

**The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
December 13,2022**

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on December 13, 2022 at the Montgomery office. Board Chair, Kai Mumpfield, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including:

District I representative Ukawia Johnson

District II representative Kai Mumpfield, Chair

District IV representative Dwan Madden

District V representative Dr. Shalunda Allen-Sherrod

District VII representative Dr. Bob McKinney

Executive Director Rachel Dickinson and board attorney Ellen Leonard were also present for the meeting. Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by verbal yes or no. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State and posted on the Secretary of State website.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the October 20th, 2022, meeting was distributed. Dr. McKinney made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Madden seconded the motion, and all voted to pass the minutes.

Election of Officers

Ms. Mumpfield called for nominations for the Chair of the Board. Dr. Allen-Sherrod nominated Ms. Mumpfield. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. Dr. McKinney made a motion to close the nominations. Ms. Madden seconded the motion to close. All voted yes to have Ms. Mumpfield as Board Chair.

Ms. Mumpfield nominated Dr. Allen-Sherrod for Vice Chair of the Board. Dr. McKinney seconded the motion. Ms. Mumpfield made a motion to close the nominations. Dr. McKinney seconded the motion to close. All voted yes to have Dr. Allen-Sherrod as Vice Chair of the Board.

Ms. Johnson nominated Ms. Madden for Secretary of the Board. Ms. Mumpfield seconded the motion. Ms. Mumpfield made a motion to close the nominations. Dr. McKinney seconded the motion to close. All voted yes to have Ms. Madden as Secretary to the Board.

Old Board Business

- a. The Director updated the Board that there are 3 open complaints and that we could potentially have three (3) hearings at the next meeting. Ms. Leonard, the Board Attorney reminded the Board that we would need five members physically present for the hearing.
- b. Ms. Mumpfield made a motion to accept approval of new licenses issued since the last Board meeting. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Board Business

- a. The Director updated the Board on the status of the budget and that the fiscal year has started off better than expected and hope that carries on into the remainder of the year. Members asked to see if they could be reimbursed for working at the AL Conference on Social Work in February.
- b. Dr. McKinney and Mrs. Dickinson gave an update on the ASWB Delegate Assembly. Mrs. Dickinson then gave an update on the website and that it was up and running with our new logo. The clinical subcommittee update was tabled until the committee could meet again to discuss in more detail. Mrs. Dickinson requested final approval for the rule change requiring LICSW's to have two years post licensure experience before they could apply to take the supervisor training and become a Board approved supervisor. At that time the Lifeline request for a two-year waiver from this rule was brought before the Board. Dr. Allen-Sherrod and Dr. McKinney expressed some hesitancy to opening this door and asked had the Board granted exemptions in the past. Mrs. Dickinson stated that it was not common practice to grant exemptions. The Members continued to discuss, and a motion was made by Dr. McKinney for the LICSW two-year post licensure requirement to go into effect June 1, 2023. Ms. Mumpfield seconded the motion. A vote was taken – four (4) members were in favor and one (1) abstained.

Other Requests

- a. Aspire Counseling and Counseling Services Supervisor Training Proposal was reviewed by the Members. A motion to accept the proposal was made by Ms. Mumpfield with the following additions to be received by the Director – a summary of the trainers providing the training and a more detailed layout of the training schedule for the first day. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all were in favor.

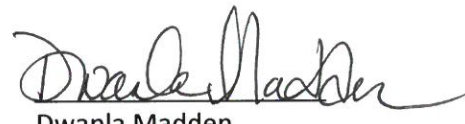
PIP Applications

- a. Rachelle Cather – Social Case Work – Approved
- b. LaTasha McFarley – Social Case Work – Approved

Dr. McKinney made a motion to approve the PIP applications. Dr. Allen-Sherrod seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and all were in favor.

The date for the next Board meeting will be February 1, 2023, at 10 AM. Dr. McKinney moved to adjourn at 11:59 am. Ms. Mumpfield seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.


Kai Mumpfield
Board Chair


Dwanla Madden
Secretary