

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Ethics Committee Meeting
Friday, May 4, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.
1100 West 49th Street, M-739
Austin TX 78756-3183

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Jeannie McGuire, Professional Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member
Dorinda Noble, Professional Member
Matt Shaheen, Public Member

Staff Present:

Charles Horton
Georgia Norman
Dan Meador
Champ Kerr
Steve Slough
Gerard Bonner
Darryl Reed

Guests Present:

Robin Dedrick
Katia Paredes
Vicki Hansen
Allison James
Elizabeth Higginbotham

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 1:42 pm by Mr. Brown, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2007 Ethics Committee meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion on the following pending complaints:

Complaint # 1072070031 (RD) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to close this complaint as non-jurisdictional. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070017 (KP) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as unsubstantiated. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070043 (AJ) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Shaheen to close this complaint with a letter of advisement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070035 (JO) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint with a letter of advisement about dual relationships. The motion was seconded and discussed. The motion passed.

Complaint # 1072070006 (NM) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to propose a civil penalty and injunction for 18 months for unlicensed practice and letter to the current employer. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070020 (DW) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Shaheen to table this complaint for an additional investigation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070030 (GR) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to propose 1-year probated suspension and 6 hours of continuing education in record keeping and professional boundaries. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070032 (TC) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to propose a 2-year probated suspension with monthly supervision, quarterly reporting, 3 hours of continuing education in professional boundaries and psychological evaluation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070055 (JD) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as non-jurisdictional. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070063 (RM) was discussed. A motion was made to return for further investigation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070069 (JC) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as non-jurisdictional. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070070 (SV) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as non-jurisdictional. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding the executive director's report on the following cases where disciplinary actions have been recommended, Informal Settlement Conferences have been held or SOAH hearings have been requested:

SW-02-021 (LC) is pending SOAH.

SW-04-086 (SM) is pending a final approval by board.

SW-04-101 (MS) is pending an informal conference.

SW-05-010 (DJ) is pending a final approval by board.

SW-05-009 (SS) is pending SOAH.

SW-05-039 (TS) has been closed.

SW-05-091 (SGC) is pending SOAH.

SW-05-113 (EL) is pending SOAH.

SW-05-124 (LF) is pending an informal conference.

SW-06-013 (JC) is pending an informal conference.

SW-06-032 & SW-04-054 (VA) is pending a final approval by board.

SW-06-036 (TI) is pending SOAH.

SW-06-071 (CW) is pending an informal conference.

1072070001 (AC) is pending an informal conference.

1072060100 (CB) is pending agreement.

1072060110 (BB) is pending an informal conference.

1072070028 (SJ) is pending an informal conference.

Agenda Item 5 was to set the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be June 7, 2007.

Agenda Item 6 was public comment. There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 7 was to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 pm. The motion was seconded and passed.

Tim Brown, Chairman