

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Board Meeting
Friday, June 3, 2005 at 3:30 p.m.
Department of State Health Services (Tower Building), Room T-607
1100 W. 49th Street
Austin, TX 78756

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Jeannie McGuire, Professional Member
Holly Anawaty, Public Member
Julia Dunaway, Professional Member
Jamie Ward, Professional Member
Willie McGee, Public Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member

Board Members Absent:

Matt Shaheen, Public Member
Carrie Yeats, Professional Member
Steve Roberts, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Andrew Marks
Champ Kerr
Georgia Norman

Guests:

Carolyn C. Morrison, TSCSW

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order 3:30 pm by Ms. McGuire, Chair.

Agenda Item 2 was the approval of minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to accept the minutes from the December 4, 2004 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to accept the minutes from the March 5, 2005 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the report from the Board Chair. Ms. McGuire discussed the next meeting, which will be held in July. She also discussed travel advances and credit card issues for board members.

Agenda Item 4 was the report from Executive Director. Mr. Marks discussed the ASWB Delegate Assembly in Fall 2007. He also discussed examination scores, recent telephone monitoring, and a draft of ASWB standards of practice. No action taken.

Agenda Item 5 was the report from Professional Licensing and Certification Division representative. Ms. Peterson discussed the budget, the new computer system for the division and the next board chair meeting, which will be held on June 29, 2005.

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

Ms. McGuire gave the Ethics Committee report. She reported that the committee reviewed 14 complaints, of which 13 complaints were closed and 1 complaint was proposed for a probated suspension. The committee also discussed 7 cases that are currently awaiting hearings or settlement conferences. A motion was made by Ms. Ward to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ms. Dunaway gave the Licensing Standards and Qualifications Committee report. She reported that the committee reviewed 7 cases, of which 2 cases were approved, 4 cases were denied and 1 case was tabled. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ms. Ward gave the Rules Committee report. She reported that the committee discussed changes in 22 TAC 781 (board rules) regarding increasing licensing fees. A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion and possible action on levying disciplinary action against SW-04-034 (CO). A motion was made by Mr. Brown to accept the disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 8 was the discussion regarding individuals requesting licensure in accordance with §781.311 Alternative method of Examining Competency. Mr. Marks gave the report regarding the AMEC participants. He reported that the following individuals will begin the probationary period:

S30883 Hannah Amaefula
S34848 Amy Tsao
S35439 Norma Hernandez
S35539 Jesse Lewis
S38470 Benjamin Reed
S37745 Michael Gianotti
S39358 Martha Martinez
S40072 Brooke Newhouse
S40316 Marlo Escobar

Mr. Marks reported that the following individuals have completed the AMEC program and could be recommended for a full license:

S38555 Christy Berry-Lakey
S33335 Neidra Harris
S32648 Raquel Sistos

Mr. Marks discussed the deficiencies in completing the requirements for participation in AMEC requiring board review regarding S36462 Linda Martin-Prejean.

A motion was made by Ms. Ward to accept the recommendations regarding the AMEC program participants. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 9 not listed on agenda.

Agenda Item 10 was the discussion and possible action regarding modifications to board policies due to license category title changes and the administrative attachment to the Department of State Health Services. A motion was made by Ms. Dunaway to approve the board policies. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 11 was the discussion regarding the 79th Texas Legislature and potential legislation that could impact board functions, rules and professional practice. Mr. Mills discussed the legislative bill tracking chart, the Sunset legislation and the jurisprudence examination. A motion was made by Ms. Anaway to allow staff to develop jurisprudence examination questions for board review and approval. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 12 was the discussion regarding the Delegate Assembly of the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) November 4-6, 2005 in Detroit MI. Ms. Dunaway nominated Mr. Brown to attend the conference.

Agenda Item 13 was the discussion regarding the annual conference of the Texas Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW/Texas) November 10-12, 2005 in Galveston TX. No action taken.

Agenda Item 14 was to set the next meeting date, which will be July 22, 2005 in Arlington and September 9-10, 2005 in Austin.

Agenda Item 15 was public comment. No public comment.

Agenda Item 16 was to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 pm.

Jeannie McGuire, Chairman