

**Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Board Meeting
Saturday, June 17, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.
Embassy Suites Hotel Austin – Arboretum
9505 Stonelake Blvd.
Austin, TX 78759**

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Jeannie McGuire, Professional Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member
Kimberly Hernandez, Professional Member
Dorinda Noble, Professional Member
Matt Shaheen, Public Member
Julia Dunaway, Professional Member

Board Members Absent:

Willie McGee, Public Member
Carrie Yeats, Professional Member
Holly Anawaty, Public Member

Staff Present:

Charles Horton
Dan Meador
Georgia Norman
Stephen Mills
Debbie Peterson

Guests Present:

Kathy Rider
Vickie Hansen
Cossy Hough
Andrew Marks

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 9:10 am by Ms. McGuire, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was the approval of the minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion and possible action regarding reports from the following board committees:

Ms. McGuire gave the Ethics Committee report. The committee reviewed 14 complaints, of which 9 cases were closed, 3 cases were proposed for disciplinary action, 2 were returned for additional information. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ms. Dunaway gave the Licensing Standards and Qualifications Committee report. The committee discussed 6 cases, of which 3 cases were approved, 2 cases required further evaluation and 1 case was denied. The committee also discussed the proposal, including proposed rule changes related to the implementation of Independent Practice Recognition. A motion was made by Mr. Shaheen to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Shaheen gave the Professional Development Committee report. The committee discussed the Alternative Method of Examining Competency (AMEC) program participants, continuing education provider audits, and the jurisprudence examination. The committee also discussed the proposal, including proposed rule changes related to the implementation of Independent Practice Recognition. A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Brown gave the Rules Committee report. The committee discussed changes in 22 Texas Administrative Code 781 (board rules). A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding the implementation of Independent Practice Recognition. A motion was made by Mr. Shaheen to accept the proposal as modified by discussion and the timeline to complete its implementation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion and possible action relating to proposed changes in 22 Texas Administrative Code 781 (board rules) regarding continuing education provider audits, the implementation of Independent Practice Recognition, the supervision process, and general matters related to the regulation of social workers. A motion was made by Mr. Shaheen to propose the rules. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion and possible action regarding the final disciplinary action on SW-06-001 (KB). A motion was made by Mr. Brown to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion and possible action regarding the final disciplinary action on SW-05-104 (BT). A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 8 was the discussion and possible action regarding the final disciplinary action on SW-02-107 (BC). A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 9 was the discussion and possible action regarding the final disciplinary action on SW-02-108 (LC). A motion was made by Dr. Noble to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 10 was the discussion and possible action regarding the final disciplinary action on SW-05-092 (BI). A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 11 was the discussion and possible action regarding the licensure surrender of Rebecca Bridges (SW-04-108). A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 12 was the discussion regarding issues surrounding the licensure of sex offender treatment providers through the Council on Sex Offender Treatment.

Agenda Item 13 was the report from the Board Chair. Ms. McGuire commended the board for their work in committees and committee assignments.

Agenda Item 14 was the report from the Executive Director. Ms. Horton discussed the independent practice recognition and travel/hotel issues.

Agenda Item 15 was the report from the Professional Licensing and Certification Unit representative. Ms. Peterson discussed the budget, the reorganization of the unit, the criminal history audit, the new division computer system and government reform.

Agenda Item 16 was to schedule the next meeting(s). The next meeting will be September 7-9, 2006 in San Antonio.

Agenda Item 17 was public comment. Ms. Hough addressed the board. Ms. Hansen addressed the board. Ms. Rider addressed the board.

Agenda Item 18 was to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 am. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jeannie McGuire, Chairman