



Arkansas Department of Health

Social Work Licensing Board

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER, READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, March 14, 2022, at the Social Work Licensing Board, 5800 West 10th, Little Rock, AR 72204. Elizabeth Crone, LCSW, Vice-Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order and read the Mission Statement.

Board Members Present: Elizabeth Crone, LCSW
Tammy Vaughn, LMSW
Vorandol Stinyard, Senior Representative
Betty Guhman, Public Representative
Shani Patterson, LSW
Dr. Raymond Molden, Psychiatrist
Kristin Agar, LCSW

Board Members Absent: Susan Reasoner, LCSW
Tammy Charlton, LMSW

Board's Attorney: Lacie Kirchner

Board's Staff: Ruthie Bain, Director
Chere' Johnson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the February 14, 2022, Board meeting were reviewed. Betty Guhman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT:

Complaint 2022-08, Pending

Complaint 2022-09, After full review by the Complaint Committee, the Committee recommended the complaint be dismissed. Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to dismiss the complaint. Kirstin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

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Complaint 2022-10, Pending

Complaint 2022-11, Pending

Complaint 2022-12, Pending

Complaint 2022-13, After full review by the Complaint Committee, the Committee recommended the complaint be dismissed. Betty Guhman made a motion to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Raymond Molden seconded the motion, which carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Meet with the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) and CE Brokers:

A Zoom presentation was made to the Board by Donald Oliva, Senior Business Development Executive with CE Broker. The Board will review and consider the information provided.

Review Arkansas Crime Information Center Audit for 2022:

The Arkansas Crime Information Center (ACIC) is mandated by the Compact Council to audit the Arkansas Noncriminal Justice Agencies that utilize it system. The purpose of the ACIC audit is to help agencies identify problems and to improve their information systems, not to impose criticism or penalties. The Board reviewed the final audit which showed that during the audit, there were no areas of concern identified and marked as out of compliance in accordance with the FBI CJIS Security Policy. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to accept the audit findings. Shani Patterson, LSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Question Regarding Telemedicine Supervision by a LCSW in Another State:

A social worker had submitted her Supervision Plan and noted that her LCSW was licensed in another state, and they would be doing supervision by Telemedicine. After review, the Board noted that in the past it was voted on that providing supervision was considered practicing social work. Since the LCSW would be providing social work services in Arkansas, they must be licensed in Arkansas. Dr. Raymond Molden made a motion to inform the social worker that the plan was denied and if she wished to obtain LCSW supervision the LCSW supervisor must be licensed in Arkansas. Shani Patterson, LSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Question About Applying for License at a Lower Level Than Qualified For:

A MSW graduate requested to apply for the LSW license which is the bachelor's degree level. The social worker has attempted to pass the ASWB Master's exam and has not been successful. They are seeking a job position at the bachelor's level. The social worker also holds a BSW degree. The consensus of the Board was if they meet the requirements of the LSW level they are allowed to apply for the lower level.

Review Possible Changes to the Law for the 2023 Session:

Health Department Agencies have until May 15, 2022, to submit any proposed changes to Law. Currently the only change noted was to correct the wording of "Good Moral Character" as according to Act 990 of 2019. Board Members will review the Law for the April meeting.

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Review of Standing Financial Reports:

Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, Revenue Reconciliation Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, Refund Report and Trial Balance Reports. These reports were from February 2022. Shani Patterson, LSW, made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Vorandol Stinyard seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Applications:

Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

LSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to Take the Exam:

Karen Brown	Sarah Gaston	Whitney Ishmon
Jacqueline Kukura	Emilee Martin	Cassandra Webb

Approved to take the Exam:

None

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Hannah Murphy	Eric Scott
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Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Margrit Harris	Karysta Lloyd	Bianca Marrujo
Eleni Tesch		

Approved to take the Exam:

Julia Allen	Jennifer Olmstead	Misty Smith
Kirra Williams		

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Alma Burrell	Claire Jagers	Elizabeth Upton
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Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Natasha Booth	Whitney Bradford	Lauren Chambless
Tiffany Cloud	Jennifer Fratesi	Eboni Haney
Caitlyn Hendrickson	Joey Jackson	Paula Mainard
Janica Patrick	Lindsey Ruhr	Shameeka Williams

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Eduardo Abuyog	Cynthia Booker-Bingler	Milton Brown
Jennifer Candice	Youlanda Davis	Tiffany Glisson
James Nick Harper	Tiffany Murray	Elizabeth Roods
Lisa Ann Smith		

Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

Vorandol Stinyard seconded the motion on applications, which carried.

Action Taken on Renewal Applications:

The Board reviewed 103 applications for license renewal. Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to approve 102 of the renewals. Betty Guhman seconded the motion, which carried. One renewal is pending clarification.

Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:

The Board reviewed 11 random continuing education audits. Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to approve 10 of the audits and send one social worker a Letter of Caution for not submitting all documentation. Betty Guhman seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Supervision Plan Reviews and Late Supervision Evaluation Submissions:

The Board reviewed 18 supervision plans. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to show 15 of the supervision plans reviewed. Vorandol Stinyard seconded the motion, which carried. Three (3) of the Supervision Plans reviewed required clarification.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no other business, Kristin Agar, LCSW, made a motion to adjourn. Vorandol Stinyard seconded the motion, which carried.

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