

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2010**

**PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order with a quorum of the Board members at 10:02 am in the Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey by the Board's Chair, Ms. Doreen Bobby, MSW, LCSW.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

Doreen J. Bobby, MSW, LCSW, (Chair)  
Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW  
Lorna Hines-Cunningham, MS, LCSW  
Maxine Lisboa, MSW, LSW  
Paul J. St. Onge, Esq  
Kathleen Ellis

**Absent:**

Leonard Altamura, DSW, LCSW  
Henry Acosta, MSW, LSW (Vice-Chair)

**Also attending:**

J. Michael Walker, Executive Director  
Jodi C. Krugman, Deputy Attorney General  
Theresa Brundage, Administrative Staff  
Lucy Chalet, Administrative Staff

**Announcement of Quorum**

The Chair announced that a quorum was present.

The Chair also announced that in accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Newark Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Bergen Record and The Courier Post.

**III. REVIEW OF MINUTES**

No Minutes were prepared for Board's review.

**IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director, J. Michael Walker, informed the Board that applications for licensure for the Social Work Board soon will be available on-line. Dr. Walker also talked to the Board about stream-lining the application process.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Today's session was attended by representatives from New Jersey's Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Mr. Walter Kalman, LSW, Executive Director; Mary Jean Weston, LCSW Assistant Executive Director; Carrie Moore, Student intern in NASW-NJ; Donna Wardell, LCSW, Director of Communications from Rutgers University; Michelle Anderson, Social Worker from NASW-NJ also.

- 1- Mary Jean Weston, MSW, LCSW, addressed the Board concerning the growing problem of social workers being asked for more information by insurance companies than confidentiality regulations allow. She stated that the New Jersey Psychological Association is suing Magellan over this issue. DAG Krugman will go back to the DAGs for Treasury and the Department of Banking and Insurance to discuss the issue again. HIPAA is also an issue in that if a patient signs a release allowing the release of information for reimbursement purposes, does that trump New Jersey law?
2. Walter X. Kalman, MSW, LSW stated that NASW-NJ is willing to offer workshops to schools to help students understand the LSW licensing process and help with the applications. The Board expressed its gratitude for this help.

**VI. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS' CREDENTIALS**

*Upon motion by Ms. Bobby, Seconded by Ms. Ellis the Board approved all Clinical Supervisors' Credentials.*

**VII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE**

*A motion was made by Ms. Maxine Lisboa and seconded by Ms. Lorna Hines-Cunningham to approve the following candidates as qualified in their category based on review of their application documents and in accordance with the Statute and Regulations and subject to renew in the cases of pending criminal history background checks. All in favor of the motion.*

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**LCSW APPLICATIONS:**

**COMPLETED CRIMINAL HISTORY:**

Vivian F. Campbell  
Jason Coveleski  
Amy M. Hankin  
Keri-Ann Ket-Ying  
Amy Miano  
Karen R. Morley  
Sarah J. Romeo  
Sandra Sytsma-Johnson

**PENDING CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK:**

Beatriz M. Barros  
Susan E. Bosakowski  
Nicole K. Chalmers  
Maria D. Dias  
Mary E. Fassnacht  
Keane J. Gardner  
Alexander I. Herzog  
Sherri S. James  
Prudence S. Kelly-Tomaz  
Marc E. Korn  
Melissa D. Lazell  
Lauren N. Luppino  
Andrea D. Meth  
Laura Palermo  
Terrie B. Schmidt-George  
Mariaisabel Suarez Cruz  
Jacqueline Thomas  
Gloria Wyka  
Joyce M. Woll  
Daniella Zolty

**LSW APPLICATIONS:**

**CRIMINAL HISTORY COMPLETED**

Christine L. Brown  
Cherryl L. Evoy  
Maryann T. Frantz

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Evan Jaffe  
Erica L. Mason  
Lorilei Mathisen  
Kristin M. McCormick  
Dennis Norwood  
Ginamarie Ramirez  
Suzanne G. Roscoe  
Peter D. Staller  
Maria M. Wilkes  
Ruth A. Yu  
Elliot S. Zwickler

**CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING**

Amy L. Blaha  
Stephanie A. Crane  
Michah B. Hillis  
Elizabeth H. Laptook  
Daniella A. Luel  
Kristina M. Ricker  
Tina Romano  
Susan M. Saler  
Robin Schneider  
Chana Shoner  
Julia Topol  
Sheila Yigitkurt

**Additions:**

William Cabin  
Englide Cajuste  
Amie I. Doyno  
Jennifer A. Goldin  
Yvelisse Gonzalez

**CSW APPLICATIONS:**

**CRIMINAL HISTORY COMPLETED**

Rekishia L. Beans  
Laura C. Frantz  
Marvella J. Jackson  
Nancy A. Morrell

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Mark G. Salmon  
Damaris Santiago  
Chanel N. Scott  
Marisa V. Silvey  
Anelisa Smith

### **CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING**

Nicole M. Aagaard  
Cheryl W. Akins  
Okechukwu L. Anyanwu  
Alyssa J. Biedermann  
Layren Brinkers  
Erin R. Cooney  
Nancy H. Cowan  
Amany S. Gabrah  
Laura M. Grieco  
Joanne M. Hubert  
Maria Katsos  
Laurey E. Kawalek  
Lisa E. Kozlowski  
Kristen A. Miller  
Adlyn Nelson-Nugent  
Victoria A. Schmidt  
Sharon G. Schwarzopf  
Rasheer A. Shabazz  
Shaheem d. Shabazz  
Patricia H. Severino  
Tatiana Smith  
Jenna Wendolowski  
John R. Wilson

### **VIII. CONTINUING EDUCATION**

*Upon motion made by Maxine Lisboa, seconded by Doreen Bobby, the Board voted to accept all CE hours submitted to the Board.*

#### **A. Problematic CEU's**

1. Morristown Memorial Hospital - "Burn Mass Casualty Incident : A Plan for NJ"- Board member, Paul St. Onge, Esq. was recused from this issue. the Board reviewed the program submitted and *upon motion made by Dr. Apgar, seconded by Ms. Bobby, the Board voted to approve the program but not to fulfill the clinical requirement. Voting in favor of the motion: All.*

- 2- PHS, Senior Living of New Jersey- "Mock Survey Training" - The Board reviewed this course and *upon motion made by Ms. Maxine Lisboa, seconded by Doreen Bobby the Board voted to deny this program for CE credit. Voting in favor of the motion: All.*

**B. Vote on Recommendation.**

**IX. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1- Letter from the New Jersey Foundation for Aging- New Law to Protect Vulnerable Seniors. *The Board reviewed this information and received as informational.*
- 2- Memo from Maureen Braun Scalera regarding DCBHS confidentiality issues. *This issue was tabled to the next meeting.*
3. A copy of frequently asked questions for Social Work Licensure in NJ was offered by Carrie Moore, NASW-NJ Intern- the Board reviewed this draft and *upon motion made by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Ms. Bobby the Board voted for DAG Jodi Krugman and Director Walker to meet with Ms. Moore so that corrections can be made. Voting in favor of the motion: All.*
4. Legislative Affairs, report to the Social Work Examiners Board for the fourth quarter, October 1, 2009- January 19, 2010. *The Board reviewed this information and received it as informational.*
5. Legislative Affairs, report to the Social Work Examiners Board. *The Board reviewed this information and received it as informational.*
6. Memo from Darlene Kane, Budget Officer- Budget Report (1<sup>st</sup> half of year 2010). *The Board reviewed this information and received as informational.*

**X. MEETING DATES FOR 2010**

03/24/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
04/28/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
05/26/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
06/23/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
07/28/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
08/25/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
09/22/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
10/27/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
11/17/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL  
12/15/2010- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Public session concluded at 11:15 am. The Board re-entered public session at 2:50 p.m. to adjourn the

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meeting by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

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Doreen J. Bobby, MSW, LCSW  
Chair