

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

Board Meeting – April 16, 2012
Kingtree Bldg., Room 105
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cassandra Brunson (excused), Marjorie Hammock (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Patricia Glenn, Administrator; Shelia Jones, Administrative Assistant; Mark Sanders, Investigator OIE; Cheryl McNair, Investigator OIE; Jerry Merritt, OIE Investigator, Sara McCartha, Advice Counsel; Melina Mann, General Counsel.

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 September 19, 2011 Board Meeting and the November 28, 2011 Conference Call Board meeting.

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST FORMS: Ms. Glenn reminded Board members that the Ethics Forms were to be submitted to the Ethics Commission by April 16, 2012.

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 #2011-13- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.
Complaint #2011-15- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.
Complaint #2011-5- Dismiss, with Letter of Caution
Complaint #2011-11- Dismiss with Letter of Caution.
Complaint #2012-3- Dismiss with Letter of Caution
Complaint #2011-12- Violation of practice act, sent to OGC for Formal Complaint.
Complaint #2011-14- Violation of practice act, sent to OGC for Formal Complaint.
Complaint #2011-17- Violation of practice act, sent to OGC for Formal Complaint.

ASWB MEETING- ASWB Spring Education Meeting will take place April 26-29, 2012 in Lexington, KY. The Board approved for Jane Anker, Vice President and Scott Stephens, Board member to attend this meeting.

APPEARING:

Lyudmila A. Galoyan, LMSW applicant:

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

Vyron M. Kinson, LBSW applicant:

Mr. Kinson appeared before the Board to discuss his "yes" answer to question # 11 "Have you ever been involuntarily terminated from any social work or related employment?"

After discussion with Mr. Kinson and review of the professional references and information he presented, the Board voted to allow Mr. Kinson to continue with the application process and approve him to sit for the Bachelor's examination for the LBSW license. Mr. Kinson appeared with his interpreter for the deaf, Mr. Roger Williams.

Jefferey R. Cameron, LISW-CP applicant:

Mr. Cameron 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?"

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

Elizabeth A. Gowdy, LISW-CP applicant:

Ms. Gowdy 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. Gowdy and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Gowdy to continue with the application process and issue her the LISW-CP license.

Tiffney D. Teasdel, LMSW applicant:

Ms. Teasdel 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. Teasdel and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Teasdel to continue with the application process and approve her to sit for the ASWB Masters examination for the LMSW license.

Debra L. Tidwell, LBSW applicant:

Ms. Tidwell 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?" and question # 10 "Do you currently have any disease or condition, including any disease or condition generally regarded as chronic by the medical community, i.e. mental or emotional disabling condition; alcohol or other substance abuse; and/or physical disease or condition, that may presently interfere with your ability to competently and safely perform the essential functions involved in practice as a social worker?"

After discussion with Ms. Tidwell and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to delay their decision regarding approval of her application until the Board received records to substantiate her disability including psychiatric and psychological inpatient and out-patient records. See attached Order

APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE:

The Board reviewed a list of all of the applicants licensed from September 14, 2011 until April 2, 2012 (see attached). This report was for informational purposes.

CONTINUING EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP APPLICATIONS:

The Board voted to approve the following Continuing Education Sponsors:

- Sponsors Name:** HEARTSTRINGS HOSPICE
Title of Training: "Hospice Care and Associated Grief"
Dates of Training: September 29, 2011 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Elaine Metzger, MSW, CT
Hours: **Two (2) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** WINSTON'S WISH FOUNDATION
Title of Training: "The Learning Profile of Asperger's & High Functioning Autism"
Dates of Training: October 17, 2011 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Tony Attwood, PhD
Hours: **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** WINSTON'S WISH FOUNDATION
Title of Training: "A Behavioral Approach to Language Assessment & Intervention for Children with Autism"
Dates of Training: November 10-11, 2011 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Mark L. Sundberg, PhD, BCBA-D
Hours: **Eleven (11) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** WINSTON'S WISH FOUNDATION
Title of Training: "Family/professional Collaborations in Applied Behavior Analysis"
Dates of Training: January 11, 2012 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Gina Green, PhD, BCBA-D
Hours: **Five and a Quarter (5.25) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** WINSTON'S WISH FOUNDATION
Title of Training: "The Riddle of Autism...Solved?"
Dates of Training: March 5-6, 2012 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Martha S. Burns, PhD
Hours: **Twelve (12) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** GREENHAVEN PRESERVE
Title of Training: "Natural Burial: Healing Families & the Earth"
Dates of Training: February 9, 2012 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Tara McCoy and Julie Watts, LMSW
Hours: **One (1) Social Work Hour and One (1) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** DR. MACIE PERRY SMITH
Title of Training: "Dementia: Positive Interactions Initiate Positive Responses"
Dates of Training: Fall 2011, Winter 2012, Spring 2012 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Macie Perry Smith, EdD, LBSW, CSWCM
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** DR. MACIE PERRY SMITH
Title of Training: "Dementia Dialogues"
Dates of Training: Fall 2011, Winter 2012, Spring 2012 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Macie Perry Smith, EdD, LBSW, CSWCM
Hours: **Seven and Half (7.5) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** RACHEL CAROLINE PARKER-GAO, LISW-CP
Title of Training: "What You May Not Know About ADHD"
Dates of Training: Throughout 2012 – Online Course
Presenter: Rachel Caroline Parker-Gao, LISW-CP
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**

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Sponsors Name: AGAPE COMMUNITY HOSPICE
Title of Training: "Death & Dying "
Dates of Training: March 28, 2012 – West Columbia, SC
Presenter: Jacqueline A. Kendall, LMSW
Hours: **Two (2) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: AGAPE COMMUNITY HOSPICE
Title of Training: "Family Dynamics – What Role Does it Play? "
Dates of Training: March 28, 2012 – West Columbia, SC
Presenter: Louise Stepp, LMSW
Hours: **Two (2) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: AGAPE COMMUNITY HOSPICE
Title of Training: "How to Ask the Hard Questions "
Dates of Training: March 28, 2012 – West Columbia, SC
Presenter: Scott Johnson, LBSW
Hours: **One (1) Social Work Hour**

Sponsors Name: AGAPE COMMUNITY HOSPICE
Title of Training: "Hospice Social Work 101 "
Dates of Training: March 28, 2012 – West Columbia, SC
Presenter: Jacqueline A. Kendall, LMSW
Hours: **One (1) Social Work Hour**

CONSENT AGREEMENTS: Presented to the Board by Melina Mann, LLR General Counsel:

OIE# 2010-22- - The Board voted to accept a Consent Agreement(Public) signed and agreed to by the respondent Susan Dulin Rush, LMSW for a public reprimand and additional sanctions. See attached Consent Agreement Order.

OIE#2011-6- The Board voted to accept a Consent Agreement (Public) signed and agreed to by the respondent Karen Knight, LBSW for a public reprimand and additional sanctions. See attached Consent Agreement Order.

NEXT MEETING: Board members asked Ms. Glenn to invite the USC Dean of Social Work to the next regularly scheduled meeting on Sept. 17, 2012 for a discussion.

AJOURNMENT:
The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia F. Glenn
Administrator