

**The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on September 11, 2018, at Troy University. Board Chair, Sharrie Cranford, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including:

District I representative, Sharrie Cranford (Chair)
District II representative, Jennifer Venable-Humphrey (Vice Chair)
District III representative, Valeri White
District V representative, Michael Smith

Also present were Bill Garrett, Board Legal Counsel, and Rachel Dickinson, Executive Director.

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 on the Secretary of State website.

Approval of Minutes

Copies of the minutes from the August 3, 2018, meeting were reviewed. Michael Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Valeri White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Board Business

Rachel Dickinson, Executive Director, updated the Board on the status of complaints. There are currently four (4) open complaints. Two (2) are under review and two (2) need settlement agreements.

Valeri White made a motion to accept approval of new licenses issued since the last Board meeting. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Board Business

- a. There were no reports from any Board members regarding invitations to speak to the public.
- b. Rachel Dickinson provided updates on improvements to the Board website. ASWB's information regarding the path to licensure has been added. The Board will also seek success stories from licensees to add to the website.
- c. Rachel Dickinson updated the Board on the current financial report. The Board's finances are in good standing at present.
- d. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey raised the need to approve delegates for the ASWB Delegate Meeting in Texas. Michael Smith moved to approve Rachel Dickinson to attend

along with two (2) Board members. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- e. Michael Smith made the Board aware of a potential ethical issue with a current licensee. Rachel Dickinson will follow up on the report of criminal charges.
- f. The Board held a question and answer time with faculty and students from the Troy University Social Work program.

Other Requests

- a. Tysie Baker's request for reconsideration of supervision was discussed. Michael Smith made the motion to deny the request due to the lack of total hours required. Valeri White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Gregga Gidley's request for review of her LMSW application was discussed. Sharrie Cranford motioned to deny the request. The request did not receive a second. After further discussion, Jennifer Venable-Humphrey moved that the Board ask Gidley to appear before the Board to discuss the charges against her and provide disposition of the charges. Valeri White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. Robin Phillips request for reinstatement of revoked licensure was discussed. Michael Smith motioned to deny the request as it has been less than two (2) years since revocation. Motion made supported by Code 850-x-10-17 and Law 34-0-5, 41-22-12. Jennifer Venable Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- d. Joy Rhodes-Watkins request for 2.5 hours of CE to be accepted was discussed. Sharrie Cranford moved to accept the hours. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PIP Applications

- a. Laura O. Gale-Approved for Social Casework; Denied Clinical Social Work
- b. Quachetta Jones-Approved for Social Casework and Clinical Social Work
- c. Miles D. Hudson-Approved for Social Casework and Clinical Social Work
- d. Bethany F. Pottratz-Approved for Clinical Social Work
- e. Washaundra A. McNeil-Approved for Social Casework and Clinical Social Work
- f. David M. Powell-Approved for Social Casework and Clinical Social Work; Denied for Community Organization, Social Work Research, Social Work Administration

The date for the next Board meeting was set for November 13, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. in Montgomery.

Michael Smith moved to adjourn at 11:17 a.m. Valerie White seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Smith, PhD, LICSW-PIP, MBA



Sharrie Cranford

Board Chair



Michael Smith