



# Arkansas Department of Health

## Social Work Licensing Board

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**Governor Asa Hutchison**

**José Romero, MD, Secretary of Health**

**Ruthie Bain, Director**

### BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 11, 2021

#### CALL TO ORDER, READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, October 11, 2021, at the Social Work Licensing Board, 5800 West 10<sup>th</sup>, Suite 906, Little Rock, Arkansas. Tammy Charlton, LMSW, Vice-Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order and read the Mission Statement.

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

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Board's Attorney:** Lacie Kirchner

**Board's Staff:** Ruthie Bain, Director  
Chere' Johnson, Administrative Specialist III

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the September 13, 2021, Board meeting were reviewed. Kristin Agar, LCSW, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Elizabeth Crone, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

#### COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT:

The Complaint Committee reported on the following complaints:

Complaint 2022-03 – After full review by the Complaint Committee, the Committee recommended the complaint be dismissed. Susan Reasoner, LCSW, made a motion to dismiss the complaint. Vorandol Stinyard seconded the motion, which carried.

**Complaint 2022-04 – Pending**

Complaint 2022-05 - After full review by the Complaint Committee, the Committee recommended the complaint be dismissed. Betty Guhman made a motion to dismiss the complaint. Kristin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Review Waiver Requests:**

The Board had no requests for a waiver.

**Review ASWB Request for Nonstandard Testing Arrangements:**

The Board received four (4) requests from ASWB for special arrangements. All four (4) requests were approved.

**Welcome New Board Member:**

Shani Patterson, LSW, was appointed to the Board by Governor Asa Hutchinson, on September 8, 2021 to fill the LSW position. This replaces Debra Gage Hurd, PhD, LSW. The Board welcomes Ms. Patterson and thanks her for her willingness to serve in this position.

**Review of Standing Financial Reports:**

Elizabeth Crone, LCSW, reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, Refund Report and Trial Balance Reports. These reports were from September 2021. Betty Guhman made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Kirstin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

**Action Taken on Applications:**

Susan Reasoner, LCSW, made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

**LSW Applications:**

**Provisionally Licensed and Approved to Take the Exam:**

Diane Gaynor  
Natalie Pham

Donielle Green

Amy Leyva

**Approved to take the Exam:**

Carly Lynn Nehus

**Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:**

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None

**Denied or Withdrawn Applications:**

None

**LMSW Applications:**

**Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:**

Ashlee Fason	Miranda Johnson	Sarah Knuth
Jessica Lasseter	Tionna Miller	Jennifer Oliver
Nalley Smith	Molly Snoddy	Rique A Tubbs

**Approved to take the Exam:**

Eleanor Fondren	Crystal Kimmer	Serena McCarty
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**Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:**

Felisha Higdon	Hannah Lavan
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**Denied or Withdrawn Applications:**

None

**LCSW Applications:**

**Approved to take Examination:**

Jennifer Balch	Jacquelyn Cole	Sharon Freeman
Shonica Gentle	Tiffany Hadden	Adela Hernandez
Caitlin Houk	Caitlyn Johnson	Delilah Lawson
Erin Mcguire	Rachael Marx	Melanie McLeain
Amy Mills	Samantha Ramsey	Jason Thompson
Wakesha Tubbs	Just Younger	

**Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:**

Gwenette Barron	Rebecca Bullion	Jennifer Burleson
Myriam Ann Carter	Helen Essa	Harold Hedin
Alexis Hill	Marrie Katchum Gant	Holly L Krymis
Melissa Marshall	Lesley Mathisen	Sandra Miller
Jenna Myers	Deborah Nomura	Rebecca Palas
Sean Michael Palas	Christy Wooton	

**Denied or Withdrawn Applications:**

None

Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion on applications, which carried.

**Action Taken on Renewal Applications:**

The Board reviewed 119 applications for license renewal. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to approve all 119 of the renewals. Vorandol Stinyard seconded the motion, which carried.

**Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:**

The Board reviewed 21 random continuing education audits. Susan Reasoner, LCSW, made a motion to approve 18 of the audits. Betty Guhman seconded the motion, which carried. Two of the approved audits were sent a Letter of Caution. The Board voted to waive one audit as the social worker is active military duty and currently deployed. One audit was taken before the Board and a Letter of Reprimand will be sent due to not having certificates of attendance for all courses listed.

**Action Taken on Supervision Plan Reviews:**

The Board reviewed 50 supervision plans. Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to show 45 of the supervision plans reviewed. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion, which carried. Five (5) of the Supervision Plans reviewed required clarification.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Board Officer Elections:**

Debra Gage Hurd, PhD, LSW, who was Chair of the Board served her final meeting as Board member and Chair on September 13, 2021. The Board took nominations for the Chair of the Board. By vote, the Board elected Tammy Charlton, LMSW, as the new Chair. Tammy Charlton, LMSW, had served in the Vice Chair position on the Board, so her position was open. The Board took nominations for the Vice Chair of the Board. By vote, the Board elected Elizabeth Crone, LCSW, as the new Vice Chair. Elizabeth Crone, LCSW, had served in the Secretary position on the Board, so her position was open. The Board took nominations for the Secretary of the Board. By vote, the Board elected Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, as the new Secretary.

**Farewell and Best Wishes:**

The Board would like to thank Debra Gage Hurd, PhD, LSW, for her service and commitment to the Board. Dr. Hurd was appointed to the Board by Governor Asa Hutchinson in October of 2015. Dr. Hurd was reappointed on February 15, 2019. During this period, Dr. Hurd served as Vice Chair of the Board from January 14, 2019, until June 7, 2020. On June 8, 2020, Dr. Hurd was elected as Chair of the Board. She served as Chair until September 13, 2021.

There being no other business, Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to adjourn. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

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