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Governing Council Meeting June 23, 2016

Minutes

The ACA Governing Council meeting was called to order at 8:02 pm. President Thelma Duffey presided. Members met via conference call. Governing Council members present for all or part of the meeting were as follows:

Thelma Duffey

Catherine Roland

Robert Smith

Donna Gibson

Suzanne Degges-White

Shane Haberstroh

Gerard Lawson

Michelle Perepiczka

Michael Kocet

Stephen Giunta

Paige Dunlap

Niloufer Merchant

Judy Daniels

Simone Lambert

Sue Pressman

Melanie Drake Wallace

Diana Pals

Eli Zambrano

Thelma Daley

Richard Yep

Discussion and Decision about the Proposed Licensure Portability Model

The Task Force on Portability presented the proposed Licensure Portability Model:

THE AMERICAN COUNSELING ASSOCIATION Licensure Portability Model

Whereas the mission statement of the American Counseling Association is to enhance the quality of life in society by promoting the development of professional counselors, advancing the counseling profession, and using the profession and practice of counseling to promote respect for human dignity and diversity; and

Whereas advocating for licensure portability that allows professional counselors licensed at the independent practice level in one state to have the mobility to utilize their education and training and to serve the public by becoming licensed at the independent practice level in another state supports the mission of the American Counseling Association;

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Therefore, the American Counseling Association promulgates the following licensure portability model:

A counselor who is licensed at the independent practice level in their home state and who has no disciplinary record shall be eligible for licensure at the independent practice level in any state or U.S. jurisdiction in which they are seeking residence. The state to which the licensed counselor is moving may require a jurisprudence examination based on the rules and procedures of that state.

It was moved by R. Smith and seconded by S. Shane Haberstroh to adopt the ACA Licensure Portability Model.

Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting of the ACA Governing Council was adjourned at 8:53 pm.