

**Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Board Meeting
Saturday, March 24, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.
Embassy Suites Hotel
9505 Stonelake Blvd
Austin TX**

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Jeannie McGuire, Professional Member
Dorinda Noble, Professional Member
Julia Dunaway, Professional Member
Willie McGee, Public Member
Kimberly Hernandez, Professional Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Charles Horton
Dan Meador
Georgia Norman
Stephen Mills

Guests Present:

Carol Miller, NASW/TX

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 9:00 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 regarding reports from the following board committees:

Ms. McGuire gave the Ethics Committee report. The committee reviewed 16 cases, of which 13 cases were closed, 1 case was tabled and 2 cases were proposed for disciplinary action. The committee also discussed the proposed changes in 22 Texas Administrative Code 781 (board rules) regarding the code of conduct and professional standards of practice of social workers and general matters related to the regulation of social workers. A motion was made by Mr. McGee to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Meador discussed SW-05-039 (TS). A motion was made by Mr. Brown to withdraw the proposed action. The motion was seconded and passed. The motion passed.

Ms. Dunaway gave the Licensing Standards and Qualifications Committee report. The committee reviewed 18 cases, of which 11 cases were approved, 1 case was tabled and 6 cases were denied. The committee also discussed the minimum course requirements for approval of a supervisor training provider, trend of graduates in social work not pursuing licensure and the proposed changes in 22 Texas Administrative Code 781 (board rules) regarding qualifications for licensure, authorized practice of licensed master social workers, and general matters related to the regulation of social workers. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ms. McGuire gave the Professional Development Committee report. The committee discussed board publications, Internet web site, applicants for entry into the Alternative Method of Examining Competency (AMEC) program and approval for full licensure of program participants completing the program requirements, continuing education provider audits, proposed changes in 22 Texas Administrative Code 781 (board rules) regarding qualifications for licensure, authorized practice of licensed master social workers, and general matters related to the regulation of social workers. A motion was made by Mr. McGee to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Brown gave the Rules Committee report. The committee discussed proposed changes in 22 Texas Administrative Code 781 (board rules) regarding general matters related to the regulation of social workers. A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding the final disciplinary actions regarding SW-04-086 (SM). A motion was made by Mr. McGee to approve the agreed order. The motion was seconded and discussed. The motion passed.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion regarding the final disciplinary actions regarding SW-03-073 (CMK). A motion was made by Mr. McGee to approve the agreed order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion regarding the final disciplinary actions regarding SW-04-080 (DJ) and SW-05-010 (DJ). A motion was made by Mr. McGee to approve the agreed order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion regarding the final disciplinary actions regarding SW-04-084 (PR), SW-04-090 (PR) and SW-04-085 (PR). A motion was made by Mr. McGee to approve the agreed order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 8 was the discussion action regarding pending legislation. Ms. Miller discussed legislation regarding the reorganization, minimum requirements for social studies. Mr. Mills discussed legislation concerning child support, false statements to licensing authorities, the new licensing programs and sex offenders.

Agenda Item 9 was the report from the Board Chair. Ms. McGuire commended Mr. Horton for his work on the IPR and the structure of committees.

Agenda Item 10 was the report from the Executive Director. Mr. Horton discussed the IPR and the proposed rules.

Agenda Item 11 was the report from the Professional Licensing and Certification Unit representative. Mr. Mills commended Mr. Horton and Ms. Norman on the IPR mail-out.

Agenda Item 12 was to schedule the next meeting(s). The next meeting date will be June 9, 2007.

Agenda Item 13 was public comment. Ms. Miller addressed the board.

Agenda Item 14 was to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 am. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jeannie McGuire, Chairman