

**RHODE ISLAND BOARD FOR LICENSED CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY
PROFESSIONALS**

Wednesday, March 12, 2008

Meeting Minutes

9:30 A.M.

The Rhode Island Board for Licensing Chemical Dependency Professionals met at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, in Barry Hall's Conference Room 314, 14 Harrington Road, Cranston, Rhode Island.

Members Present: Steve Horovitz, Chair, Christine Mattera, L. Sandie Smith, JJ Johnson, Johanna Rylands, Cheryl Swensen, Jorge Cevallos, Elizabeth Kretchman, Melissa Morgan, Secretary

Excused: Rebecca Boss

Absent: Joanne Ash, Debra Tiliouine

Welcome and Introductions

Steve Horovitz welcomed the Board and called the meeting to order at 9:30a.m. The February 13 2008 minutes were reviewed. Christine Mattera motioned to approve the minutes. Cheryl seconded the motion. The Chairperson approved the minutes as written and submitted.

License Application Reviews

There were no applications to review.

Steve moved the Board into Executive Session at 9:45am

Post Executive Session

Old Business:

**Update Rules and Regulation Changes with the Legislature and Board
move to DOH**

At the February meeting, Sandie provided an update of the pending legislation regarding moving the RIBLCDP from MHRH to DOH. She informed the group that many of the Board's suggestions were not included in the final draft. Sandie said she would contact Helen Drew at DOH regarding an update on the status of this legislation. She will also inquire who is sponsoring the legislation in the House and Senate.

Sandie Smith spoke with Helen Drew (DOH) who informed her that the LCDP Legislature is part of the budget and is still waiting legislation approval to change the DATA seat which presently reads the DATA person needs to be both a DATA Board member and a LCDP.

Debra, who was not present was unable to update the Board with information from Rick Froncillo about revising the part in the legislature where a DATA person

Sandie will talk to Dave Spencer, Chair of the DATA Board to also change the legislature.

Board Membership

Chris spoke on Board members commitment to the LCDP Board with regard to attendance in reference to Joanne Ash low attendance to Board meeting. The Board voted pending hearing from Joanne today on being excused from today's meeting. Chris motioned to ask Joanne to resign without cause. Sandie second the motion. The Chairperson approved. Steve will send a letter and call Joanne.

DATA VACANCY

Sandie motioned to invite Jim Gillen to the next License Board meeting to find out if he was still interested in being a board member as the consumer representative. Chris second. All were in favor, the Chairperson approved.

New Business

Adjournment

Steve called the meeting adjourned at 10:55 am and thanked everyone for attending.

The next meeting of the LCDP Board is scheduled for April 9, 2008 at 9:30am, third floor conference room 314 Barry Hall Building in Cranston.

**Minutes respectfully recorded and written by Melissa L. Morgan
Secretary, Rhode Island Board for Chemical Dependency
Professionals**