

**Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Board Meeting
Saturday, December 4, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.
Embassy Suites Hotel Austin – Arboretum
9505 Stonelake Blvd.
Austin, TX 78759**

Minutes

Board Members Present

Jeannie McGuire, Professional Member
Matt Shaheen, Public Member
Carrie Yeats, Professional Member
Julia Dunaway, Professional Member
Willie McGee, Public Member
Steve Roberts, Professional Member
Holly Anawaty, Public Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member

DSHS Staff Present

Andrew Marks
Melissa Utpadel
Dan Meador
Debbie Peterson

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 9:05 am by Ms. McGuire, Chair.

Agenda Item 2 was the approval of the minutes. Mr. Roberts made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the report from the Board Chair. Ms. McGuire presented the report.

Agenda Item 4 was the report from the Executive Director. Mr. Marks presented the report.

Agenda Item 5 was the report from the Professional Licensing and Certification Division representative. Ms. Peterson discussed the organization and consolidation of DSHS and the Sunset Advisory Commission.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion and possible action regarding reports from the Board Committees.

Jeannie McGuire gave the Ethics Committee report. She reported that 27 cases were heard, of which 19 cases were closed and 8 disciplinary actions were proposed. Mr. Shaheen made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Julia Dunaway gave the Licensing Standards and Qualifications Committee report. She reported that 10 cases were reviewed, of which 2 were denials, 5 were returned for more information. A motion was made by Mr. Roberts to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Matt Shaheen gave the Professional Development Committee report. He discussed the newsletter, the requirements for the Alternative Method of Examining Competency (AMEC) program participants and the ASWB Guide to Social Work Ethics Course Development. Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion and possible action on levying disciplinary action. Andrew Marks gave the report.

SW-00-019 (DN) was regarding the recommendation for revocation. Mr. Shaheen made a motion to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

SW-03-024 (MG) was regarding the suspension of the license. Mr. Shaheen made a motion to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

SW-02-086 (CKD) was regarding a reprimand. Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

SW-03-111 (JC) was regarding a revocation. Mr. Shaheen made a motion to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

SW-04-048 (BW) was regarding a suspension. Mr. Shaheen made a motion to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and unanimously accepted.

SW-04-015 (JP) was regarding a suspension. A motion was made by Mr. Shaheen to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

SW-02-107 (BC) has requested SOAH.

SW-02-108 (LC) has requested SOAH.

SW-03-005 (DR) has requested an informal settlement conference.

SW-03-047 (SS) was regarding a default revocation.

SW-03-010 (AL) an informal settlement conference was held. This complaint was closed as unsubstantiated.

SW-03-073 (CMK) has requested SOAH.

SW-03-075 (SH) has surrendered the license.

SW-04-034 (CO) has requested SOAH.

SW-04-071 (JH) an informal settlement conference was held. This complaint was closed as no violation to the law or rules.

Ms. McGuire made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 8 was the discussion and possible action regarding an appeal of the decision of the Licensing Standards and Qualification Committee regarding:

S33229 (SBM) was withdrawn. Not discussed.

Agenda Item 9 was the discussion and action for individuals requesting licensure in accordance with §781.311 Alternative method of Examining Competency:

Andrew Marks gave the report on the Alternative Method of Examining Competency program.

The following will begin the probationary period:

S39865 Iniekem Effanga

S36155 Brenda Coleman

S33683Cathy Cota

S38662Cynthia Hall-Johnson

S34943 LaMerle Rice

S37940Siby Thomas

S33428Christy Webb

S26953Theresa Yarbrough

Mr. Roberts made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed

Andrew Marks gave the report regarding the review of the following individuals who have completed their professional portfolio and may be released from probation and granted a regular license:

S24261 Esther Lares

S35197 Arlene Mirza

S36996 Hermione Ware

S36524 Marcia Clayton

Mr. Shaheen made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Andrew Marks gave the report regarding the participation in AMEC requiring board review on the following individual:

S37188 Anthony Austin has been withdrawn from the AMEC program. Ms. McGuire made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 10 was the discussion and possible action regarding the 79th Texas Legislature and potential legislation that could impact board functions, rules and professional practice. No action taken.

Agenda Item 11 was the discussion regarding the Consumer Health Protection (CHP) Regulatory Texas Online Project (on-line renewal of licenses and applications). No action taken.

Agenda Item 12 was the discussion regarding the Delegate Assembly of the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) on November 12-14, 2004 in Chantilly VA (DC Metro Area). No action taken.

Agenda Item 13 was the discussion regarding the reorganization of the Health and Human Service agencies under the Health and Human Service Commission in compliance with HB2292. No action taken.

Agenda Item 14 was the discussion regarding the reorganization of the Professional Licensing and Certification Division. No action taken.

Agenda Item 15 was the discussion regarding the Sunset Commission review for 2005. No action taken

Agenda Item 16 was to set the next meeting date, which will be March 5-6, 2005 in Austin.

Agenda Item 17 was public comment. No comment.

Agenda Item 18 was to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 am.

Jeannie McGuire, Chairman