

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
EDUCATION LICENSURE COMMISSION
Public Session No. 15-09
September 3, 2015
810 First Street, NE
3rd floor – Grand Hall B
Washington, DC 20002

10:30 am

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Johnetta Davis called the meeting to order at 10:49 am.

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Johnetta Davis, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Commissioner Mary E. Dilworth, Ed.D., Secretary
Commissioner Joanne D. Joyner, Ph.D.
Commissioner John M. Cross

Staff Present: Angela Lee, Executive Director
Alesia Henry, Education Compliance Specialist
Dorothy Thomas, Education Compliance Specialist
Rose Fields, Administrative Assistant
Michael McMiller, Assistant Attorney General Counsel

Guests Present: Excelsior College
Robert Waters
Dang Phommasarn
Talaekah Brooks

Washington Center for Psychoanalysis
Lauren Cooper
Roberta Sorensen

Intellect Health Institute
Patrick Nwaokwu

AYT Institute
Jennifer Gibbs
Carlos Smith

Technical Learning Centers, Inc.
Mark Toufanian

Radians College
Stephanie Jackson
Sandra Marshall
David Mohr
Gail Myers
Charlie Rose

II. Ascertainment of Quorum

Four (4) Commission members were present constituting a quorum.

III. Approval of the Agenda

The Commission voted to approve the September 3, 2015 agenda.

IV. Approval of July 2, 2015 meeting minutes

The Commission voted to approve minutes from the July 2, 2015 meeting.

V. Report of the Executive Director

Medtech Institute submitted to the Commission a provisional agent's application requesting approval of representative Ashley Marie Clampitt to enroll and recruit students of the District of Columbia.

At the July 2, 2015 public meeting the Commission decided to table the discussion until further clarification regarding the nursing program's accreditation status with the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for the next public meeting.

Medtech Institute responded that they are unable to meet the requested accreditation criteria. The Commission voted to deny the provisional agent application request.

VI. Commission Approved Applications

A. One year approval list

The Commission voted to approve the following applications for a period of one (1) year, not to exceed September 30, 2016.

Institutions

*Bennett Career Institute, Inc.

Catholic Charities (ND)

*General Assembly (ND)

New York University (D)

*Transemantics, Inc. d/b/a International Language Institute (ND)

*United Planning Organization (ND)

License Type

Amendment

Renewal

Amendment

Renewal

Amendment (New Location)

Amendment (New Location)

B. Two year approval list

The Commission approved the following applications for a period of two (2) years, not to exceed September 30, 2017.

Institutions

George Mason University (D)

License Type

Renewal

Key: (D) – Degree Institution (ND) – Non-Degree Institution (P) – Provisional (R) – Renewal (A) – Amendment * The licensure period for institutions, only amending for new programs or new location their license will remain in effect.

VII. Provisional Application

A. Excelsior College

Excelsior College submitted to the Commission an application for a provisional license to offer Associate, Bachelor, Master Degrees and Certificate Programs in the fields of Business, Technology, Liberal Arts, Nursing, and Health Sciences.

The Commission voted to approve the provisional application of Excelsior College for a period of one (1) year not to exceed September 30, 2016.

VIII. Provisional Agent Application

A. Ohio Technical College (Agent James Larrison)

Ohio Technical College submitted to the Commission a provisional agent's license application requesting approval of representative James Larrison to enroll and recruit students of the District of Columbia.

The Commission voted to approve the agent application of Ohio Technical College for Representative James Larrison for a period of one (1) year not to exceed September 30, 2016.

IX. Renewals/Amendment Applications

A. Washington Center for Psychoanalysis, Inc.

The Washington Center for Psychoanalysis submitted to the Commission a license renewal application to continue offering certificate programs in modern perspectives in psychoanalysis and psychoanalytic studies.

Three Commissioners voted to approve, Commissioner Mary Dilworth abstained from voting on the application. Washington Center for Psychoanalysis, Inc.'s license renewal application was approved for a period of two (2) years not to exceed September 30, 2017.

B. Intellect Health Institute

Intellect Health Institute submitted to the Commission applications for license renewal and license amendment for a new location to continue offering Home Health Aide (HHA) training.

The Commission voted to approve the applications for license renewal and license amendment for a new location for a period of one (1) year not to exceed September 30, 2016.

C. AYT Institute

AYT submitted to the Commission a license renewal application to continue offering Life Skills and Basic Commuter Literacy training and two (2) automotive training programs for twelve (12) and six (6) months.

The Commission voted to approve the license renewal application of AYT for a period of six (6) months not to exceed March 31, 2016 with the following conditions: 1) submit a needs assessment to address the automotive training in the District of Columbia; 2) submit a plan for recruitment; and 3) submit retention and job placement plans.

D. Technical Learning Center, Inc. (Name Change)

Technical Learning Center, Inc. submitted to the Commission a license amendment application to change the name of the institution by dropping its trade name, DuPont Career College and maintain its original name, Technical Learning Center.

The Commission voted to approve the license amendment application to change the name of the institution to its original name. The current license expiration date will remain in effect and not exceed January 31, 2016.

E. Radians College (Ownership Change)

Radians College submitted to the Commission a license amendment application to change ownership. The proposed new owner is Alliant International University. The current license expiration date will remain in effect and not exceed January 31, 2016.

The Commission voted to approve the license amendment application to change ownership to Alliant International University.

X. Provisional Conditional Exemption Requests

A. Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) submitted to the Commission a request for a conditional exemption to offer internship experiences in Washington, DC for IUP students in undergraduate programs.

The Commission voted to approve the request of Indiana University of Pennsylvania to receive a conditional exemption under the provisions of DC Official Code §38-1310 for “education provided as a local offering of a foreign institution”, to offer internships in Washington, DC for a period of one (1) year not to exceed September 30, 2016.

B. Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania

Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania submitted to the Commission a request for a conditional exemption to offer a Physician Assistant internship program that will lead to a Master of Health Science degree.

The Commission voted to approve the request of Lock Haven university of Pennsylvania to receive a conditional exemption under the provisions of DC Official Code §38-1310 for “Education provided as a local offering of a foreign institution”, to offer internships in Washington, DC for a period of one (1) year not to exceed September 30, 2016.

C. University of Wisconsin-Stout

The University of Wisconsin-Stout submitted to the Commission a request for a conditional exemption to offer semester-long internship experiences in Washington, DC for the University of Wisconsin-Stout students’ undergraduate programs.

The Commission voted to approve the request of the University of Wisconsin-Stout to receive a conditional exemption under the provisions of DC Official Code §38-1310 for “Education provided as a local offering of a foreign institution”, to offer internships in Washington, DC for a period of one (1) year not to exceed September 30, 2016.

XI. Correspondence and Communications

A. Strayer University

Strayer University sent two notifications, one dated July 17, 2015 announcing Brian Jones as the permanent president of the university. They also announced the phasing out programs and concentrations effective fall 2015 as follows: undergraduate certificate in business; associate in arts and economics; Bachelor of Science in economics. Concentrations in business administration to include international business, banking, legal studies, and management information systems. Additionally, the institution is launching a pilot program they are calling Foundations of Success class for incoming students.

August 24, 2015 notification is an update to the RN to BSN completion program. The institution has hired a permanent dean of the school of nursing. The institution is making program enhancements to align with the national nursing accreditation. They are adding clinical learning experiences; restricting credit allocation; modifying course titles. Course descriptions and learning outcomes. Mr. Locklin, a representative of Strayer, communicated that the RN to BSN program is not currently operating in the District, and the CCNE application will be submitted at the end of this month with a scheduled visit fall 2016.

No action is required at this time by the Commission.

B. A.T. Still University

A.T. Still University sent notification of Jeffrey Morgan being named the acting dean for the Health Sciences School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona after the departure of Dr. Jay Kalousek.

No action is required at this time by the Commission.

C. JC Inc. Affidavit

JC Inc. has turned over its student records to the Commission. After learning that the records may have been tampered with, the Commission worked with the Office of the Attorney General to seize the records and we are now in possession of the student records.

No action is required at this time by the Commission.

D. Allied Health and Technology Institute

Allied Health and Technology Institute submitted to the Commission a request to reschedule their appearance until the next public meeting due to a personal reason.

No action is required at this time by the Commission.

XII. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)

No public comments.

XIII. Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Commissioner Mary E. Dilworth, Ed.D.
Secretary