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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The meeting was called to order at 9:41 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey by Board Chair Maureen Braun Scalera.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Maureen Braun Scalera, MSW, LCSW (Chair) Elizabeth Manley, MSW, LSW (Vice-Chair) Paul J. St. Onge, Esq. Patricia McKernan, MSW, LSW Philip McCabe, CSW, CAS, CDVC, DRCC Roxanne Kennedy, MSW, LCSW

Absent:

Lisa Cox, Ph.D., LCSW Deanna Sperling, MS, RN Michelle Borden, MSW, LCSW, CSWM, DRCC

Also attending:

Jodi Krugman, Deputy Attorney General J. Michael Walker, Executive Director Davia Kamleh, Support Staff

Announcement of Quorum

Board Chair Maureen Braun Scalera announced the presence of a quorum at 9:51 a.m.

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

The Board reviewed the March 8, 2017 public minutes.

Upon motion made by Mr. St. Onge, and seconded by Ms. Manley, the Board voted to approve the March 8, 2017 minutes as presented. Voting in favor: all.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Walker introduced Davia Kamleh the new temporary staff.

Dr. Walker announced that Dr. Cox is ill and unable to attend this month. She hopes to be with us for the May meeting.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following members of the public were present:

Mary Jean Weston, LCSW, Associate Executive Director, NASW-NJ raised a question regarding the current employment page on the LCSW application and who should sign as supervisor, the administrative supervisor or the clinical supervisor. The Board determined that the direct administrative supervisor should sign that page.

Karun Singh, Professor Rutgers School of Social Work was present but did not comment.

<u>Trinay Thomas, LCSW, Associate Director of Field Education, Rutgers School of Social</u> Work-Newark was present but did not comment.

Anthony Gallo, NASW-NJ Intern, was present but did not comment.

VI. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS' CREDENTIALS

None

VII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE

Upon motion made by Ms. Manley and seconded by Ms. Kennedy, the Board approved all of the following candidates as qualified for LCSW, LSW, and CSW 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:

COMPLETED CRIMINAL HISTORY:

Mary-Rose Belostrino

Dawn Bermudez

Rolando Burgos

Jessica Burstein

Kaitlin Ecke

Rochelle Glatter

Sonia C. Illescas

Stephanie M. Leifer

PENDING CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK:

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Nicole P. Berezny

Mario Dartayet-Rodriguez

Vincent J. Fitzgerald

Anne E. Gaglianese

Lauren N Genarelli

Kathleen McCarty

Chloe A. Rudic

Farishta Samimy

Natalie Santos

Rebecca E. Siegel

Tara L. Sym

LSW APPLICATIONS

CRIMINAL HISTORY COMPLETED

| Alvarez-Crawley | <u>Shanita</u> | J. |
|-----------------|----------------|----|
| Davis | Felicia | J. |
| Engaish | Sarah | M. |
| Esendir | Stephanie | A. |
| Fowler | Lee | |
| Friedman | Aaron | |
| Fung | Stephanie | M. |
| Grier | Sherrell | |
| Katz | Deborah | |
| Kristen | Monica | N. |
| Lebiedziewicz | Michele | C. |
| Lieberman | Connie | L. |
| Lopez-Arneas | Elizabeth | |
| Mangarelli | Rafanny | M. |
| McGinley | Ryan | |
| Pagliaccetti | Alyssa | K. |
| Pirrello | Nicole | E. |
| Reich | Brooke | G. |
| Silva | Emerson | D |
| Valencia | Allen | J. |

CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING

| Bennett | <u>Jamie</u> | <u>F.</u> |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Brooks | Sharina | L. |
| Calafiore | Christine | M. |
| Delman | Ariel | M. |
| Domond | Yves | |

Dunn Michelle L.

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| Dyckman | Dvora | |
|------------|------------|----|
| Fernandez | Johan | H. |
| Fan | Linlin | |
| Flores | Claudia | M. |
| Fryar | Artesia | L. |
| Glenn | Emalyn | L. |
| Hetrick | Sara | H. |
| Huggins | Jessica | A. |
| Kiple | Toni | M. |
| Kyei | Agyaaku | F. |
| Lee | Jennifer | |
| Lovelace | Shakira | Z. |
| Luciano | Eileen | |
| Luther | Alexandra | C. |
| Nestorovic | Jovana | |
| Rayment | Deanna | M. |
| Ricci | Janet | A. |
| Rivrea | Krystal | |
| Rodriguez | Kyle | M. |
| Russell | Michelle | L. |
| Shea | Mary Ellen | R. |
| Taffet | Joshua | E. |
| Whitehead | Vanessa | A. |

CSW- CRIMINAL HISTORY COMPLETE

Angeles, Madeleine
Aparicio, Perla
Bangel, Jessica
Coltrain, Shelley
Copeland, Betty
Dudley, Sarah
Frunzi, Colleen
Gregory, Savannah
Joseph-Williams, Natasha
Menichini, Ashley
Saccento, Meaghan
Swift, Lakeshia

VIII. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

1. <u>Letter from Mary Jo Monahan, MSW, LCSW, CEO of ASWB</u>

Ms. Monahan provided the 2016 Examination pass rates. The Board accepted this as informational. Ms. Weston and Ms. Thomas requested copies.

2. <u>Letter from Patricia Packard concerning her Consent Order</u>

The Board reviewed a letter from Ms. Packard concerning CEUs, supervision reports and the next steps she would need to complete to fulfil the terms of her Consent Order.

The Board reviewed the letter and on motion by Ms. Manley, seconded by Ms. McKernan, voted to confirm that the supervision requirement is for eighteen months with a final report from her supervisor and therapist at the conclusion of supervision in December 2017 with a recommendation regarding independent practice and proof of compliance with the course work requirements before independent practice can resume with any limitations that the Board deems necessary.

3. <u>Letter from Trisha M. Stewart, Clinical Director of Safe and Sound, Somerset</u>

The Board reviewed a letter from Ms. Steward informing the Board that the agency has received a grant to implement Trauma Focussed Cognitive Behavioral Therapy.

Upon motion by Ms. Manley seconded by Ms. McKernan, the Board voted to ask for further clarification as to whom actually serves as supervisor for social work employees, she will also be informed that anyone accruing hours for LCSW licensure has to be supervised by a LCSW who is qualified to supervise.

4. Reponse from Shannon Miller, LSW, re: Lauren Repice

The item was moved to the executive agenda.

IX. <u>LEGISLATIVE REVIEW</u>

Substitute for Senate Nos. 291, 652 and 1954

The bill allows providers to practice telehealth and requires those providing telehealth services to patients in New Jersey to be licensed in New Jersey. The Bill is still pending. There is a question concerning accruing hours which the regulations require to be face-to-face client contact. This version of the bill does not allow therapy by email, text, fax or telephone. Only video transmission.

X. <u>DISCIPLINARY MATTERS</u>

1. <u>I/M/O Meshulem M. Epstein, LSW</u>

The Board reviewed a progress report from Mr. Epstein's supervisor Yosef Gurevitch, MSW, LCSW. The matter was moved to the executive agenda.

XII. REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

No items to review.

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XIII. MEETING DATES FOR 2017

May 10, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room June 14, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room July 12, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room August 9, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room September 13, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room October 11, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room November 8, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room December 13, 2017 - Hudson Conference Room

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Public session closed at 10.47 a.m. and the Board moved to executive session upon motion by Ms. McKernan, seconded by Ms. Sperling. The Board re-entered public session at 3:52 p.m. upon motion made by Ms. Borden, and seconded by Mr. St. Onge, to adjourn the meeting by unanimous consent.

| R | despectfully submitted, |
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| | Maureen Braun Scalera, MSW, LCSW |