



Arkansas Department of Health

Social Work Licensing Board

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2022

CALL TO ORDER, READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, July 11, 2022, at the Social Work Licensing Board, 5800 West 10th, Little Rock, AR 72204. Tammy Charlton, LMSW, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order and read the Mission Statement.

Board Members Present: Elizabeth Crone, LCSW
Vorandol Stinyard, Senior Representative
Kristin Agar, LCSW
Tammy Vaughn, LMSW
Betty Guhman, Public Representative
Shani Patterson, LSW

Board Members Absent: Dr. Raymond Molden, Psychiatrist
Susan Reasoner, LCSW
Tammy Charlton, LMSW

Board's Attorney: Lacie Kirchner

Board's Staff: Ruthie Bain, Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the June 13, 2022, Board meeting were reviewed. Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Kristin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT:

Complaint 2022-15, Pending

Complaint 2022-19, Pending

NEW BUSINESS:

Review Request from Individual Wanting Exception:

Social Work Licensing Board
Review Date: August 8, 2022

Motion made by: *Tammy Vaughn, LMSW*
2nd by: *Shani Patterson, LSW*
Board Chair: *Tammy Charlton, LMSW*

An individual representing a company had written the Board asking for an exception for one of their potential employees to be reviewed and approved before the next Board meeting. Betty Guhman made a motion to deny the request. Vorandol Stinyard seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Request from LaJuana Guy:

LaJuana Guy had written the Board requesting to be grandfathered and issued her license. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to deny the request. Shani Patterson, LSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Request from Ana Lucia Brooks:

Ana Lucia Brooks had written the Board requesting to take the Clinical exam prior to earning her 24 months of supervision required by the Rules. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to deny the request. Shani Patterson, LSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Review FY22 Financial Report:

Prior to the Board meeting, Director Bain emailed all Board Members a copy of the FY22 Financial Report along with all the supporting documents, for their review. Kirstin Agar, LCSW, made a motion to approve the report as presented. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Review FY22 Annual Report:

Prior to the Board meeting, Director Bain emailed all Board Members a copy of the FY22 Annual Report for their review. Shani Patterson, LSW, made a motion to approve the report as presented. Kirstin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Review of Standing Financial Reports:

Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, Revenue Reconciliation Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, Refund Report and Trial Balance Reports. These reports were from June 2022. Shani Patterson, LSW, made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Kristin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Applications:

Kirstin Agar, LCSW, made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

LSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to Take the Exam:

Stephanie Bankston
Eva Halpenstill
DiJonnaise Pryor

Amanda Boyd
Toni Morgan Lisenbee
Connie Saenz

Shawna Fleming
Kiara Prelow
Erin Wiltse

Approved to take the Exam:

None

Approved for Licensure through Endorsement:

Board Chair Initials TC

None

Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Iliana Aponte Colon	Carolyn Betts-Walker	Ivory Carmichael
Ke'Aira Cohns	Kelsey Conkling	Ajahi Davis
Kristen Dobbs	Lasonia Dozier	Aubrey Mae Franke
Jessica Garcia	Alyssa Guffey	Kelly Krout
Lucero Martinez-Salas	Haley Mayfield	Sarah Presley
William Reeves	Emma Savage	Eileene Sharma
Alysha Stella	Patience Wise	

Approved to take the Exam:

Brandon Boyd	Deniece Byers	Gina Sallee
Madelyn R Turner	Juliane Veach	

Approved for Licensure through Endorsement:

Michael Gerardo	Keelee Holladay	Stephen Jenkins
Dalisa Lusby		

Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Shelby Kay Barnhill	Natalie Bauer	Gonzalo Camp
Aurielle Freeman Webster	Reina Hart	Randall Murray
Candace Rice	Gabrielle Steen	Charles Wright, Jr.

Approved for Licensure through Endorsement:

Diana Beltran	Shannon Boitnott	Renee Gallagher
Elyssa Hnatov	Therese Ruane-Hadden	

Denied or Withdrawn Applications:

None

Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion on applications, which carried.

Action Taken on Renewal Applications:

The Board reviewed 178 applications for license renewal. Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to approve 177 of the renewals. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion, which carried. One renewal is pending clarification.

Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:

The Board reviewed 9 random continuing education audits. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to approve all 9 of the audits. Kirstin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Supervision Plan Reviews:

The Board reviewed 23 supervision plans. Kristin Agar, LCSW, made a motion to show 15 of the supervision plans reviewed. Betty Guhman seconded the motion, which carried. Eight of the Supervision Plans reviewed required clarification.

OTHER BUSINESS:

After discussion, Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, made a motion to allow electronic signatures to be printed on the wall certificates that are issued with new licenses. This will save time in mailing the wall certificate to the social worker and postage as the license and wall certificate can be mailed on one envelope. Kristin Agar, LCSW, seconded the motion, which carried.

There was discussion to allow board staff to approve applications for new license and renewals. Shani Patterson, LSW, made a motion to allow staff to approve new license applications and renewal applications and to have the Board vote on them at the next meeting. Betty Guhman seconded the motion, which carried. Note: Staff is requesting that this item be brought back to the board for reconsideration as this does not expedite the process of licensing or approving renewals, as was intended.

There being no other business, Vorandol Stinyard made a motion to adjourn. Tammy Vaughn, LMSW, seconded the motion, which carried.