

APRPROVED MINUTES

STATE BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS

Tuesday, August 11, 2009

Second Floor Conference Room

3218 Pringle Road SE – Salem, OR 97302

Board Members Present: Becky Rasmussen, Chair
Cheryl Price, Vice-Chair
Mark Oldham
Simone Brooks
Sara Dehaan
Mark Troseth

Board Members Absent: Carol Copley Zancanella (excused)

Board Counsel present: Kyle Martin, AAG, Oregon Dept. of Justice

Staff Members Present: Martin Pittioni
Sancha Alley
Pam Johansen

Guests: Lora Carson, DAS-SCD (from 2:05 p.m. until 2:25 p.m.)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rasmussen called the Board Meeting to order at 12:11 p.m. and noted that Board member Zancanella was excused.

2. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dehaan moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Brooks seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No draft minutes were presented for Board approval.

4. MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Oldham moved to enter executive session to conduct board business under the authority of ORS 192.660(2)(b)(f)(h)(i)(k). Brooks seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The Board entered executive session at 12:15 p.m.

Price moved to exit executive session. Dehaan seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The Board re-entered public session at 1:55 p.m.

Chair Rasmussen recessed the Board meeting for 10 minutes until 2:05 p.m.

6. BUDGET UPDATE

Chair Rasmussen reconvened the Board after its 10 minute break. Staff members Johansen and Alley joined the Board meeting. Rasmussen introduced guest Lora Carson and asked consent of the Board to temporarily move to the Budget Update item of the agenda so that Ms. Carson could give her report. There were no objections. Rasmussen asked Carson to report. Carson reviewed the Board's generally healthy financial position for the biennium ending June 30, 2009 and answered questions by Board members. Rasmussen thanked Carson for her presentation.

Oldham added that the Board materials included State Controller's Gold Star Certificate for fiscal year 2008 for accurate and timely fiscal year-end information. Pittioni added that this was really primarily an accomplishment by Lora Carson, the Board's CAFR accountant, and reflected the ongoing excellent support of the Board by the Shared Client Services unit of the State Controller's Division. Board members thanked Carson for her work in support of the Board.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Rasmussen requested reports from the committees.

Oldham advised that the Board's Impaired Professional's Committee had no report for public session.

Rasmussen requested the report from the Consumer Protection Committee. Oldham moved to adopt the Stipulated Interim Order in case 2009-29. Price seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Oldham reported that the Board's Continuing Education Committee had received a request from the Washington Society of Clinical Social Workers to become a Board-recognized and -approved continuing education credentialing body. Oldham advised that the CE committee had reviewed the application and determined that in its view it met the requirements in OAR 877-025-0006(1)(c). Oldham added that if approved by the Board continuing education offerings of the Washington Society of Clinical Social Workers would be accepted by the Board. Oldham moved to approve the application of the Washington Society of Clinical Social Workers to become a Board-recognized and -approved continuing education credentialing body. Dehaan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Oldham advised that the CE committee had no recommendations to deny CE for consideration by the Board Meeting Minutes for August 11, 2009

Board.

Chair Rasmussen advised that the Board's Senate Bill 177 Implementation Committee would meet at 9 a.m. on August 21, 2009, to begin its implementation work.

7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Oldham moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Brooks seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

9. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT/ BUDGET UPDATE

Pittioni reported on the recent media coverage regarding the Governor's plans for agency and commission consolidation or elimination. Pittioni advised that there had been no communication by the Governor's Office to the Board on this topic.

Pittioni briefly discussed developments regarding the implementation of House Bill 2345. Pittioni advised that a meeting had been scheduled on August 24, 2009 with several Boards and DHS to kick off implementation planning and identify key issues. Chair Rasmussen indicated that she intended to ask the Board to make a decision quickly regarding the Board's participation in the DHS run HB 2345 impairment program when it begins operation on July 1, 2010.

Pittioni reported that planning at the staff level was taking place to deal with the combination of staff absences, realizing operational efficiencies such as on-line renewals, and the impact of some version of likely mandatory staff furloughs and mandated agency closure days. Pittioni stated he thought it likely that he could report a final version of what type of furlough regime and agency closure days would have to be implemented by the next Board meeting.

9. OLD BUSINESS

Board members reviewed the Board draft roster. Troseth, Dehaan and Oldham advised of necessary edits. Rasmussen requested that corrected versions be distributed at the next meeting.

Rasmussen advised that the draft Board committee assignments for 2009-10 were final as drafted, with only one change. Rasmussen clarified that historically the Personnel Committee was staffed by the Board Chair and Vice-Chair, and that as such Price was be added to the Personnel Committee and Oldham removed.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Rasmussen discussed with board members the challenge of Senate Bill 177 implementation. She reiterated the need for the implementation committee to begin its work, with its first meeting now scheduled for August 21. Rasmussen added that there is no shortage of high-level issues to discuss, including for example creating a pathway of transitioning from a non-clinical LMSWs transitioning to clinical LCSW licensure.

Rasmussen then reviewed with the Board the challenge of answering communication at the Board and staff level requesting guidance as to what specific activities would be considered clinical work, and thus ultimately require licensure as of 2011, and which activities would be considered non-clinical and thus not require licensure. Pittioni pointed the Board to a hand-out of his e-mail exchange with Mr. Tim Stephanos of Roseburg dated August 4, 2009, as an example, where Mr. Stephanos had requested guidance as to what activities would be considered clinical under Senate Bill 177 in a health care setting. Board members discussed the matter and determined that at this time the only response that is possible is to share such correspondence with the Board on an on-going basis, and to respond that the Board is in the process of developing rules on the matter.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

The e-mail correspondence of Mr. Tim Stephanos of Roseburg dated August 4, 2009 was incorporated in the New Business before the Board.

12. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION ON APPLICANT FILES AND SPECIAL REVIEWS

The Board discussed the matter of Stephanie Newcomer, who requested to return to active licensure status after 6 years inactive status. Pittioni clarified that Ms. Newcomer had gone inactive due to inability to meet CE requirements of the Board, and lack of need for a clinical license due to her employment as a principal in Portland Public Schools. Pittioni added that Ms. Newcomer now desires upon her retirement to return to clinical practice, and had not submitted any CEs with her request. Price moved that pursuant to OAR 877-020-0055 Ms. Newcomer be required to submit 40 hours of CE, pass the Oregon test and to submit a plan for supervision, prior to Board consideration of returning her license to active status. Brooks seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Board members discussed the need to fix OAR 877-020-0055's notion of supervised practice under a plan prior to return to active status as this directly contradicts the prohibition to practice clinical social work with an inactive license. Board members agreed that any such supervised practice would have to take place after the return to active status, and that the rule thus had to be amended accordingly at the next opportunity.

Pittioni then discussed with Board members the matter of Kimberly Wasserman, another request to return to active licensure status, in this case after 7 years of inactive status. Pittioni pointed out that this request to return to active status was markedly different from the previous matter discussed by the Board. Pittioni clarified that Ms. Wasserman had fully kept up her CE requirements at all times on a voluntary basis as if she had been actively licensed, and was continually engaged in the clinical

practice of social work in Wisconsin during her inactive status period in Oregon. Board members discussed the matter and determined that only the fixed requirement of OAR 877-020-0055(4), passage of the Oregon exam, be applied as a condition on her return to active status. Brooks moved to permit return to active status of Ms. Kimberly Wasserman on condition of passing the Oregon examination, pursuant to the provision of OAR 877-020-0055(4). Price seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Board members then discussed the matter of Tamara Poe, who requested permission to sit for the ASWB exam a third time. Oldham moved to permit Ms. Poe to sit for the exam. Brooks seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

Chair Rasmussen adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Martin Pittion".

Martin Pittion
Executive Director

**State Board of Clinical Social Workers
Consent Agenda as Amended
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LCSW New Applications (12)

BRYNNE BONNEAU-HICKS
TRACI CHENETTE
ELIZABETH DOWNS
JAYOTTA FEIMOEFIAFI
JANE GODFREY
LISA JO HUBBARD
JAIMIE LEE
JOHN MC CORMICK
CAREY ROGERS
JEFFERY E. SNEDDON
TESSA WATERBURY WALLACE
ADAM WATKINS

CSWA New Applications (11)

MICHELLE CAMPBELL
KARA EDGE
TODD MC JUNKIN
REBECCA MORENO
KIMBERLY NORTHUP
BRANDY PRICE
HEIDI SAVELL
KRISTIN SAXTON
KIRA STEENSTRUP
DANENE WANNER
TAMARA WEHRER

CSWA Candidate Revised Plan (11)

KRISTIN BOYD
JOSE DEL HOYO
NONIE GANAKIS
BRYAN GISH
SANDRA GRAVES
DEBORAH KELLING
LINDASY M. LAUX
GALLI MURRAY
EDWARD PARKER
NINA REYERS
M. CRAIG SINGLETON

CSWA Plan Completions (9)

GLORIA BROOKS
REBECCA CHRISTIANSEN
ANDREW ELMORE
SUSAN EMRICK
MICHELLE FARRAR
CARLA NEWBRE
MAUREEN SEFEROVICH
TYLER ST CLAIR
MONA TREADWAY

CSWA Plan Changes (9)

ERIN BEERY
BRYAN CLARK
AUDREY DUROSS
KATHRYN GARLAND
JILL GROMER
KATHRYN HAINLEY
LAURA NEIMARK-GIZARA
ANNETTE SENNEBOGEN
KELLY SULLIVAN

Reactivation of License (1)

SALLY GARDNER

Semi Retired License (6)

PATRICIA ANDEEN
LOIS GOLD
LEORA HUGHES
PAULA ROSE LANG
CHARLEN MASEY
PATRICIA MATTHEWS

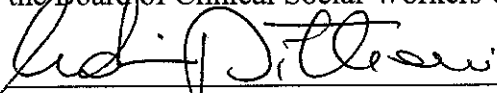
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Approved Continuing Ed # Hours (0)
No requests for this category

**ORS 676.165(4) Extensions
approved for the following
Consumer Protection Cases: (24)**

2008-16	2008-31	2008-32
2008-36	2008-37	2008-41
2008-42	2008-46	2009-03
2009-04	2009-05	2009-06
2009-07	2009-08	2009-10
2009-11	2009-12	2009-13
2009-16	2009-17	2009-19
2009-20	2009-21	2009-22

All the people listed in the above categories have met the necessary requirements to be approved by the Board of Clinical Social Workers Consent Agenda.


Board Executive Director

8/11/09
Date