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 10th, 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:
None

Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Ashlee Fason  
Jessica Lasseter  
Nalley Smith  

Miranda Johnson  
Tionna Miller  
Molly Snoddy  

Sarah Knuth  
Jennifer Oliver  
Rique A Tubbs

Approved to take the Exam:

Eleanor Fondren  
Crystal Kimmer  
Serena McCarty

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Felisha Higdon  
Hannah Lavan

Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Jennifer Balch  
Shonica Gentle  
Caitlin Houk  
Erin McGuire  
Amy Mills  
Wakesha Tubbs  

Jacquelyn Cole  
Tiffany Hadden  
Caitlyn Johnson  
Rachael Marx  
Samantha Ramsey  
Just Younger  

Sharon Freeman  
Adela Hernandez  
Delilah Lawson  
Melanie McLean  
Jason Thompson

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Gwenette Barron  
Myriam Ann Carter  
Alexis Hill  
Melissa Marshall  
Jenna Myers  
Sean Michael Palas  

Rebecca Bullion  
Helen Essa  
Marrie Katchum Gant  
Lesley Mathisen  
Deborah Nomura  
Christy Wooton  

Jennifer Burleson  
Harold Hedin  
Holly L Kymis  
Sandra Miller  
Rebecca Palas

Denied or Withdrawn Applications:
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.