

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey by Chair Dr. Dawn Hall Apgar.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW (Chair)
Maureen Braun Scalera, MSW, LCSW (Vice-Chair)
Paul J. St. Onge, Esq. (arrived 10:33am)
Michelle Borden, MSW, LCSW, CSWM, DRCC
Deanna Sperling, MS, RN (arrived 10:13am)
Patricia McKernan, MSW, LSW
Philip McCabe, CSW, CAS, CDVC, DRCC

Absent:

Elizabeth Manley, MSW, LSW
Lisa Eileen Cox, Ph.D., LCSW
Carolyn Bradley, Ph.D., LCSW, LMFT, LCADC

Also attending:

Jodi Krugman, Deputy Attorney General
J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
ToniAnn Petrella-Diaz, Government Rep
Theresa Brundage, Administrative Staff
Celeste Paige, Administrative Staff

Announcement of Quorum

Chair Dr. Apgar announced that a quorum did not exist at 9:36 a.m. and that the Board began working in Committee. Chair Dr. Apgar announced the presence of a quorum at 10:13 a.m after the arrival of Board member, Deanna Sperling.

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 Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and The Courier Post.

III. REVIEW OF MINUTES

A. March 11, 2015 Public Session Minutes

Upon motion by Ms. Bordan, seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera, the Board voted to approve the March 11, 2015 minutes as presented. Voting in favor: all.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

No news to report.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Mary Jean Weston, LCSW, Associate Executive Director, NASW-NJ -

Ms. Weston came before the Board to discuss that the NASW -NJ will have input regarding revisions to the regulations at the June 2015 meeting. She will send a list of comments and topics to be discussed ahead of time.

B. Peter Treitler, MSW Student at Rutgers

Came to introduce himself to the Board and to inform them of that he will be forwarding his application to them promptly after graduation.

C. Autumn Joy Stillbirth Research and Dignity Act

Scott Owens HSS Department of Health
Gene Brenycz Regulatory Officer Department of Health
Addressed the Board looking for guidance.

D. Lynn Pastor, LCSW, LCADC; NASW Ethics Committee

Attended public session meeting but did not comment.

VI. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS' CREDENTIALS

A. Jessica Rich, LSW

Needs to provide more information for approval. A current job description and updated resume.

B. Talia Becker-Cohen

C. All others listed are approved for supervision by the Board.

Upon motion by Ms. Braun Scalera, seconded by Ms. Borden, the Board voted to

approve the supervisors as presented with the exception of two (2) applicants in which the Board voted to request additional documentation from. Voting in favor: all.

VII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE

*Upon motion made by Ms. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Borden, the Board voted 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 review in the cases of pending criminal history background checks.
Voting in favor: all.*

LCSW APPLICATIONS:

Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:

Sarah E. Best
Jacqueline M. Eletto
Rachel L. Ford
Jared S. Gorsky
Lakesha N. Israel
Dawn L. Kilkenny
Sarah Kim
Sooyoun Kim Han
Theresa Moran
Brittany L. Peery
Zaklina Rajkovska
Rebecca L. Rosenau
Sandra A. Scott
Michael J. Vaillancourt
Claire G. Valli
Ruth E. Viera
Rachel M. Villavicencio

Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:

Vladimir J. Christophe
Beth DuVall
Lateasha B. Grant-Mack
William A. Heath
Margaret Huettenmoser

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Michele D. Inzelbuch
Martha Jimenez
Alyson M. Kaplan
Danielle N. Lambert
Jennifer M. Levine
Marilucy N. Lopes
Diana Mendez
Janis A. Powell
Bridget Schirripa
Ryan W. Schmidt
Dana M. Spitz
Alana H. Stamper-Gimbar
Marie Weigel
Shoshana H. Weinman
Leslie R. Young

LSW APPLICATIONS:
Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:

April Bateman
Alexandra Eliopoulos
Jodi H. Feldman
Alyssa D. Friedman
Grazynak Gawryluk
Elisheva Gottlieb
Nadine Hajmohmed
Sarah E. Hall
Estela Hernandez
Miyosh Jones-Acevedo
Elizabeth S. Kelly
Pamela A. Loving
Brianne Meade
Kristin A. Mills
Areefah Saheb
Rebecca Schwartz
Chism J. Shovaughn
Patrick Sweeney
Patience M. Umoh
Jodi Wheeler

Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:

Florencia B. Allegretti
Abigail K. Anderson
Jacqueline M. Ansbrow
Amanda F. Arroyo
Emily A. Barone
Danielle S. Bleeck
Michael Bleicher
Jennifer D. Boyd
Aisha J. Brady
Tova E. Brody
Amy L. Burns
Jeffrey Chang
James M. Christine
Morgan L. Clark
Tiana Crowley
Jennifer J. Davis
Laura M. Dyott
Rana Elsayed
Meghan J. Farrell
Elisheva E. Gibson
Donna Gilklich-Karp
Brian H. Hagerty
Many Hernandez
Tierrah S. Howard
Olatilewa I. Ifesanya
Carly D. Kurica
Ari Mastro
Nicole Maura
Candice Mayers
Samantha C. McMahon
Joseph M. Mendola
Kaitlin E. Mitchell
Gabreila L. Nieves
Elizabeth S. Pascal
Ateaya T. Pearson-Jones
Dennis J. Petrusovich
Susan Schonfeld
Ekta S. Shah
Krystal L. Sieradzki
Lauren R. Snedeker
Chane R. Sternberg

Emily Z. Taragin
Erin E. Thompson
Cee Zee Torres
Candila V. Wiltshire
Lauren Wolf
Michael J. Wolf
Young Jae Yi
Lauren M. Zayas

**CSW APPLICATIONS:
Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:**

Christina J. Chen
Jamiaya C. A. Johnson
LaShea S. Johnson
Janice U. Shako
Tammy S. Warowitz
Tiar Williams
Eva I. Zupan

Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:

Audrey P. Ayers
Sheila R. Casimir
Luis F. Del Orbe
Paulette L. Goode
Pamela Gray-Sheppard
Maria C. Jones-Reese
Christabel I. Kifordu
Margaret L. Lawson
Alyssa R. Martinez
Kelvin O. Ojomoh
Sheandar V. Peterkin
Quasonna S. Redd
Isabel Rivera
Allison C. Shubert

Jennifer M. Sobolewski
Melissa A. Stables

VIII. CONTINUING EDUCATION

A. Continuing Education (CE's) Review

None to review.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Assembly, No. 4309

Transfers Division of Mental Health Advocacy to DHS; re-titles director as Mental Health Advocate; provides diversion for mental health treatment for persons subject to prosecution in municipal court; appropriates \$15,000,000.

Dawn Apgar was recused from discussion.

The Board accepted this as informational.

B. I/M/O Edward Jankowski, LCSW-

The Board reviewed Mr. Jankowski's progress report regarding consent order from supervisor Judith Lagani, LCSW. Mr. Jankowski received a consent order in 2013 after he engaged in a social relationship with a client. The Board would like Ms. Lagani to be more specific in her progress report speaking directly to the provisions made in the consent order.

Upon motion by Ms. Braun Scalera, seconded by Ms. McKernan, the Board voted to accept this. Voting in favor: all.

C. I/M/O Gregory C. Potter, LSW-

The Board reviewed Mr. Potter's progress report regarding his consent order from supervisor Donna Gapas, LCSW. The Board needed more information from Ms. Gapas. She will be asked to provide more detail regarding his learning process, professional

development, how does he respond to supervision and any recommendations. She will be asked to comment on his critical thinking, problem solving and level of self-awareness when working with people similar to his own situation.

*Upon motion by Ms. Braun Scalera, seconded by Ms. Borden, the Board voted to accept this.
Voting in favor: all.*

D. Open Examination Pass Rates from ASWB -FYI -

E. Model Regulatory Standards for Technology and Social Work Practice from ASWB- FYI-

XI. MEETING DATES FOR 2015

please note: all meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m.

May 13, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

June 10, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

July 8, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

August 12, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

September 9, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

October 14, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

November 18, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

December 9, 2015 - Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Public session closed at 10:45 a.m. and the Board moved to executive session upon motion by Ms. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Borden. The Board re-entered public session at p.m. to adjourn the meeting by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW
Chair

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