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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 12, 2011

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, December 12, 2011, in Room 200 of the Attorney General's Offices at 323 Center Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. Tealisa Allen, Secretary of the Board, called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Angela Sanders Mae Isom Betty Rhodes
Kelley Williams Gary Gray Tealisa Allen

Board Members Absent: Nancy Streit Steven Domon Laura Printz

Board's Attorney: Grace Ellen Rice, Assistant Attorney General

Approval of Minutes:

Betty Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2011 board meeting. Angela Sanders seconded the motion, which carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on Complaint No. 2010-21:

A hearing date of January 9, 2012 at 9:00 am has been set.

Update on Complaint No. 2011-15:

The Executive Director reported that this Social Worker has been placed on suspension and the complaint is ongoing until such time as the charges against him have been resolved.

Update on Complaint No. 2012-04:

Tealisa Allen reviewed the complaint and information investigated on complaint 2012-04. Based on the information gathered, she recommended that the complaint be dismissed. Mae Isom made a motion to dismiss the complaint. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Update on Complaint No. 2012-11:

Motion made by: Kelley Williams, LCSW
2nd by: Betty Rhodes
Board Chairman: Rymer

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.
NEW BUSINESS:

Review Extension Request From Linda Tramonte:

Linda Tramonte had written the Board requesting an extension to complete her Social Work Continuing Education hours due to extenuating circumstances. Gary Gray made a motion to grant Ms. Tramonte 90-days to complete her social work continuing education. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Waiver Request # 10674:

The Board reviewed a social worker's request for a waiver (#10674) of the requirements of A.C.A. (17-103-307(f), the law that requires criminal history checks for social workers. Kelley Williams made a motion to grant the social worker's request since she met the requirements for a waiver according to A.C.A. 17-103-307(h). Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Waiver Request # 10626:

The Board reviewed a social worker's request for a waiver (#10626) of the requirements of A.C.A. (17-103-307(f), the law that requires criminal history checks for social workers. Angela Sanders made a motion to grant the social worker's request since she met the requirements for a waiver according to A.C.A. 17-103-307(h). Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Waiver Request # 10652:

The Board reviewed a social worker's request for a waiver (#10652) of the requirements of A.C.A. (17-103-307(f), the law that requires criminal history checks for social workers. Mae Isom made a motion to grant the social worker's request since she met the requirements for a waiver according to A.C.A. 17-103-307(h). Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Request From Nancy Ewing:

Nancy Ewing had written the Board requesting to appear before the Board and discuss the possibility of licensure at the LMSW level. Mae Isom made a motion put Ms. Ewing on the agenda for February 13, 2012. Angela Sanders seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Request From Jeanine Bengtson:

Jeanine Bengtson had written the Board requesting acceptance of her Supervision Plan which was submitted on December 7, 2011. The plan states her supervision began on June 25, 2010. Angela Sanders made a motion deny the request as the Supervision Guidelines and Plan are specific in stating that the original of the Plan must be mailed within 60-days of beginning

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supervision. The Board will count back 60-days from the postmark on the envelope and allow the supervision to begin at that time. Kelley Williams seconded the motion, which carried.

Update on New Complaints:

The Executive Director reported that no new complaints have been received.

Board Reviewed Possible Changes to the Laws and Regulations:

The Board is continuing to review possible changes to the Laws and Regulations. This process is ongoing.

Review of Standing Financial Reports:

Kelley Williams, LCSW, reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, Refund Report and Trial Balance Reports. These reports were from November 2011. Betty Rhodes made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Applications:

Mae Isom made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

LSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to Take the Exam:

None

Approved to take the Exam:

Sarah Kay Terwilliger

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

None

Denied Applications:

None

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Archana Ganti Bender

Amber Thomas

Anthony Walker

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Approved to take the Exam:

Adrian W Perry Rodney Seawood

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Amanda Brett Nolte

Denied or Pending Applications:

None

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Myra Jane Bauer	Matthew Southerland Boone	Jesse Ray Carothers
Joy Giniger Figarsky	Holly Marie Hannam	Cynthia Maria Marzette
Michael Lynn Ridley	Elisha Strayhorn	Kelly Michele Vansell
Sarah D Walton		

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Susan Diane Ayala

Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Renewal Applications:

The Board reviewed 93 applications for license renewal. Betty Rhodes made a motion to approve all 93 of the renewals. Angela Sanders seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:

The Board reviewed ten (10) random continuing education audits. Angela Sanders made a motion to approve all ten (10) of the audits. Mae Isom seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Supervision Plan Audits:

The Board reviewed twelve (12) random Supervision Plans for audit. Kelley Williams made a motion to approve all ten (12) of the plans. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Certificate of Registration Renewals:

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The Board reviewed six (6) Certificate of Registration Renewals. Kelley Williams made a motion to approve all six (6) of the renewals. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Other Business:

There being no new business, Mae Isom made a motion to adjourn. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

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