

MINUTES
S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

Board Meeting –September 15, 2014
Kingtree Bldg., Room 105
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Anker, Marjorie Hammock, Lynn Melton, Carolyn Morris, Scott Stephens

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cassandra Brunson

OTHERS PRESENT: Patricia Glenn, Administrator; Shelia Jones, Administrative Assistant; Todd Vaughn, Chief Investigator OIE; Phillip Flohr, Investigator OIE; Adrienne Rivera, Investigator OIE; Mary League, Advice Counsel; John Carroll, OGC Litigating Attorney, Erin Baldwin, OGC Litigating Attorney

Public Notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Board office and provided any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with section 30-4-80 of the Freedom of Information Act. A quorum of members was present and noted.

CALL TO ORDER: Lynn Melton - President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2014 Board Meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT-: The Board reviewed and discussed the Financial Report.

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT: The Board reviewed the OGC report of number of pending actions.

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT REPORT: The Board reviewed the OIE report of pending complaints.

REVIEW OF COMPLAINT/DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS:

Complaint #2013-31- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.

Complaint #2014-2- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.

Complaint #2014-3- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.

Complaint #2014-11- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.

Complaint # 2013-35- Cease & Desist

Complaint # 2014-1- Cease & Desist

Complaint #2014-15 Violation of practice act, sent to OGC for Formal Complaint.

Complaint #2013-24 Violation of practice act, sent to OGC for Formal Complaint- Cease & Desist

Complaint # 2014-13- Dismiss with Letter of Concern

On a motion by Mr. Stephens and seconded by Ms. Morris, the board voted to accept the recommendations of the IRC.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: The board reviewed a list of applicants licensed from May 5, 2014 until Sept. 15, 2014. See attached list. This was for informational purposes.

CONTINUING EDUCATION SPONSORSHIPS FOR APPROVAL: The Board reviewed and approved the following continuing education providers:

Sponsors Name: SARAH ELIZABETH GAINNEY
Title of Training: “Introduction to Motivational Interviewing”
Dates of Training: August 2014 – Charleston, SC
Presenter: Sarah Elizabeth Gainey, MSW, LISW-CP
Hours: **Six (6) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: CHARLESTON HOMECARE
Title of Training: “The Aging Population, Changing Needs and the Role of Professionals”
Dates of Training: 2014 – Charleston, SC
Presenter: Sharon Becker, LISW, ACSW, MSW
Hours: **One (1) Social Work Hour**

Sponsors Name: CAROL CONWAY, LISW-CP & LINDY WILLIAMSON, MSW
Title of Training: “Trauma to Addiction”
Dates of Training: June 20 – 21, 2014 – Goose Creek, SC
Presenter: Carol Conway, LISW-CP; Lindy Williamson, MSW
Hours: **Thirteen and Half (13.50) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: GREENVILLE FRIENDS OF JUNG
Title of Training: “Archetypal Dreams as Spiritual Journey”
Dates of Training: October 17, 2014 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Jenny Yates, MA Religion, Ph.D. Religion & Philosophy
Hours: **Two (2) Non-Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: HOPSICE CARE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
Title of Training: “Making the Road Less Lonely”
Dates of Training: October 24, 2014 – Boiling Springs, SC
Presenter: Ivy Yoder, LMSW, ACHP-SW; Hallie Reynolds, LMSW; Diane Carlson, LMSW, ACHP-SW
Hours: **Five (5) Social Work Hour**

Sponsors Name: SC ASSOCIATION OF RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES
Title of Training: “Honoring Everyday Superheroes of Senior Care”
Dates of Training: September 29 – October 1, 2014 – Isle of Palms, SC
Presenter: Cathy Fuquay RPh, CGP; Marie Connolly, RN; Dale R. Hamrick, MD; Karen Wingo; Ted Boehm, Jr.; Wendy C Nash, PharmD; Scott Middleton; Scott Ogburn
Hours: **Fifteen and Half (15.50) Non-Social Work Hour**

Sponsors Name: ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION
Title of Training: “13TH ANNUAL Education Conference: Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow”
Dates of Training: September 12, , 2014 – North Charleston, SC
Presenter: Joann Nesbitt,LBSW; Kerri Moore, LMSW, CMC
Hours: **One and a Quater (1.25) Social Work Hours and Four and Half (4.50) Non-Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: MARGARET A WADSWORTH, ESQ.
Title of Training: “Veterans Benefits for Long Term Care”
Dates of Training: TBD – Local Hospitals, SC
Presenter: Margaret A. Wadsworth, Esq., Wadsworth Law Firm
Hours: **One (1) Non-Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: MARGARET A WADSWORTH, ESQ.
Title of Training: “Why Patients Should Have a Will”
Dates of Training: TBD – Local Hospitals, SC
Presenter: Margaret A. Wadsworth, Esq., Wadsworth Law Firm
Hours: One (1) Non-Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: MARGARET A WADSWORTH, ESQ.
Title of Training: “Planning for Incapacity”
Dates of Training: TBD – Local Hospitals, SC
Presenter: Margaret A. Wadsworth, Esq., Wadsworth Law Firm
Hours: One (1) Non-Social Work Hours

APPEARING:

Debra A. Williams, LISW-CP applicant

Ms. Williams appeared before the Board to discuss her “yes” answer to question # 7 “Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty or pled nolo contendere to a criminal offense, other than a minor traffic violation?”

After discussion with Ms. Williams and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to approve Ms. Williams’s application for licensure.

Collete Y. Norton, LISW-CP applicant

Ms. Norton appeared before the Board to discuss her “yes” answer to question #11 “Have you ever been involuntarily terminated from an y social work or related employment?”

After discussion with Ms. Norton and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to approve Ms. Norton’s application for licensure.

Coby B. Bryan, LMSW applicant

Mr. Bryan appeared before the Board to discuss his “yes” answer to question # 7 “Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty or pled nolo contendere to a criminal offense, other than a minor traffic violation?”, question #8 & question #9.

After discussion with Mr. Bryan and review of the professional references and information he presented, the Board voted to approve Mr. Bryan’s application for licensure.

Ronald Jackson, LMSW applicant

Mr. Jacksonn appeared before the Board to discuss his “yes” answer to question # 7 “Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty or pled nolo contendere to a criminal offense, other than a minor traffic violation?”, question #8 & question #9.

After discussion with Mr. Jackson and review of the professional references and information he presented, the Board voted to approve Mr. Jackson’s application for licensure.

HEARINGS:

Agreement to Voluntarily Surrender Social Work License-OIE#2013-27

The board accepted the VS Agreement from Anne Mary Roseman, LISW-CP. See attached

Memorandum of Agreement OIE # 2013-9- presented to the Board by Litigating Attorney Lauren Kearney. The respondent was not represented by counsel. Marjorie Hammock recused herself from discussion and vote.

Executive Session: The Board voted to go into executive session for legal advice with a motion from Mr. Stephens , seconded by Ms. Morris .

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The Board voted to come out of executive session with a motion from Mr. Stephens, seconded by Ms. Anker. No votes or decisions were rendered in executive session

With a motion from Ms. Morris, seconded by Mr. Stephens the Board voted to accept the Memorandum of Agreement and issue a Public Reprimand to Judith Crocker Billingsley, LMSW Sanctions include ethics coursework, etc. See attached

Memorandum of Agreement OIE # 2013-16- presented to the Board by Litigating Attorney Lauren Kearney. The respondent was not represented by counsel.

Executive Session: The Board voted to go into executive session for legal advice with a motion from Mr. Stephens , seconded by Ms. Morris.

The Board voted to come out of executive session with a motion from Mr. Stephens, seconded by Ms. Anker. No votes or decisions were rendered in executive session

With a motion from Ms. Morris, seconded by Ms. Hammock the Board voted to accept the Memorandum of Agreement and issue a Public Reprimand with sanctions to Kenneth Simmons. Upon the reinstatement of his license, he is to continue in probationary status for 2 years. All voted in favor. Jane Anker opposed. See attached

Consent Agreement OIE # 2013-5- presented to the Board by Litigating Attorney Lauren Kearney. The respondent was not represented by counsel. The Board voted to accept the CA signed by Laura Scrofani Toppeta, LISW-CP for a public reprimand and **sanctions**. See attached.

Consent Agreement OIE # 2013-26- presented to the Board by Litigating Attorney Lauren Kearney. The respondent was not represented by counsel. The Board voted to accept the CA signed by Catherine Alfred Stone, LISW-CP for a public reprimand and **sanctions**. See attached.

Final Order Hearing- OIE# 2012-17
Presented to the Board by LLR Litigating Attorneys John Carroll, and Erin Baldwin The respondent was not represented by counsel.

Executive Session: The Board voted to go into executive session for legal advice with a motion from Mr. Stephens , seconded by Ms. Morris.

The Board voted to come out of executive session with a motion from Mr. Stephens, seconded by Ms. Anker. No votes or decisions were rendered in executive session

With a motion from Ms. Morris, seconded by Ms. Hammock, the Board voted.....

NEXT MEETING: January 26, 2015 in Room 105.

AJOURNMENT:
The September 15, 2014 meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.
The September 23, 2014 hearing was adjourned at 2:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia F. Glenn
Administrator