

MINUTES
S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
Board Meeting – September 19, 2011
Kingstree Bldg., Room 105
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Patricia Glenn, Administrator; Sheliah Jones, Administrative Assistant; David Love, Investigator OIE; Cheryl McNair, Investigator OIE; James Saxon, 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.

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 16, 2011 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 #2011-4- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.

Complaint #2010-13- Dismiss with Letter of Caution. (Jane Anker recused herself from discussion and vote)

Complaint #2010-22- Violation of practice act, sent to OGC for Formal Complaint.

Complaint #2011-6- Violation of practice act, sent to OGC for Formal Complaint.

ASWB MEETING- ASWB Annual Meeting of Delegates will take place Nov. 3-5, 2011 in Oklahoma City, OK. Board members discussed the up-coming meeting. The Board voted and approved for Lynn Melton, President, Jane Anker, Vice President and Scott Stephens, Board member to attend this meeting.

APPEARING:

Sherry N. Burnside, LBSW applicant:

Ms. Burnside 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. Burnside 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 bachelors' level examination for the LBSW license.

Emily E. Booth, LMSW applicant:

Ms. Booth 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. Booth and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Booth to continue with the application process and approve her to sit for the Masters examination for the LMSW license provided she submit to the Board satisfactory court documentation which supports her testimony before the Board. Ms. Melton will review the documentation.

Shalena B. Williams, LMSW applicant:

Ms. Williams appeared before the Board to discuss her "yes" answer to questions # 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 allow Ms. Williams to continue with the application process and approve her to sit for the master's level examination for the LMSW license.

Paul M. Vines, LMSW applicant:

Mr. Vines 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. Vines and review of the professional references and information he presented, the Board voted to allow Mr. Vines to continue with the application process and issue him the LMSW license. Vote was 3 in favor; two opposed.

APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE:

The Board voted to approve all of the applicants eligible for licensure from May 16, 2011 through September 13, 2011 (see attached).

CONTINUING EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP APPLICATIONS:

The Board voted to approve the following Continuing Education Sponsors:

Sponsors Name: HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY
Title of Training: "The Use of the Myers-Briggs Personality Assessment in the Hospice Field"
Dates of Training: August, 2011 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Michael Crouse, MSW, LISW-CP
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY
Title of Training: "Assisting Caregivers Coping with Depression"
Dates of Training: November, 2011 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Tabitha Smith, LMSW
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY
Title of Training: "Senior Issues"
Dates of Training: Summer/ Fall 2011 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY
Title of Training: "Spirituality and End of Life Care"
Dates of Training: November, 2011 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Anthony Woodard, Dir. Of Spiritual Care; Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW
Hours: **Two (2) Social Work Hours and
Three (3) Non-Social Work Hours**

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Sponsors Name: NHC HEALTH CARE – SC REGIONAL OFFICE
Title of Training: “Dementia Dialogues”
Dates of Training: October 12-14, 2011 – Myrtle Beach, SC
Presenter: Jan Merling, MA; Laura F. Doby, LMSW
Hours: Seven and Half (7.5) Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: CHRISTIAN COUNSELING & EDUCATION FOUNDATION
Title of Training: “Psychiatric Disorders: A Compassionate Look at Complex Problems”
Dates of Training: October 20-23, 2011 – Louisville, KY
Presenter: Numerous Presenters
Hours: Thirteen (13) Non-Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: DEBORAH BENNETT-YORK, LISW-CP
Title of Training: “Gender Specific Outreach Program “
Dates of Training: September 23, 2011 – TBA
Presenter: Susan Alford, Criminology, BS Sociology; Deborah York, LISW-CP, BCD; Angela Flowers, LMSW; David Michael, LPC
Hours: Three and Half (3.5) Social Work Hours and Two (2) Non-Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: MACIE PERRY SMITH, LBSW
Title of Training: “Technology and the Human Services Worker”
Dates of Training: Fall 2011, Winter 2012, Spring, 2012 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Macie Perry Smith, Ed.D., LBSW, MA in Rehabilitation Counseling
Hours: Two (2) Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: RICHLAND / LEXINGTON DSN BOARD
Title of Training: “Dementia Dialogues”
Dates of Training: Fall 2011, Winter 2012, Spring 2012 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Macie Perry Smith, Ed.D., LBSW, MA in Rehabilitation Counseling
Hours: Seven and Half (7.5) Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: CAROLINA PSYCHOTHERAPY ASSOCIATES
Title of Training: “An Introduction to Holistic Psychotherapy”
Dates of Training: TBD
Presenter: Darcy Luadzers, MSW, PHD
Hours: One and Half (1.5) Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: CAROLINA PSYCHOTHERAPY ASSOCIATES
Title of Training: “Holistic Psychotherapy”
Dates of Training: TBD
Presenter: Darcy Luadzers, MSW, PHD
Hours: Five and Half (5.5) Social Work Hours

Sponsors Name: SCARCH
Title of Training: “Celebrating All The Brightest Stars of Assisted Living”
Dates of Training: September 26-28, 2011 – Isle of Palms, SC
Presenter: Scott Middleton, CEO of Agape Senior; Richard m. Lowe, Jr., Rd LD; Heather Hess; Martha Fowler; etc.
Hours: Fifteen (15) Non-Social Work Hours

CONSENT AGREEMENTS: Presented to the Board by Melina Mann, LLR General Counsel:
OIE # 2010-11 & 2010-19 – The Board voted to accept a Consent Agreement (Public) signed and agreed to by respondent Tracey Reyes, LISW-CP for a public reprimand and additional sanctions. See attached Consent Agreement Order.

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OIE# 2010-15- The Board voted **not** to accept a Consent Agreement(Private) but voted to approve a Consent Agreement (Public) with the same sanctions. Attorney Melina Mann will contact the respondent to see if she will agree to the (Public) Order.

OIE#2010-21- The Board voted to accept a Consent Agreement(Public) signed and agreed to by the respondent Noelle E. McKenzie, LMSW for a public reprimand and additional sanctions. See attached Consent Agreement Order.

AJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia F. Glenn
Administrator