The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners Board Meeting Minutes March 14, 2014

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on March 14, 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 9:40 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 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.

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 January 17, 2014 Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. Michael Daley made a motion to approve the minutes. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Old Board Business:

- a. Brenda Holden updated the Board on the status of complaints. There were two (2) open complaints.
- b. The Board reviewed the list of new licensees. Michael Daley made a motion to approve the roster of new licensees. Leisa Askew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- c. The Board discussed Susan Henderson and Deborah Nunnally who both self-reported practicing without the PIP. They both sent letters stating they will cease and desist independent practice and reapply for the PIP. Michael Daley made a motion to issues a letters of reprimand to Susan Henderson and Deborah Nunnally for practicing independently without proper certification. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

New Board Business:

- a. Several members of the Board and the Executive Director attended the Alabama Conference of Social Work. Jennifer Venable-Humphrey presented at a conference and attended New Board Member Training. Leisa Askew presented at a class at Auburn University.
- b. The Board discussed Elizabeth Kilgore Lawson's licensure application. Mandy Andrews made a motion to request additional documentation to verify the statements made in her application. Upon receipt of the information, the Executive Director can approve the application. Michael Daley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- c. The Board discussed the change to the Administrative Code regarding the definition of "face-to-face". This issue was tabled at the previous meeting. Mandy Andrews made a motion to remove "face-to-face" language in Sections 850-X-3-.02 and 850-X-2-.03 of the Administrative Code. Michael Daley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

PIP Applications:

a. Ansley Hanson Beverly-

Approved: Social Casework

Denied: Clinical Social work and Social Work Administration

b. Kathleen Courtney Bright-

Approved: None

Denied: Social Casework and Clinical Social Work

c. Susan Henderson -Approved: Clinical Denied: None

d. Stephanie O. Kenney -

Approved: Social Casework Denied: Clinical Social Work

e. Barbara Ann Lyrene -

Approved: None

Denied: Clinical Social Work f. Jennifer Leslie McGahee -

Approved: Social Casework and Clinical Social Work

Denied: None

g. Alicia Doggett McGee-

Approved: Social Casework, Clinical Social Work and Social Work

Administration Denied: None

h. Deborah Nunnally -

Approved: Clinical Social Work

Denied: None

i. Tracy Denise Pressley -

Approved: Clinical Social Work Denied: Social Work Administration

j. Michele W. Rivard -

Approved: Social Case Work, Clinical Social Work, Community

Organization, and Social Work Administration

Denied: None k. Ellen R. Wallace -

Approved: Social Case Work and Social Work Administration

Denied: None

l. Eric L. Graves Approved: None

Denied: Clinical Social Work and Social Work Research

m. Carrie M. Wells -

Approved: Clinical Social Work

Denied: None n. Tina Stevenson -

Approved: Social Work Administration

Denied: Clinical Social Work and Social Work Research

o. Misty McCants DeRamus -

Approved: Clinical Social Work and Social Casework

Denied: None

p. Marion Amason Kellough

Approved: Clinical Social Work

Denied: None

Other Requests:

- a. The Board reviewed the request from Joi C. Marsh regarding credit or refund of fees paid for the exam. Michael Daley made a motion that, due to administrative error, Ms. Marsh will receive credit for her past payment and will be allowed to submit a new application with no additional fee. Esophia Clayborn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- b. The Board reviewed a request from Crisis Services of North Alabama, Inc. via Krista Watson requesting CE Provider Status be retroactively reinstated from the expiration date of the previous approval. Esophia Clayborn made a motion that Ms. Watson provide the Board with a list of trainings offered during the lapse in CE provider approval. Michael Daley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- c. The Board reviewed, discussed, and denied Allan Kaufman's request that the Board consider a retired status with no CE requirements and reduced fees.
- d. The Board discussed the request from Cynthia Farr requesting an extension for earning the required LBSW supervision. Leisa Askew made a motion to extend Ms. Farr's window for supervision for three (3)

- additional months to complete four (4) hours of supervision by June 15, 2014. Voting in favor of the motion: Michael Daley, Esophia Clayborn, Leisa Askew. Opposed: None. Abstain: James Ware, Mandy Andrews.
- e. The Board reviewed and discussed the requests for licensure reinstatement from Kimberly Eagan, Bobby Malone, Laura Sylvest, and James Ray. These individuals will be informed they will need to retest.

The Board heard concerns from Ms. Eva Goodwin requesting licensure approval. Michael Daley made a motion to hold Ms. Goodwin's application until further documentation to support the request was received. Upon receipt, the Executive Director can approve the request. Voting in favor of the motion: James Ware, Leisa Askew, Michael Daley. Opposed: Mandy Andrews. Abstain: Esophia Clayborn.

The Board recessed at 10:40 a.m. for a routine break. The Board was called back into session at 10:48 a.m.

Esophia Clayborn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Michael Daley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

Board Chair Board Secretary

James Ware Mandy Andrews