

**Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 6, 2004  
Embassy Suites Hotel  
14021 Noel Rd.  
Dallas, TX 75240**

**Board Members Present:** Jeannie McGuire, LSW; Dee Stewart-Bridges; Julia Dunaway, LMSW-ACP; Lt. Willie McGee Jr.; Steve Roberts, LMSW-ACP; Jamie Ward, SWA.

**Staff Present:** Andrew Marks, LMSW, Executive Director; Georgia Norman, TDH Board Support; Mike Greenberg, Board Attorney;

**Guests:** Vicki Hansen, LMSW-AP, NASW/Texas.

1. Jeannie McGuire called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.
2. The minutes from the December 6, 2003 as amended. A motion was made by Steve Roberts and seconded by Jamie Ward to accept the minutes. The motion passed.
3. Jeannie McGuire gave the Board Chair report. She discussed the recent board retreat and the issues that were discussed concerning the board activities and goals.
4. Andrew Marks gave the Executive Director report. He discussed the reorganization and the increased workload.
5. Andrew Mark gave the Professional Licensing and Certification Division report. He discussed the board budget.
6. Report from the Board Committees:
  - a. Jeannie McGuire gave the Ethics Committee report. A motion was made by Willie McGee and seconded by Jamie Ward to accept the report. The motion passed.
  - b. Steve Roberts gave the Licensing Standards and Qualification Committee report. A motion was made by Julia Dunaway and seconded by Holly Anaway to accept the report. The motion passed.
  - c. Dee Stewart-Bridges gave the Professional Development Committee report. She reported that a taskforce on continuing education providers will meet in June. A motion was made by Steve Roberts and seconded by

Willie McGee to create the taskforce on continuing education providers.  
The motion passed.

7. The board discussed the discussed the disciplinary actions that have been levied for the following:

SW-03-029 (GL)

SW-03-086 (GL)

A motion was made by Jamie Ward and seconded by Julia Dunaway to accept the default revocation. The motion passed.

SW-03-034 (PD)

Dee Stewart-Bridges made the motion and seconded by Willie McGee to accept the reprimand. The motion passed.

SW-03-065 (AM)

Julia Dunaway made the motion to accept the probated suspension and seconded by Jamie Ward. The motion passed.

8. Andrew Marks discussed the Alternative Methods of Examining Candidates program and the recent receipt of a portfolio from an applicant.

- a. The following will begin the probationary period:

S32648- Raquel Sistos

S35197- Arlene Mirza

S35424- Grace Armijo

S35441- Deborah Rowland

S36744- Aniema Umana

S37244- Laura Velinor

S37562- Melissa Aiza

S38555- Christy Berry-Lakey

S38600- Tatum Martin

- b. The following will be released from probation and granted a regular license:

S28289- Adrienne Harrison

S33256- Bertha Parra

S33514- Lori Small-Schwartz

S36079- Mario Vazquez

S36086- Debra Gonzales-Luna

S36128- Heather Behr

S36776- Patti Harris

S37128- Cynthia Hernandez

S37129- Azeneth Luis

S37226- Yvette Rendon

S32257- Clifford Williamson

A motion was made by Willie McGee and seconded by Steve Roberts to accept the report. The motion passed.

9. The board discussed the appeal of the Licensing Standards and Qualification Committee decision to deny experience of S33293, Jennifer Ellis, as clinical work acceptable towards the Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) license. Dee Stewart-Bridges made the motion to accept the experience as clinical experience and seconded by Jeannie McGuire. The motion passed.
10. Andrew Marks discussed S39592 Jan Whitaker's eligibility for licensure based on her grandfathered licensure in Louisiana. Steve Robert made the motion to deny the request and seconded by Dee Stewart-Bridges. The motion passed.
11. Andrew Marks discussed permitting students in their final semester of their CSWE program to apply for licensure and being approved to sit for the examination prior to the receipt of their official degree in social work. A motion was made by Dee Stewart-Bridges and seconded by Steve Roberts for a legal opinion from the Office of General Counsel. The motion passed.
12. Andrew Marks discussed the approval of licensees toward independent practice and the recommendations for criteria for review. Steve Roberts made the motion to charge for review and seconded by Julia Dunaway. The motion passed.
13. Andrew Marks discussed the Consumer Health Protection (CHP) Regulatory Texas Online Project (on-line renewal of licenses and applications). The board is scheduled to go online in June 2004 and the fee will be increased to implement this process. Applications will be added online in January 2005.
14. Andrew Marks discussed the redesign, printing and distribution of licenses under the new categories.
15. Andrew Marks discussed the Analysis of the Practice of Social Work 2001-2003 by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB).
16. Andrew Marks discussed the reorganization of Health and Human Service agencies under the Health and Human Service Commission in compliance with HB2292.
17. Andrew Marks discussed the reorganization of the Professional Licensing and Certification Division.
18. Andrew Marks updated the board regarding the Sunset Commission review for 2005.
19. The next meeting will be June 4-5, 2004.
20. Vicki Hansen commented on the printing of new licenses.
21. The meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.