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BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 9, 2015

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, March 9, 2015 at the office of the Attorney General, 323 Center Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. Harold Dean, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Harold Dean Helen Jackson Lauren Marquette
Angela Sanders Gary Gray Leigh Anne Bennett
Tommie Davis Meenakshi Budhreja

Board Members Absent: Laura Printz

Board's Attorney: Nina Samuel Carter, Assistant Attorney General

Board's Staff: Ruthie Bain, Executive Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the February 9, 2015 Board meeting were reviewed. Angela Sanders made a motion to approve the minutes. Helen Jackson seconded the motion which carried.

Minutes from the February 27, 2015 Board meeting were reviewed. Leigh Anne Bennett made a motion to approve the minutes. Gary Gray seconded the motion which carried.

Update on Complaint No. 2015-03:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

Update on Complaint No. 2015-04:

After review by a Board member and based on information gathered, Laura Printz made a motion to hold a hearing on Complaint 2015-04. Lauren Marquette seconded the motion, which carried. A hearing date will be determined at a later date.

Update on Complaint No. 2015-14:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

Update on Complaint No. 2015-15:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

Motion made by: Harold Dean
2nd by: Helen Jackson
Board Chairman: Harold Dean, LCSW

Update on Complaint No. 2015-17:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Review Extension Request from Farah Price:

Farah Price had written the Board to request an extension to renew her social work license which expired on September 30, 2014 based extenuating circumstances. Lauren Marquette made a motion to deny her request. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Appeal of License Denial from Robert Pruitt, Jr.:

Robert Pruitt, Jr. had written the Board to request an appeal of the denial of his licensure for LMSW. Gary Gray made a motion to set a hearing date of May 11, 2015. Helen Jackson seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Request from Tresa Hooks:

Tresa Hooks had written the Board to request reconsideration of her supervision hours submitted. Angela Sanders made a motion to deny her request. Lauren Marquette seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Consent Order for Elizabeth Hickey:

The Board reviewed updated information submitted as required in the Consent Order issued by the Board.

Review Reports from Jamie Deere:

The Board reviewed updated information submitted as required in the Order issued by the Board.

Update in Board Presentations at Universities:

The Executive Director reported that the Board will be making presentations for new graduate students at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, and Arkansas State University during the month of March.

Update on New Complaints:

The Executive Director reported 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:

Leigh Anne Bennett reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, Refund Report and Trial Balance Reports. These reports were from February 2015.

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Angela Sanders made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Applications:

Angela Sanders made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

LSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to Take the Exam:

Sarah Berry

KaNisha L. Gray

Sandra Fay Walker

Approved to take the Exam:

Gregory C. Smith

Kena LaToya Washington

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

None

Denied Applications:

None

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Karen Susana Andrade

Tamara L. Moore

Approved to take the Exam:

Alicia Dawn Whitlock

Mary E. Williams

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

None

Denied Applications:

Edwin Silva Roman

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Sarah Margaret Buck

Callie Slade Forbess

Djuana Phae Smith

Eric Williams

Reyna J. Castellano

Roger Johnson

Annie Michelle Thompson

Priscilla Lynn Fincher

Brandi DeShawn Rodgers

Katie Mitchell Walker

Board Chair Initials

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Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

None

Denied Applications:

None

Tabled Applications:

None

Lauren Marquette seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Renewal Applications:

The Board reviewed 86 applications for license renewal. Lauren Marquette made a motion to approve 79 of the renewals. Seven of the applications are pending clarification or a breakdown of the hours. Helen Jackson 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 nine (9) of the audits. One (1) audit is pending additional information. Lauren Marquette seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Supervision Plan Audits:

The Board reviewed 20 random Supervision Plan audits. Leigh Anne Bennett made a motion to approve all 20 of the audits. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Certificate of Registrations:

The Board reviewed One (1) Certificate of Registration application. Gary Gray made a motion to approve the application. Leigh Anne Bennett seconded the motion, which carried.

Other Business:

There being no other new business, Gary Gray made a motion to adjourn. Helen Jackson seconded the motion, which carried.