

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2011**

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order with a quorum of the Board members at 10:30 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th 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
Paul J. St. Onge, Esq
Leonard Altamura, DSW, LCSW (Vice Chair)
Lorna Hines-Cunningham, MS, LCSW

Absent:

Kathleen Ellis
Maxine Lisboa, MSW, LSW

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 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 presented to the Board at this meeting due to medical leave of the Executive Director.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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Executive Director, J. Michael Walker, informed the Board that the Board has received graduate lists from the social work programs at Rutgers University, Monmouth University and Richard Stockton College. Unfortunately the list from Richard Stockton College bore neither the seal or notarization and was returned as unacceptable.

Dr. Walker also stated that the Board will could use the lists to pre-approve applicants for the masters level exam. *Upon motion by Dr. Apgar, seconded by Paul St. Onge, the Board voted to use graduate lists for masters level exam pre-approval as well.*

Dr. Walker also suggested eliminating the wait time for LCSW licenses and CSW certificates by allowing the staff to approve non-problematic applications for licensure as they do now with LSWs. The Board will re-visit this matter in June.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was attended by Ms. Mary Jean Weston, LCSW, Assistant Executive Director (NASW-NJ) and Mr. Sean Gilligan as an intern from NASW.

- 1- Ms. Mary Jean Weston- Ms. Weston introduced Mr. Sean Gilligan, an intern working with the NASW-NJ.

Ms. Weston also thanked the Board for smoothing the process of licensure for the applicant and she asked when the updated regulations will be posted. DAG Krugman informed her that it is been reviewed and we hoping soon.

VI. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS' CREDENTIALS

Upon motion made by Dr. Altamura, seconded by Ms. Bobby, the Board voted to approve all supervisors' credentials submitted.

VII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE

A motion made by Ms. Doreen Bobby, seconded by Dr. Leonard Altamura, 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 renew in the cases of pending criminal history background checks. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

LCSW APPLICATIONS:

COMPLETED CRIMINAL HISTORY:

Yemisi T. Abiona

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Seon Ah Ahn
Lee L. Fischler
Janet F. Gibbs
Elizabeth J. Greenlee
Jeffrey P. Hanna
Jessica W. Kasevich
Michelle Lipchock
Jasmen S. Mantashian
Katelyn M. Rubert
Hope B. Salmansohn
Sandra E. VanNest
Karleen A. Yapp

PENDING CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK:

Rebecca K. Aspray
Maria Balice
Irina Bronstein
Victoria A. Coppolecchia
Jennifer A. Gurevich
Sienna N. Hunter-Cuyjet
Michael P. McCann
Cara L. McCloud
Emily L. Nichols
Teresa A. Larkin
Cheri L. Larson
Jennifer A. Palmersheim
Kalpana J. Parekh
Kerry A. Plokhoy
Jeremy A. Sacher
Risa L. Simpson-Davis
Evelyn Sommer-Padilla
Katherine Stevko
Tara M. Virgilio
Emily I. Yang
Jennifer M. Yorks

LSW APPLICATIONS:

CRIMINAL HISTORY COMPLETED

Borde, Racine A.
Clark, Johanna D.

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Couce, Kristen M.
Cross, Marybeth
De La Cruz, Elizabeth A.
Feather, Jennifer M.
Frank, Jonathan B.
Gallimore, Kelly A.
Gilbert, Karen E.
Glass, Brian A.
Greenstein, Lawrence S.
Hanfling, Mallory K.
Imhoff, Barbara L.
Innocent, Mollie A.
Jemal, Alexis D.
Lazar, Moishe
Ledger, Christine V.
Levitt, Heather B.
Masi, Stephani L.
McGuire, Maurene L.
Moore, Patience
Murugan, Vithya
Noble, Leah C.
Norman, Moshe
Ozolins, Katie A.
Pitt, Emily K.
Prizel, Peter A.
Qualliu, Kimery X.
Rotberg, Moshe
Sarkis, Suzzane A
Seymore, Larissa
Simmonds, Alyssa L.
Spirito, Kimberly A.
Stapleton, Ritamarie
Strazivuk, Jelena
White, Denis E.

CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING

Amick, Randy C.
Becker, David
Bishop, Kaydeen T.
Briener, Dalia
Bryant, Natasha A.
Habeeb, Jennifer L.

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Hirsch, Lauren
Koehler, Leslie K.
Larris, Lindsay G.
Lecerf, Ines V.
Mineroff, Sharon A.
O'Donnell, Elizabeth N.
Raoul, Linda
Sherr, Mallerie D.
Taal, Cosku
Weinrich, Luise K.
Williams, Sarah R.
Wilson, Daniel J.
Joel K. Aronowitz
Kacia M. Kriener
Kate C. McLean
CSW APPLICATIONS:

CRIMINAL HISTORY COMPLETED

Charles L. Kluesner
Rosa L. Maldonado
Laura A. Sachetti
Trinh D. Thai

CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING

El-Shabazz U. Abdullah
Lola L. Crosby
Judy Z. Dixon
Kristin J. Dykhouse
Carleen N. Evans
Karla A. Flores
Lauren M. Grassi
Erica L. Holmes
Deborah M. Innocenti
Tracie A. Koehnlein
Mary Ellen Pannone
Janet K. Porter
Suzanne J. Riccardelli
Joan D. Supria
Marilu F. Velasquez
Dana M. Walsh
Rebeca M. Zapaterio

VIII. CONTINUING EDUCATION

Upon motion made by Ms. Hines-Cunningham, seconded by Dr. Altamura, the Board voted to accept all CE courses submitted to the Board. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

B. Vote on Recommendation.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

Board member, Dr. Dawn Apgar presented to the Board a paper she wrote and presented on May 15, 2011 at the ASWB's spring meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia as part of a session entitled, "The Secret Life of the Licensee: Testing and Licensure". The paper resulted from a grant that she received for the research. She asked the Board if they would like to copy this booklet and put it on next month's agenda so the Board can review it and discuss it. She was told yes by the Board's Chair, Ms. Doreen Bobby, the rest of the Board members would like to review it and talk about it in the next meeting.

X. MEETING DATES FOR 2011

June 15, 2011- Hudson Conference Room
July 27, 2011- Hudson Conference Room
August 24, 2011- Hudson Conference Room
September 28, 2011- Hudson Conference Room
October 26, 2011- Hudson Conference Room
November 16, 2011- Hudson Conference Room
December 21, 2011- Hudson Conference Room

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Public session closed at 11:00 a.m. and the Board moved to executive session. The Board re-entered public session at 5:25 p.m. to adjourn the meeting by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Doreen J. Bobby, MSW, LCSW
Chair

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