

**The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 17, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on January 17, 2014, at 100 North Union Street, Suite 736 in Montgomery, Alabama with the Board Chair and Secretary present.

Board Chair, James Ware, called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including:  
District VII representative James Ware - Board Chair  
District I representative Michael Daley - Vice-Chair  
District VI representative Mandy Andrews- Board Secretary  
District II representative Jennifer Venable-Humphrey  
District III representative Leisa Askew  
District V representative Esophia Clayborn

Ellen Leonard, Attorney for the Board, and Executive Director Brenda Holden were present for the meeting.

The Board welcomed visitor, Allison Vinson.

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:**

A copy of the minutes from the November 15, 2013 Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. Michael Daley made a motion to approve the minutes with two corrections. Leisa Askew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

A copy of the minutes from the November 22, 2013 Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. Michael Daley made a motion to approve the minutes with two corrections. Leisa Askew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Old Board Business:**

- a. Brenda Holden updated the Board on the status of complaints. No complaints pending. Ellen Leonard provided an update to the Board regarding Sharon Jones' license revocation and request for reinstatement. Michael Daley made a motion to suspend action on the request pending receipt of information on any changed circumstances

- that would justify reinstatement. Leisa Askew seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Michael Daley, Leisa Askew, Jennifer Venable-Humphrey, and Esophia Clayborn. Opposed: none. Abstain: Mandy Andrews.
- b. The Board reviewed and discussed the Settlement Agreement for Ms. Caroline Vickers. At 9:53 a.m., Leisa Askew made a motion for the Board to enter Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual for ten (10) minutes. Michael Daley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Michael Daley, Leisa Askew, Jennifer Venable-Humphrey, Esophia Clayborn, and Mandy Andrews. Opposed: none. At 10:00, Leisa Askew made a motion to rise from Executive Session. Michael Daley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Michael Daley, Leisa Askew, Jennifer Venable-Humphrey, Esophia Clayborn, and Mandy Andrews.

Leisa Askew made a motion to address Other Requests Item 'f.' next. Michael Daley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Other Requests Item 'f.' Allison E. Vinson addressed the Board regarding her request for reciprocity of her LCSW. Mandy Andrews made a motion to approve Ms. Vinson's licensure supervision to allow reciprocity of her LCSW. Michael Daley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Mandy Andrews, Michael Daley, Leisa Askew, Jennifer Venable-Humphrey, and Esophia Clayborn. Opposed: none. Abstain: James Ware.

- c. The Board reviewed Terry Beasley's request to be granted a license. Leisa Askew made a motion to grant Ms. Beasley's license contingent on receipt of a new application and fees for processing. Michael Daley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Esophia Clayborn, Michael Daley, Leisa Askew, and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey. Opposed: none. Abstain: James Ware and Mandy Andrews.
- d. The Board reviewed the Hearing Officer's opinion regarding Gerald Lavender. Mandy Andrews made a motion to accept the Hearing Officer's recommendation. Leisa Askew seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Mandy Andrews, Leisa Askew, James Ware, and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey. Opposed: none. Abstain: Esophia Clayborn and Michael Daley.

**New Board Business:**

- a. Brenda Holden will serve on a panel on February 19 at Social Work Advocacy Day. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey will attend New Board Member Training on March 7-9 in Washington D.C.
- b. Michael Daley made a motion to approve the list of new social work licensees. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

- c. The Board heard a presentation from GL Solutions regarding database software.

**PIP Applications:**

- a. Andrea Staffo Burns-  
Approved: Clinical Social Work  
Denied: n/a
- b. Nancy Rebecca Frye-  
Approved: Clinical Social Work  
Denied: n/a
- c. Leslie Susan Henderson -  
Approved: none  
Denied: Clinical Social Work
- d. Ashata Kai Mumpfield -  
Approved: Social Casework  
Denied: Clinical Social Work and Social Work Administration
- e. Deborah A. Nunnelly -  
Approved: none  
Denied: Clinical Social Work
- f. Melissa D. Alexander  
Approved: none  
Denied: Clinical Social Work
- g. Wanda K. Brady-  
Approved: none  
Denied: Clinical Social Work
- h. Robert E. McKinney, Jr. -  
Approved: Clinical Social Work and Social Work Research  
Denied: n/a
- i. Thelma J. Rowden -  
Approved: Clinical Social Work  
Denied: Social Work Administration
- j. Sarah Robertson Pendleton -  
Approved: Social Case Work and Clinical Social Work  
Denied: n/a
- k. Lauren W. Strickland -  
Approved: Social Case Work and Clinical Social Work  
Denied: Social Work Administration and Community Organization

**Other Requests:**

- a. The Board reviewed a request from Mary Ann Tyler for licensure reinstatement. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey made a motion to deny the request. Michael Daley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Esophia Clayborn, Leisa Askew,

- and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey. Opposed: Michael Daley. Abstain: none.
- b. The Board reviewed a request from Michelle Cole for licensure reinstatement. Michael Daley made a motion to deny the request. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
  - c. The Board reviewed Valencia Green's application to sit for the LGSW exam. Esophia Clayborn made a motion to allow Ms. Green to sit for the exam. Michael Daley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
  - d. The Board reviewed a request from Tanya O'Daniel for LCSW reciprocity. Michael Daley made a motion to grant reciprocity for Ms. O'Daniel. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
  - e. The Board reviewed a request from Brittani Woods for LGSW reciprocity. Esophia Clayborn made a motion to grant reciprocity for Ms. Woods. Michael Daley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
  - f. This item was moved to another part of the meeting. See page 2 for details.
  - g. The Board reviewed a request from Lynn Vudovich regarding using CE earned the same month her license was issued. Esophia Clayborn made a motion to approve CE earned in November and deny CE earned in October. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
  - h. A request from Sallie Watkins requesting CE approval for "Teaching that Promotes Learning" was reviewed, discussed, and denied.
  - i. The Board reviewed a request from Kristie DeVaney Alexander for an extension to renew her license. Michael Daley made a motion to deny the request. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Michael Daley, Esophia Clayborn, Leisa Askew, and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey. Opposed: none. Abstain: Mandy Andrews.
  - j. The Board reviewed, discussed, and denied a request from Christopher Barnett to reconsider approval of his licensure renewal.
  - k. The Board reviewed a request from Ida C. Mitchie for reactivation of her license. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey made a motion to deny reinstatement. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Esophia Clayborn, Leisa Askew, Mandy Andrews, and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey. Opposed: Michael Daley. Abstain: none.
  - l. The Board reviewed a request from Barbara Lyrene to reinstate her PIP. Michael Daley made a motion to deny the request for reinstatement without a new application. Leisa Askew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

- m. The Board reviewed a request from Clarence Pete Couch for reinstatement of his LCSW and PIP. Michael Daley made a motion to deny the request for reinstatement. Mandy Andrews seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- n. The Board reviewed a request from William Day to sit for the LGSW exam. Leisa Askew made a motion to allow him to sit for the LGSW exam. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously
- o. The Board reviewed a request from Melinda Steele for a CE waiver. Michael Daley made a motion for a one-time waiver of ½ hour. Leisa Askew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Leisa Askew made the following motion: If a licensee is short CE of one (1) hour or less, the Executive Director has authority to bring the issue to the Chair for approval of a CE waiver. Michael Daley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Michael Daley, Leisa Askew, Esophia Clayborn, and Jennifer Venable-Humphrey. Opposed: Mandy Andrews. Abstain: none.

The Board addressed a question from Alicia Black-Williams regarding Diagnostic Impression. Executive Director Holden will send Ms. Black-Williams an Administrative Code reference.

Mandy Andrews left the meeting at 1:30 p.m. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey recorded minutes for the rest of the meeting. Michael Daley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:02 p.m. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

A special called Board meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. to discuss changes to the Administrative Code. The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

Board Chair

Board Secretary

James Ware

Mandy Andrews