# Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners

# Ethics Committee Meeting

# Friday, February 3, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

### Department of State Health Services (Exchange Building), Room S-402 8407 Wall Street Austin, TX 78754

#### **Minutes**

### **Board Members Present:**

Jeannie McGuire, Professional Member Tim Brown, Professional Member Dorinda Noble, Professional Member

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Holly Anawaty, Public Member

#### **Staff Present:**

Charles Horton Dan Meador Georgia Norman Steve Slough Champ Kerr

### **Guests Present:**

Terrie Adams Martin Cirkiel Michael Coulter Iris Ramos Nicolas Flores Sandra McDonald Barbara Ouirk Shawn McDonald Barbara Tate Michael Gianotti Philip McCleery Michael Ouinn Tabitha James Kathleen Gorman Larry Becker Stephan Adams Bill Buffum Bill Wiese Carolyn Morrison Eric Larson

**Agenda Item 1** was to call the meeting to order at 10:20 am by Ms. McGuire, chair.

**Agenda Item 2** was to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2005 Ethics Committee meeting. 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 on the following pending complaints:

SW-06-004 (TA) and SW-06-005 (MC) were discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close both complaints as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-003 (MG) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to propose a letter of advisement regarding appropriate release of confidential information with proper consent. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-018 (TJ) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as unsubstantiated. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-022 (BW) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-009 (IR) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-038 (CS) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as non-jurisdictional. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-05-113 (EL) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to propose 2-year probated suspension with a with a stipulation to review the suspension at the end of the first year of supervision, must complete weekly supervision by a board-approved supervisor, submit quarterly reports and complete an 6 additional hours of continuing education regarding ethics. The motion was seconded. The motion was discussed and passed.

SW-06-006 (KCG) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-05-135 (SA) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-05-085 (LM) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-05-101 (EL) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-05-137 (DS) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as no violation but with a letter of advisement about informing the board of the status of his arrest. The motion was seconded and discussed. The motion passed.

SW-06-027 (LB) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-028 (LP) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as non-jurisdictional. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-021 (DSJ) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as unsubstantiated. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-032 (VA) & SW-04-054 (VA) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to table this complaint. The motion was seconded and passed.

SW-06-042 (DD) was tabled and not discussed.

SW-06-044 (MS) was tabled for further investigation.

**Agenda Item 4** was the discussion and possible action regarding 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-04-080 DJ and SW-05-010 DJ have requested SOAH. SW-02-107 BC and SW-02-108 LC have requested SOAH. SW-04-108 RB has requested SOAH.

SW-05-038 CV has requested an informal settlement conference.

SW-05-094 CB was discussed. An informal settlement conference was held and this complaint was closed with a letter of advisement.

SW-04-104 KW has requested an informal settlement conference.

SW-05-112 KW has requested an informal settlement conference.

SW-05-096 VW has requested an informal settlement conference.

SW-04-084 PR, SW-04-090 PR and SW-04-085 PR have requested SOAH.

SW-05-039 TS has requested SOAH.

SW-05-052 JW has requested an informal settlement conference.

SW-03-073 CMK has requested SOAH.

SW-05-009 SS has requested SOAH.

SW-05-092 BI has requested an informal settlement conference.

SW-05-104 BT has accepted the disciplinary action.

**Agenda Item 5** was to set the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be March 3, 2006 in Austin.

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

**Agenda Item 7** was to adjourn the meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm.

Jeannie McGuire, Chairman