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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 2, 2015

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, November 2, 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 Gary Gray Lauren Marquette
Leigh Anne Bennett Angela Sanders Helen Jackson
Tommie Davis

Board Members Absent: Meenakshi Budhraja OPEN LSW Position

Board's Attorney: Meredith Rebsamen, Assistant Attorney General

Board's Staff: Ruthie Bain, Executive Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the October 12, 2015 Board meeting were reviewed. Gary Gray made a motion to approve the minutes. Helen Jackson seconded the motion which carried.

Update on Complaint No. 2015-22:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

Update on Complaint No. 2015-24:

A Consent Order has been prepared and mailed to the social worker.

Update on Complaint No. 2016-02:

A Consent Order has been prepared and mailed to the social worker.

Update on Complaint No. 2016-03:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

Update on Complaint No. 2016-04:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

Motion made by:
2nd by:
Board Chairman:

Review Case 2015-18 Robert Pruitt, Jr.:

A previous Order issued by the Board requested Mr. Pruitt to appear before the Board on December 14, 2015. Tommie Davis made a motion to not require Mr. Pruitt to appear before the Board at this time as he is not currently licensed. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Board vote on Reimbursement of Expenses:

The Board will be sending Ruthie Bain, Executive Director to the ASWB Fall meeting November 4-8, 2015. Leigh Anne Bennett made a motion to approve reimbursement of expenses. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried. The Board will also be sending Ms. Bain to the FARB Forum in January of 2016. Gary Gray Bennett made a motion to approve reimbursement of expenses. Leigh Anne Bennett seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Request from Lottie Brown:

Lottie Brown called the Board office asking if her faxed application was received and asked if it could be approved at the November meeting. Gary Gray made a motion to deny the faxed application and let Ms. Brown know that all required forms and fees must be submitted prior to the Board reviewing the application. Helen Jackson seconded the motion, which carried.

Update on New Complaints:

The Executive Director reported no new complaints have been received.

Board Reviewed Possible Changes to the Laws and Regulations:

House Bill 1293 was signed by the Governor and is now Act 1170 of 2015. The Board will be working on new regulations to match the Law.

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 October 2015. Lauren Marquette made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Applications:

Lauren Marquette made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

LSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to Take the Exam:

Catherine White

Approved to take the Exam:

None

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

None

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Hunter E. Breshears
Kim Renee Wilson

Patricia M. Espitia

Sheila Caroline Murphy

Approved to take the Exam:

Lisa Ann Brown

Whitney Denai Brown

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Margarette May Adcock

Denied Applications:

None

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Mary F. Baumberger
Anita Marie Gateley
Tasha Marie Lewis

Valerie Williams Dewese
Jensi J. Kessler
Kristin Michelle Marts

Shelli B. Engle
Brandi Gail Koschmann
Brian A. Teal

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Jennifer Lynn Moon

John Ethel Murphy, III

Denied Applications:

None

Gary Gray seconded the motion on applications, which carried.

Action Taken on Renewal Applications:

The Board reviewed 93 applications for license renewal. Gary Gray made a motion to approve 86 of the renewals. Six (6) of the applications are pending clarification or a breakdown of the hours. One (1) application was denied. Lauren Marquette seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:

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The Board reviewed eight (8) random continuing education audits. Leigh Anne Bennett made a motion to approve all eight (8) of the audits. Gary Gray seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Supervision Plan Audits:

The Board reviewed 20 Supervision Plan audits. Gary Gray made a motion to approve all 20 of the supervision plan audits. Helen Jackson seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Certificates of Registration:

The Board reviewed one (1) Certificate of Registration Application. Tommie Davis made a motion to approve the application. Helen Jackson seconded the motion, which carried.

Other Business:

Continued Board Reviewed of Possible Changes to the Regulations:

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