The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners Board Meeting Minutes September 10, 2010

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on September 10, 2010, at 100 North Union Street, Suite 736 in Montgomery, Alabama with chairman and secretary present. Board chairman, Teresa Young, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. There was a guorum of members present including: District V member Teresa Young - Board Chair District I member Sharon Argiro - Board Vice Chair District III member Leisa Askew- Board Secretary District IV member Paula Johnson District II member Janet Rawls District VII member James Ware District VI member Mandy Andrews Executive Director Brenda Holden was also present. 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 July 16, 2010 Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Paula Johnson as they stand. James Ware seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Old Board Business:

a. Ms. Holden reported that since the last Board meeting there are two additional complaints and 3 open cases. In one case, more information has been requested. Ms. Holden received an email requesting the hearing today be postponed and the other open case is on the agenda for agreement to be signed. One complaint was closed administratively due a determination that no violation of Administrative Code was found.

b. The Board reviewed and approved the list of new social work licensees.

c. The Board reviewed and discussed the disciplinary agreement between Ms. Teresa Sarratt and the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners. Paula Johnson made a motion to accept the agreement. Janet Rawls seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Leisa Askew, Janet Rawls, Teresa Young, Sharon Argiro, Paula Johnson, and Mandy Andrews. James Ware abstained from vote. d. The Board reviewed Ms. Trudy A. Terry's application for the bachelor's exam. The Board is requesting in writing additional information before decision can be made. Mandy Andrews made a motion that Ms. Brenda Holden notify Ms. Terry if additional information is provided that she can sit for the exam. James Ware seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Leisa Askew, Paula Johnson, Janet Rawls, James Ware and Mandy Andrews. Teresa Young and Sharon Argiro opposed.

Let the minutes reflect that Ms. Ellen Leonard joined the Board meeting at 9:40 a.m.

e. 10:30 a. m. Hearing for Disciplinary Case postponed until further notice.

f. Dr. Karen Starks from the University of Alabama and NASW joined the Board meeting to discuss changes in the Alabama statutes that would allow LCSW's make diagnoses.

Let the minutes reflect that James Ware dismissed himself from the Board meeting at 11:07 a.m.

New Board Business:

- a. No one from the Board has spoken at a conference or program since the last meeting.
- b. Ms. Renita M. Davis request to take LGSW was reviewed and discussed by the Board. Sharon Argiro made a motion for Ms. Davis provide additional information. Paula Johnson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Leisa Askew, James Ware, Teresa Young, Sharon Argiro, Paula Johnson, and Mandy Andrews. Janet Rawls abstained from vote.

PIP Applications:

- a. Toni D. Lassiter was approved for Social Casework and denied Clinical Social Work and Community Organization.
- b. Ashonda L. Reese was approved for Social Casework and denied for Clinical Social Work, Community Organization, and Social Work Administration.
- c. David Stevens was approved for Social Casework, Clinical Social Work, and Social Work Administration.
- d. Emily J. Watson was approved for Clinical Social Work.
- e. Vernon Eugene Moore was approved for Social Casework, Clinical Social Work and Social Work Administration.

- f. Mitzi G. Butler was approved for Social Casework and Social Work Administration, denied Community Organization.
- g. James Stanley Long was approved for Social Casework and Social Work Administration.

Other Request:

- a. The Board reviewed Ms. Melissa Myers Weatherford request. The Board approved her request as long as she doesn't identify herself as a social worker or conduct therapy sessions in her volunteer position.
- b. The Board reviewed Krista L. Dyess, LBSW request. She does not need to repeat supervision.
- c. The Board reviewed Cassandra Hinton, LBSW request. She does not need to repeat supervision.
- d. The Board reviewed Evone J. Kilpatrick, LBSW request. She does not need to repeat supervision.
- e. The Board reviewed Hospice of West Alabama it was determined that Ms. Holden should send Hospice of West Alabama an excerpt from the Administrative Code where it states that Social Workers can take doctors verbal orders pertaining to social work practice 850-X-2-02 (1), (2) and (3).
- f. The Board reviewed and discussed INR request for CEU approval for Caring for Patients with Alzheimer's & Other Dementia, Caring for The Caregiver, The Insulin Connection and Social Anxiety. The Board approved all programs except Insulin Connection.
- g. The Board reviewed and discussed Jennifer Burr request. She does not need additional supervision.
- h. The Board reviewed and approved Nancy Johnson request for a waiver.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 29, 2010 in the Board Conference Room. Janet Rawls made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Teresa Young seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously and meeting adjourned at 1:05 p. m.

Board Chair

Board Secretary

Teresa Young, LCSW

Leisa Askew