

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

Monday, January 27, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Synergy Business Park in the Kingstree Building

110 Centerview Drive, Room 105

Columbia SC 29210

MINUTES

Board Members Present

Lynn Melton, Chairperson

Jane Anker, Vice-Chair

Catherine Buchanan, Member

Jacqueline Lowe, Member

Harold Patrick, Jr., Member

D. Scott Stephens, Public Member

Absent Members

None

Staff Present

Mary League, Advice Counsel

Marlo Thomas-Koger, Board Administrator

Shaun Strother, Administrative Assistant

Public Notice of this meeting was properly posted at the office of the South Carolina Board of Examiners for the Licensure of Social Work, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive in Columbia, SC, was posted on the Board website and provided to any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, as amended, relating to the Freedom of Information Act. A quorum is noted as present. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

***NOTE:** These Minutes are a record of the motions and official actions taken by the Board and a brief summary of the meeting.*

Call to Order

Ms. Melton, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 105 located in the Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building at 110 Centerview Drive, in Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: In open session, Mr. Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved by Ms. Buchanan. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members: No absentees.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion: In open session, Ms. Buchanan made a motion to approve the September 16, 2019 meeting minutes – no corrections noted. The motion was seconded and approved by Ms. Lowe. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Angela Baldwin, Office of Investigations (OIE) presented one formal complaint.

Formal Complaint Case:

2019-12

Motion: In open session, Ms. Buchanan made a motion to approve the one formal complaint. The motion was seconded and approved by Ms. Lowe. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Statistical Report as information.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report (ODC): Tina Brown, Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) presented the ODC report to the Board. The Board reviewed the report as information.

Finance Report: The Board reviewed the finance report as information.

Administrator's Remarks: Ms. Koger, Board Administrator addressed the Board.

Application Hearings

Karen Anfield: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Anfield should be granted a Licensed Baccalaureate Social Work (LBSW) license in South Carolina. Ms. Anfield made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Lowe made a motion to deny Ms. Anfield's request for licensure. The motion was seconded and approved by Ms. Anker. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Elizabeth Morris: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Morris should be granted a Licensed Master Social Work (LMSW) license in South Carolina. Ms. Morris made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. Emlynn Laurette Rosson Fogel and George Fogel were also present.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Buchanan made a motion to have a closed hearing. Mr. Patrick seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: Mr. Patrick made a motion to go into executive session. Ms. Anker seconded the motion.

Motion: Mr. Stephens made a motion to come out of executive session. Ms. Lowe seconded the motion.

Motion: Ms. Buchanan made a motion to allow Ms. Morris to sit for the LMSW Exam. The motion was seconded by Mr. Patrick. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: Ms. Buchanan made a motion to come out of closed session. Ms. Anker seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Disciplinary Hearing

Memorandum of Agreement/Stipulation of Facts:

Case # 2018-6: The respondent made a personal appearance before the Board *pro se*. Tina Brown, Office of Disciplinary Counsel presented the case to the Board.

Motion: Ms. Anker motioned to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel. Mr. Patrick seconded the motion.

Motion: Mr. Stephens made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Anker.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Buchanan made a motion to dismiss the first two allegations and found the third was proven and recommended a public reprimand and ethics course. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Patrick. All were in favor and the motion passed.

New Business

2020 New Mileage Rate: Ms. Koger, Board Administrator addressed the Board regarding the 2020 New Mileage Rate.

2019-2020 Travel Budget: Ms. Koger, Board Administrator addressed the Board regarding the 2019-2020 Travel Budget.

Travel Meetings: The Board discussed the travel meetings.

- Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) 2020 Spring Education Conference, April 23-25, 2020, in Chicago, Illinois
- Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) 2020 Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly, November 19-21, 2020, in Scottsdale, Arizona

Review List of New Licensees: The Board reviewed the list of new licensees as information.

Discussion and Vote on Military Spouse Temporary and Permanent Licensure: The Board discussed the military temporary and permanent licensure.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Buchanan made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded and approved by Ms. Anker. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Discussion and Vote on Application Review Committee: The Board discussed the Application Review Committee.

Motion: Ms. Buchanan made a motion to establish an application review committee. Mr. Patrick and Ms. Lowe seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Lowe made a motion to make Ms. Buchanan and Mr. Patrick members of the committee. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Stephens. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Discussion and Possible Revisions to the South Carolina Independent Social Worker Clinical Practice (LISW-CP) Supervision Contract: The Board discussed the Supervision Contract.

Ethics Requirements for the South Carolina Independent Social Worker Clinical Practice (LISW-CP) Licensure: The Board discussed the Ethics Requirements.

Motion: No motion made.

Election and Vote on 2020 Board Officers (Chair and Vice Chair):

Motion: In open session, Mr. Stephens made a motion for Ms. Melton to remain Chairman and Ms. Anker to remain Vice Chair. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Patrick. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Continuing Education Sponsorships for Approval: The Board reviewed and discussed the continuing education sponsors.

Motion: No motion made.

Discussion Topics

- Update on the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) 2019 Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly, November 7-9, 2019, in Orlando, Florida:** The board discussed the annual meeting
- Number of South Carolina Independent Social Worker Clinical Practice (LISW-CP) Licensees versus Licensed Master Social Workers (LMSW) in Other States:** The board had a discussion.
- Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Chief Executive Officer Retirement:** The board discussed the ASWB CEO retirement.
- Review and Discussion of Regulations:** The board discussed the regulations.
- Ethics Commission:** The Board discussed the Ethics Commission and the deadline to file being March 30, 2020.

2020 Board Meeting Dates: The Board reviewed the 2020 Board Meeting Dates as information.

Adjournment:

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Buchanan made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 2:04 p.m. The motion was

seconded and approved by Mr. Stephens. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Marlo Koger

Marlo Koger, Administrator
S.C. Board of Social Work Examiners

June 24, 2020

Date