

The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
February 16, 2021

A meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on February 10, 2021 via WebEx. Board Chair, Dr. Octavio Ramirez, called the meeting to order at 9:35 am.

There was a quorum of members present verified by roll call including:

District I representative Angela Dean
District II representative Kai Mumpfield
District III representative Nicole Delee
District V representative Dr. Octavio Ramirez
District VI representative Marilyn Colson
District VII representative Dr. Bob McKinney

Ellen Leonard, Board Legal Counsel, was present. Executive Director Rachel Dickinson was also present for the meeting.

Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by a roll call. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State.

Approval of Minutes:

Copies of the minutes from December 9th, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Dr. McKinney made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Mumpfield seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Board Business:

- a. Executive Director Rachel Dickinson updated the Board on status of complaints. There are currently two (2) pending complaints. Ellen Leonard explained the complaint process to the new members.
- b. Executive Director Rachel Dickinson advised the Board that there are 15 new LBSWs, 64 new LMSWs, and 51 new LICSWs. Ms. Mumpfield made a motion to accept approval of new licenses issued since the last Board meeting. Dr. McKinney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Board Business:

- a. Executive Director Rachel Dickinson reported to the Board on Board Finance status. No concerns were noted. No issues identified requiring further discussion.

- b. Guidelines – Ms. Mumpfield did not receive the guidelines and believed the Board had discussions about seeing what other states were doing as well. Dr. Ramirez did ask for more time for the members to review before approving to send to schools. Nicole also did not receive the guidelines. They were moved to the next meeting as were the updated supervisions forms. Ms. Mumpfield requested it to be resent via email.

Other Requests:

- a. Speaker Request – Mrs. Dickinson noted we did have a speaker request come in through the website. Dr. McKinney asked was the expectation that the Director take that request. Mrs. Dickinson said that she passes to Board members first to see if any are available, if not, at that time she would be happy to fill the request. The request was for NASW-AL Legislative Day. Ms. Leonard suggested that Mrs. Dickinson respond that she attends because of previous legislative experience. Mrs. Dickinson said she would do that and see if the group would send questions prior to the meeting so the Board could see the responses before attending.

Ms. DeLee had a question about the process and if there was a PowerPoint available for scenarios such as these. Mrs. Dickinson responded that there was a PowerPoint that had been used in the past. Dr. Ramirez asked that the presentation that would be used at the next gathering be sent for review. Ms. Mumpfield did confirm that Mrs. Dickinson will be attending the presentation for NASW-AL.

PIP Applications:

The Board discussed the supervision of one applicant that was submitted and agreed that what she submitted met the requirements. Dr. Ramirez asked if we should vote on each request separately or vote on them as a group. Dr. McKinney suggested that we ask if anyone has other questions if not, we vote on the entire group. Dr. Ramirez asked if anyone had further questions. No one had further comments. Dr. McKinney made a motion to accept all PIP requests for social casework be approved. Marilyn Colson seconded the motion. They passed unanimously.

- a. Kristen Gregory
- b. Joi Marsh
- c. Youilite Matthews
- d. Jeanetta Thomas

Dr. Ramirez asked if there were other items not on the agenda that we needed to discuss. No one had anything further. Dr. Ramirez asked if we schedule the next meeting in April. The next Board meeting will be held via WebEx and in person on April 6, 2021 at 9:30am. Dr. McKinney then asked if everyone would introduce themselves.

Kai Mumpfield made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marilyn Colson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with the meeting adjourned at 10:06 am.

Board Chair

Board Secretary

Dr. Octavio Ramirez

Nicole DeLee