NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 9:30 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)
Michelle Borden, MSW, LCSW, CSWM, DRCC
Elizabeth Bowman, MSS, LCSW
Carolyn Bradley, Ph.D., LCSW, LMFT, LCADC

Absent:
Paul J. St. Onge, Esq.

Also attending:
Jodi Krugman, Deputy Attorney General
J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
Michela Ross, Government Rep
Theresa Brundage, Administrative Staff

Announcement of Quorum
Chair Dr. Dawn Hall Apgar announced that quorum existed for the meeting at 9:32 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
Ms. Braun Scalara moved that the public minutes of the January 8, 2014 meeting be approved as presented Dr. Bradley seconded. Voting in favor: all.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Executive Director, J. Michael Walker presented the Board with the HIPAA regulations for review. Upon motion by Dr. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera, the Board voted to contact its regulatory analyst to start the process to revise the regulations regarding release of records to mirror HIPPA regulations.
V. PUBLIC COMMENT
Members of the Public in attendance:
A. Mary Jean Weston, Assistant Executive Director, NASW-NJ - informed the Board that a letter concerning continuing education approval was sent to a list of previous providers.

VI. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS’ CREDENTIALS
All supervisors were approved except for one because the applicant is required to provide additional information concerning recent work experience.

VII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE
Upon motion made by Ms. Bowman, seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera, 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:
Samantha J. Hill
Young H. Kang
Patricia Lissade
Phillip Mirell
Wendy Moluf
Ariana M. Pena
Donna L. Ray
Daniel Ribet
Nataliya Rusetskaya
Diana L. Siwek
Susan C. Taylor
Tara Thomas
Kelly Winters

Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:
Noemie Amoyelle
Jane B. Appel
Mindy Blumenfeld
Mary B. Botts
Naveena David
Judith A. Deblasio
Estephany Diaz
Allison Flynn
LSW APPLICATIONS:

Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:
Katherine A. Blanchard
Brian M. Glaser
Karen S. Lerman
Claudia P. Mosquera
Dounia Rabi
Dipu V. Raju
Jammal E. Ryan
Julie A. Wolfson

Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:
Tamsen A. Adams-Gallagher
Loretta Blacknell
Jennifer A. Bularuitan
Kenneth D. Carson
Gabriela C. Celeiro
Laura Cintron
CSW APPLICATIONS:
Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:
Lisa M. Giordano
Daniel Grossano
Tanya M. Kahl
Elizabeth A. Schellhammer
Noemi Santana-Velez

Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:
Christine E. Aylett
Olivia R. Barrick
Marcia M. Bristol
Toni M. Cohen
VIII. CONTINUING EDUCATION

A. Vote on recommendation

Upon motion by Dr. Bradley, seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera, the Board voted to accept the following presented CE courses: “Using Action Methods in Individual Counseling;” NJ Pediatric Council on Research: “Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect;” Catholic Charities: “Abuse Later in Life,” “Borderline Personality Disorder,” “Emotional Negotiation or Getting to Yes,” and “Ethical and Legal Issues II;” Deirdre’s House: “Self Injurious Behavior in Adolescents and Young Adults;” VIP Community Services: “Effective Approaches to Suicide Prevention;” Mt. Laurel Center for the Family, Inc: “Training for Culture Sensitivity: The Orthodox Jewish Client;” Children’s Aid and Family Services, Inc: Enhancing Youth and Family Engagement in Youth with Sexual Behavior;” Trinitas Regional Medical Center: “There is No Pill for that; Behavior approaches in Long Term Care;”

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Assembly No. 1545, adopted regarding law concerning certain professional and occupational licenses

The Board accepted this as informational.

B. Governor Christie signs legislation from the 215th Legislative session

The Board reviewed the Bills signed into law by Governor Christie from the 215th Legislative session.

The Board accepted this as informational.

C. Angela Boyd, LCSW - The Board reviewed Ms. Boyd’s January 24, 2014 email inquiring if LCSW’s are permitted to be trained in and conduct Cognitive
Rehabilitation Therapy under the supervision of a certified neuropsychologist. *The Board determined it needs more information including: 1) what does she mean by a “certified” neuropsychologist since the Board of Psychological Examiners does not have sub-specialities; 2) who is her supervisor; 3) what credentials does the supervisor hold; 4) a copy of the supervisor’s resume and job description; 5) what type of training is she specifically referring to?*

X. MEETING DATES FOR 2014

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

- March 12, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- April 9, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- May 14, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- June 4, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- July 9, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- August 13, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- September 10, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- October 8, 2014- Monmouth Conference Room, 6th FL
- November 12, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL
- December 10, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6th FL

*The Board determined to explore if a room was available June 6, 2014 in order to move the June 2014 meeting to that date.*

XI. ADJOURNMENT

*Public session closed at 10:44 a.m. and the Board moved to executive session upon motion by Ms. Bowman, seconded by Dr. Bradley. The Board re-entered public session at 1:55 p.m. to adjourn the meeting by unanimous consent.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW
Chair