**Call to Order**

Ms. Hultberg called the full board meeting to order at 9:51 am and the motion was seconded by Mr. Dinger and all remaining members present voted aye.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Hultberg motioned at 9:51am that the Board convene in Executive Session to consider records that are exempt from public disclosure [I.C. § 74-206(1)(d)] chapter 1, title 74, Idaho code see I.C. § 74-106(9). The purpose of the subcommittee executive session is to consider applications for SOMB certification and to advise the board. It was seconded by Ms. Lynch. The vote was: Dr. Johnston, Chair, aye; Mr. Dinger, Member, aye. Mr. Betts, Member, aye; Ms. Garay, Member aye, Mr. Thomas, Member, aye and

Ms. Hultberg motioned at 9:53 am to come out of Executive Session. It was seconded by Ms. Garay; The vote was: Dr. Johnston, Member, aye, Ms. Lynch, Member, aye; Mr. Thomas, Member, aye; Mr. Betts, Member, Aye.

## **Board Business:**

### **1.) Certification Applications: Action Item**

- ❖ Motion to approve the following certification application was made by Ms. Hultberg. Motion seconded by Mr. Dinger and all members present voted aye. **Motion Carried.**
- ❖ January 2023-2: Initial Provisional Juvenile Treatment Provider.

### **2.) Renewal Applications:**

- ❖ Ms. Volle advised the Board the following applications for renewal certification were approved:
- ❖ December 2022-2: Senior Level Adult Treatment Provider
- ❖ December 2022-3: Senior Level Juvenile Treatment Provider

### **3.) Minutes Approval for December 9, 2022, regular Board meeting minutes: Action Item**

- ❖ Motion to approve the December 9, 2022, minutes was made by Mr. Dinger. Motion seconded by Mr. Betts and all members present voted aye. **Motion Carried.**

### **4.) IATSA conference discussion (Action item)**

- ❖ Ms. Osborne presented information regarding the IATSA conference that will be taking place in March 2023. She provided the *Board with the SOMB Request for Funding Form* for \$8000.00.
- ❖ Ms. Volle asked if IATSA would be willing to comp conference cost for SOMB members. Ms. Osborne advised that she would discuss that during the next IATSA Board meeting.
- ❖ Concerns were expressed regarding the ARGON part of the conference, and the idea that the information presented may not be in line with the Boards requirements. Ms. Osborne advised they are only having a short portion of this conference going over ARGON and the rest of the training will be in May.
- ❖ Ms. Lynch motioned to approve \$8,000.00 in funds for the March 2023 IATSA conference. The motioned was seconded by Mr. Betts, and all remaining members voted aye. **Motion carried.**

### **5.) Treatment guided by assessment**

- ❖ Current treatment is guided by evaluations. The standards state a treatment plan will be developed for each client with measurable goals and objectives that are consistent with the results of a current psychosexual evaluation (PSE) or risk assessment. The question of whether a person needs a PSE or just a risk assessment is needed to be treated.

- ❖ Dr. Johnston provided a brief history of how the standards were formed. Risk assessment was geared toward keep things covered because there was no consistency at the time the Board was formed, so the standards were created to capture all language that was used.
- ❖ We embrace RNR model and that is achieved through a PSE in Idaho.
- ❖ Dr. Johnston believes and the Board agrees language in the SOMB standards should only say PSE.
- ❖ PSE may be a topic to include in the tiered registry discussion.
- ❖ DV evaluations are mandated, but not PSEs for sexual crimes.
- ❖ The topic of not enough evaluators to provide services was discussed. One of the big issues regarding this topic is the fact that judges and prosecutors require the person to go to a specific evaluator. There is also the fact that some evaluators are not being called on to conduct evaluations, even though they are highly qualified.
- ❖ The purpose of treatment is risk reduction and to do this, you need risk variables identified, meaning you need a PSE.
- ❖ When discussing clients from other states, we have no authority over evaluations that come from other states, but we do have authority over Idaho treatment.
- ❖ Topic saved for future meeting discussion due to time.

## **6.) Tiered Sexual Offender Registry Discussion**

- ❖ Ms. Volle presented a PowerPoint outlining former discussions.
- ❖ Aggravated Offenses were agreed upon.
- ❖ Assessment for females
- ❖ Major concerns regarding recommending the LSI-R based on all the research
- ❖ IDOC could use LSI-R based on risk for any crime, but registry is specific to sexual re-offense options; No assessment for females, use LSI-R as IDOC does, could create a risk tool of our own.
- ❖ Discussion regarding placing females on Tier 1 based on how they comply, they could be removed after 10 years.
- ❖ Mr. Dinger didn't like this, but the "aggravated offense" may cure this. He would prefer it to be based off the PSE.
- ❖ Ms. Magnelli looked at the CO SOMB and found a white paper (2013) regarding female SO assessments and wanting to collect data from different states, could ID partner with CO on a study? Ms. Volle will reach out to CO to see what they may need for this research.
- ❖ The topic of transgender, or non-binary individuals.
- ❖ Discussed the agencies that will be affected by a new tiered registry; ISP, IDOC, P&P, AG, Dept of Admin, Sheriff's/counties, courts, ICE, IDJC for blended cases, private providers doing assessments and treatment.
- ❖ The Board also discussed that a request for removal from the registry can be the trigger for evaluation and processing.
- ❖ Repeal and replace would be the only way to do this.

Adjourned at 12:00pm.  
Submitted by Nancy Volle, SOMB Program Manager