



# Arkansas Department of Health

## Social Work Licensing Board

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Renee Mallory, RN, BSN, Secretary of Health

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### BOARD MEETING MINUTES

9/9/2024

10:00 a.m.

#### CALL TO ORDER; READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, September 9, 2024, at the Freeway Medical Bldg., 5800 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Little Rock, AR 72204. Elizabeth Crone, Chair, called the meeting to order and read the Mission Statement.

**Board Members Present:** Elizabeth Crone, LCSW (Chair)  
Susan Reasoner, LCSW (Vice-Chair)  
Anna Cook, LMSW (Secretary)  
Shani Patterson, LSW  
Michael Parker, LCSW

**Board Members Absent:** Betty Guhman

**Board Attorney:** Michael Bynum

**Board Staff:** Kristen Allen, Director

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the August 12, 2024, board meeting were reviewed. Michael Parker made a motion to approve the minutes. Susan Reasoner seconded the motion, which carried.

#### COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT:

**Complaint FY24-27:** Formal hearing. The board approved the Complaint Committee's Recommendation.

**Complaint FY24-30:** Pending

**Complaint FY24-31:** Pending

Social Work Licensing Board  
Review Date: October 14, 2024

Motion by:   
2<sup>nd</sup> by:   
Board Chair: 



**Approved for licensure through endorsement:**

Millicent Fricks  
Mildred Rodriguez

Florence Gibbs  
Malaya Walker

Ashlee McNerney

**Approved to take the exam:**

Pashunette Brazell  
Juliane Veach

Daniel Elliott  
Mahogany Watson-Barnes

Bridget Jones  
La'Key Williams

**LCSW Applications:**

**Approved through endorsement:**

Venessa Bowers  
Shawna Stover  
Bradley Wentz

Joseph Kochelek  
Jeanetta Thomas  
Rachel Young

Katie Resneder  
Gary Turner

**LMSW advancing to LCSW:**

Vicky Baker  
Valisya Coleman  
Aubrey Franke  
Lily Kerr  
Stephanie Porter  
Sierra Stipp

LeCole Barnes  
Pamela Diaz  
Deidre Gray  
Lekita Lee  
Angela Shepherd  
Taylor Tolleson

Sophia Berger  
Caleb Fischer  
Zachary Hale  
Hanaa Madani  
Alysha Stella  
Lori Warhust

**Approved to take the exam:**

Latisha Joseph

**Action Taken on Renewal Applications:**

The board reviewed 176 applications for license renewal. Susan Reasoner made a motion to approve. Anna Cook seconded the motion, which carried.

**Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:**

The board affirmed 10 continuing education audits. Michael Parker made a motion to approve. Susan Reasoner seconded the motion, which carried.

**Action Taken on Supervision Plans:**

The board reviewed 49 supervision plans. Two of the plans required clarification. Shani Patterson made a motion to approve 47 of the supervision plans. Michael Parker seconded the motion, which carried.

Board Chair: 

**Complaint FY24-33:** Pending

**Complaint FY25-01:** Pending

**Complaint FY25-02:** Pending

**Complaint FY25-03:** Pending

**Complaint FY25-04:** Pending

**Complaint FY25-05:** Pending

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Review of Standing Financial Reports:**

Anna Cook reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, Revenue Reconciliation Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, and Trial Balance Report. Michael Parker made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Shani Patterson seconded the motion, which carried.

**Administrative Report on Applications:**

The board reviewed 67 applications. Shani Patterson made a motion to approve the 67 applications Michael Cook seconded the motion, which carried.

**LSW Applications:**

**Provisionally licensed and approved to take the exam:**

Lauren Bland  
Kennedy James

Kenitra Edwards  
Sheyla Mireles

Tara Hervey  
Cassandra Webb

**LMSW Applications:**

**Provisionally licensed and approved to take the exam:**

Melanie Bellew  
Emily Fisher  
Kylie Holmes  
Melody Jones  
Roger Powell  
Esa Samarah Samarsky  
Sarah Stone  
Tramel, Bethanie

Jamiah Chatman  
Sarah Green  
Beth Janda  
Kayla McCoy  
Kasey Quinn  
Vincent Scott  
Shamyra Thompson  
Kelvyn Wimbley

Bresha Collins  
Clara Henderson  
Edgar Jimenez  
Macy Penn  
Monica Robertson  
Laura Shirley  
Ashley Toler

Board chair: 

**Other business:**

The hearing scheduled for this board meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, October 14, 2024.

A licensee requested approval for supervision hours to be accepted due to the board having not received the original plan. The board approved the request after reviewing documentation provided by licensee. Shani Patterson made a motion to approve, which was seconded by Michael Parker, which carried.

Two licensees with requests to approve supervision hours were allowed by the board.

The board chair discussed reviewing the Social Work rules. Sections were divided up between these areas:

Telehealth  
Certificates of Registration  
Supervision  
Code of Ethics  
Unprofessional Conduct

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Board Chair:  \_\_\_\_\_

