

The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners
Minutes of the Board
May 25, 2017

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on May 25, 2017.

Sharrie Cranford, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

A quorum of members was present including:

District I Representative, Sharrie Cranford (Chair)

District III Representative, Valeri White

District V Representative, Michael Smith

District VI Representative, Marilyn Colson

District VII Representative, LaShea Cobb-England

Brenda Holden, Outgoing Executive Director

Ellen Leonard, Board Legal Counsel, was present. Brenda Holden, outgoing Executive Director, and Laura Hughes, Executive Director, were also present. Sydney Smith was present a student guest of the Board.

Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by a show of hands. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State and posted to the Secretary of State's website.

Approval of Minutes:

Copies of the minutes from the April 13, 2017 Board Meeting were reviewed. Corrections to the minutes were noted. Valeri White made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections. Marilyn Colson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Sharrie Cranford welcomed Laura Hughes as the new hired Executive Director for the Board. Brenda Holden was thanked for her years of service. Mrs. Holden is retiring.

Old Business:

1. Laura Hughes stated there are five (5) open complaints. One complaint has an agreement in place. Three of those complaints need hearings set. One complaint is awaiting a response from the licensee.
2. Michael Smith made a motion to approve new licenses since the last Board Meeting. Valeri White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Regarding the need for an approval of the agreement for Crystal Nicole Harris, the Board held discussion. Marilyn Colson made a motion to accept the agreement with an amendment that the additional training hours be required as classroom hours. Michael Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
4. In the matter of Christina Borroughs Norris, the Board held discussion. Michael Smith made a motion to deny the renewal of the license. LaShea Cobb-England seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. There have been no Board member speaking engagements since the prior meeting.
2. There was discussion regarding ASWB's Practice Mobility Plan. Several members of the Board sent comments to ASWB in response to the e-mail ASWB sent to Board members.
3. The Board introduced discussion of HB61. The bill is dead for this legislative session as the session has ended.
4. The supervision hours for Jamie L. Ellis were reviewed. Valeri White made a motion to accept the hours. Marilyn Colson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
5. The supervision hours for Jermain Walls were reviewed. Michael Smith made a motion to accept the hours. Valeri White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Laura Hughes stated Nettie Henderson has not responded to the information request of a CE audit from December 2016. The Board held discussion. Valeri White made a motion to deny renewal of the license. LaShea Cobb-England seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Requests:

1. Andrea Denise Meyer requested clarification on whether she needed to have additional supervision due to a job change. The Board discussed and concluded no further supervision is required due to the job change.
2. Alisha Stanton requested the Board's input on whether social workers should be allowed to administer Narcan in emergency situations. The Board concluded this to be outside the scope of social work practice.
3. Deirdre Daniels requested information regarding the ethics of including an interpreter in group sessions for a client. The Board concluded that the steps presented by Ms. Daniels were in ethical compliance.
4. Vicky Kirkman requested an extension to qualify for the LICSW. The Board conducted discussion and LaShea Cobb-England moved to deny the request. The motion was seconded by Marilyn Colson. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Nicoya Williams requested an extension on completing ethics hours. The Board held discussion and Michael Smith moved to deny the request. LaShea Cobb-England seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Tunisia London requested reciprocity for qualifying for the LICSW. After discussion, Valeri White moved to accept the supervision received and allow London to sit for the exam. Marilyn Colson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Cecilia Bryant did not obtain enough ethics CE's to renew license and is past the deadline. After discussion, Valeri White moved to deny renewal of license and offer inactive status as Bryant is not practicing in Alabama. LaShea Cobb-England seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Sharrie Cranston called for a break at 10:25 a.m. Sherrie Cranston called the meeting back to order at 10:40 a.m.

PIP Applications:

1. Laura Michelle Anderson: Approved Clinical Social Work
2. Dalila M. Bass: Approved Clinical Social Work, Social Casework; Denied Social Work Administration
3. Allison Carter: Approved Social Casework; Denied Clinical Social Work
4. Amber Rose Dallman: Approved Clinical Social Work
5. Luther Easlin Durham: Approved Clinical Social Work
6. NaTasha LaShun Dysart: Approved Social Casework, Clinical Social Work; Denied Social Work Administration
7. Tomeka Shontrell Hale: Approved Clinical Social Work and Social Casework; Denied Community Organization, Social Work Research, Social Work Administration
8. Maggie Hill Klyce: Denied Social Casework
9. Rex Beach Perkins, III: Approved Clinical Social Work
10. Amy Daniel Pribyl: Approved Social Casework, Clinical Social Work; Denied Community Organization
11. Page Bryan Rubin: Approved Social Casework, Clinical Social Work; Denied Social Work Administration
12. Latonia Michele Sims: Approved Clinical Social Work
13. Eva R. Thau: Approved Social Casework, Clinical Social Work
14. Darissa Lynne Williams: Approved Clinical Social Work
15. Ashley Brooks Yeager: Approved Social Casework; Denied Clinical Social Work
16. Victoria Lynn Frazier: Approved Social Casework

The date of the next Board Meeting was set for July 20, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

Michael Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. LaShea Cobb-England seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Smith



Sharrie Cranford, Board Chair