

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

Board Meeting – May 18, 2009
Kingstree Bldg., Room 202-02
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Anker, Marjorie Hammock, Rick Hepfer and Lynn Melton.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cassandra Brunson

OTHERS PRESENT: Patricia Glenn, Administrator; Sheliah Jones, Administrative Assistant; David Love, Investigator OIE; Cheryl McNair, Investigator OIE; Larry Atkins, OIE; Sharon Dantzer, Staff Attorney, Christa Bell, Staff 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.

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The following officers were elected to serve for the year 2009-2010:
Lynn Melton-President
Jane Anker-Vice President
Sallie Campbell-Consulting Social Worker to the IRC

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2008 Board Meeting.

REVIEW OF COMPLAINT/DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS:

Complaint #1- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.
Complaint #2- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.
Complaint #3- Dismiss, no violation of practice act
Complaint #4- Dismiss, no violation of practice act
Complaint #5- Dismiss, no violation of practice act
Complaint #6- Dismiss, no violation of practice act
Complaint #7- Dismiss, no violation of practice act
Complaint #8- Dismiss, no violation of practice act
Complaint #9- Dismiss, no violation of practice act
Complaint #10- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act.
Complaint #11- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act.
Complaint #12- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act
Complaint #13- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act
Complaint #14- Dismiss with "Letter of Caution"

APPEARING:

Kendra Martin-Wright, BSW:

Ms. Martin-Wright appeared before the Board to discuss her "yes" answer to question #11 "Have you ever been involuntarily terminated from any social work or related employment?"

After discussion with Ms. Martin-Wright and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Martin-Wright to continue with the application process and approve her to sit for the bachelor's level examination for the LBSW license.

Jesse H. Davis, MSW:

Mr. Davis appeared before the Board to discuss his “yes” answer to questions # 8 & #9 “Are you currently or have you in the last 5 years been addicted to or used in excess, any drug or chemical substance including alcohol?” and “Are you currently being treated or have you in the last 5 years been treated for drug or alcohol abuse or participated in a rehabilitation program?”

After discussion with Mr. Davis and review of the professional references and information he presented, the Board voted to allow Mr. Davis to continue with the application process and issue the LMSW license.

Felicia W. James, MSW:

Ms. James 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. James and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. James to continue with the application process and approve her to sit for the masters’ level examination for the LMSW license.

APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE:

The Board voted to approve all of the applicants eligible for licensure from October 1, 2008 through May 1, 2009 (see attached).

CONTINUING EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP APPLICATIONS:

The Board voted to approve the following Continuing Education Sponsors:

Sponsors Name: THOMAS MCAFEE FUNERAL HOMES
Title of Training: “Responding to Loss and Trauma in the Workplace”
Dates of Training: September 17, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Theresa A. Rando, Ph.D., BCETS, BCBT
Hours: **Three (3) Non-Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: ACADEMY OF DIALYSIS SOCIAL WORKERS
Title of Training: “Sexuality and Pregnancy Among the Dialysis Population”
Dates of Training: October 10, 2008 – Charleston, SC
Presenter: Steven A. Iacono, LMSW
Hours: **Two (2) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: LORMAN BUSINESS CENTER, INC.
Title of Training: “Medical Records Law”
Dates of Training: October 16, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Howard W. Paschal, Jr.; William J. Watkins, Jr.; Mary H. Watters; Stephen P. Williams
Clock Hours: **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: SHEILA D. WOOD, ACSW, LISW-CP
Title of Training: “Relaxation Through Guided Imagery”
Dates of Training: July 10, 2008 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Sheila D. Wood, ACSW, LISW-CP
Clock Hours: **One (1) Social Work Hour**

Sponsors Name: LORMAN BUSINESS CENTER, INC.
Title of Training: “Understanding Students with Aggressive Behaviors”
Dates of Training: January 13, 2009 – Charleston, SC
Presenter: Laura L. Mohr, Ed.D., NCSP, LPES

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- Clock Hours: **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **BODY AND SOUL THERAPY, LLC.**
Title of Training: "Successful Treatment of Anxiety Disorders Without Medication"
Dates of Training: October 3, 10, 17 & November 7, 2008 – Charleston & Goose Creek, SC
Presenter: Barbara S. Fox, LISW-CP
Clock Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **SUMMIT PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION**
Title of Training: "Assessment and Therapeutic Interventions for Special Needs Children"
Dates of Training: November 10 - 11, 2008 – Charleston & Columbia, SC
Presenter: Sandra B. Dunbar, DPA, OTR/L
Clock Hours: **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **NEXUS CENTER**
Title of Training: "Dreams: God's Forgotten Language"
Dates of Training: November 21 - 22, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Robert L. Haden, Jr., BA, M. Div, STM, DAPA
Clock Hours: **Seven (7) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **SUSAN SHANKLE**
Title of Training: "Social Work Ethics"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – Mt. Pleasant, SC
Presenter: Susan Shankle, LISW-CP
Hours: **Twenty (20) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **SUSAN SHANKLE**
Title of Training: "Cultural Competence in Mental Health Settings"
Dates of Training: Mt. Pleasant, SC
Presenter: Susan Shankle, LISW-CP
Hours: **Six (6) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **HOMEWOOD RESIDENCE**
Title of Training: "Why & When to Use Hospice"
Dates of Training: October 10, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Timothy S. Hayes, BSW; Jeffery Grant, MSW
Hours: **Three and Quarter (3.25) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "Social Work Month: Treatment Modalities"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – SC
Presenter: Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW/MPA
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "When Enough is Enough: Extending Life or Prolonging Death"
Dates of Training: November 14, 2008 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Keith A. Guest, MD, CMD; Mary Beth Lamey, LMSW; Margaret Eller, LMSW
Hours: **Two and Half (2.5) Social Work Hours and Three (3) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "Suicide Prevention Techniques"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – SC
Presenter: David Kellin, LISW-CP

Hours:	Three (3) Social Work Hours
Sponsors Name:	HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY
Title of Training:	“Waves of Change: The Baby Boomer’s Impact on Healthcare”
Dates of Training:	To Be Determined – SC
Presenter:	Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW/MPA
Hours:	Three (3) Social Work Hours
Sponsors Name:	HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY
Title of Training:	“Play Therapy: It’s Not Just Kid Stuff Anymore”
Dates of Training:	To Be Determined – SC
Presenter:	Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW/MPA
Hours:	Three (3) Social Work Hours
Sponsors Name:	WINSTON’S WISH FOUNDATION
Title of Training:	“Problem Behavior Workshop”
Dates of Training:	December 8, 2008 – Columbia, SC
Presenter:	Dr. Vincent J. Carbone, Ed.D., BCBA
Hours:	Six and Half (6.5) Non-Social Work Hours

AGREEMENT OF VOLUNTARILY AND PERMANENTLY SURRENDER LICENSE:

2008-10- Ms. Bell, LLR Attorney presented an Order of “Agreement of Voluntarily and Permanently Surrender License” signed by Social Work Licensee Priscilla Anne Van Buskirk. A Complaint had been filed against Ms. Van Buskirk involving an Order of Revocation issued by the NC Social Work Board and in lieu of disciplinary proceedings she wished to permanently surrender her license to practice social work in SC. The Board voted to accept the signed Surrender of License Order.

AGREEMENT OF VOLUNTARILY AND PERMANENTLY SURRENDER LICENSE:

2007-25- Ms. Bell, LLR Attorney presented an Order of “Agreement of Voluntarily and Permanently Surrender License” signed by Social Work Licensee Steven Charles Caston. A Complaint had been filed against Mr. Caston involving his field placement through Winthrop University Social Work Masters Program and in lieu of disciplinary proceedings he wished to permanently surrender his license to practice social work in SC. The Board voted to accept the signed Surrender of License Order.

CONSENT AGREEMENT:

2008-11 & 2008-12- Ms. Bell, LLR Attorney presented a Consent Agreement signed by Bethany Brown, LMSW acknowledging breach of confidentiality and accessing medical records at Greenville Memorial Hospital of several persons for purposes related to her domestic problems. Ms. Brown appeared before the Board and was represented by Robert Hood, Esquire. The Board voted to accept the signed Consent Agreement.

HEARING:

2007-12- Ms. Bell, LLR Attorney summarized Case# 2007-12 and presented a Memorandum of Agreement signed by the respondent Nannette Moorer, LISW-CP admitting to sexual misconduct with a patient. Respondent was represented by Joseph McCulloch, Esquire. The Board found the respondent in violation of Chapter 63 and 110 of the SC Code of Laws. An Order was issued by the Board for 3 years probation and 3 years of clinical supervision with additional sanctions. See attached Order.

FINAL ORDER HEARING:

2006-14- Ms. Bell, LLR Attorney summarized Case #2006-14. The Board reviewed the Hearing Officer’s Report and found the respondent, Kassandre Quidette Gasque-Carter, LISW-CP to be in violation of SC Code of Laws, Chapter 63 and Chapter 110 and pleaded guilty to Conspiracy (along with a former patient) to Commit Burglary, a misdemeanor and felony in the states of Maryland and Virginia where she was sentenced to five years incarceration, etc. An Order was issued by the Board stating the respondent could not apply to the Board for the reinstatement of her social work license for 5 years. See attached Order.

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AJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned and the hearings were concluded at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia F. Glenn
Administrator