

Approved Sept. 19, 2014



STATE of OREGON
BOARD of LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS
Board Meeting
Friday, February 12, 2014
3218 Pringle Road S. Salem, OR 97302

Board Members Present: Carol Zancanella, *Chair*
Donna Henderson, *Vice Chair*
Kathy Outland
Martha Lopez
Rachel Jensen
Ebony Sloan Clarke

Board Counsel Present: Kyle Martin, *AIC, Oregon Dept. of Justice*

Staff Members Present: Randy Harnisch, *Executive Director*
Mindy Tucker, *Senior Compliance Specialist*
Jesse Milich, *Investigator*
Kim Sommer, *Interim Licensing Manager*
Wende Thatcher, *Staff*

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Zancanella called the Board Meeting to order at 1:04 p.m., and provided brief opening remarks.

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA:

Chair Zancanella asked for review of the draft agenda.

- i. **Henderson** moved to adopt and approve the agenda.
- ii. **Lopez** seconded.
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chair Zancanella asked for review of the October 25, 2013 minutes.

- i. **Outland** moved to adopt & approve the amended minutes.
- ii. **Henderson** seconded.
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Review of the January 12, 2014 Minutes:

- i. **Outland** moved to adopt & approve the minutes.
- ii. **Henderson** seconded the motion.
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

4. MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chair Zancanella announced that the Board would move to Executive Session to conduct Board business, pursuant to ORS 162.660(2)(b)(f)(h)(i)(k). The Board entered Executive Session at 1:12 p.m.

- **Chair Zancanella moved the Board out of Executive Session at 1:32 p.m.**

5. SPECIAL REVIEWS:

In the Matter of CSWA Therese Poncy:

- i. **Henderson moved to accept Therese Poncy's surrender of her CSWA Certificate by letter dated 9/15/2013 pursuant to OAR 877-020-0036(2).**
- ii. **Outland seconded the motion.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

6. Committee Reports:

Kathy Outland reviewed topics and recommendations discussed at the Legislative and Rules Committee meeting including: the Definition of Clinical Social Worker; board composition to include a CSWA, LMSW, or RBSW; public record, and fee increases; electronic media supervision provided there is at least 1 in-person meeting quarterly; temporary licensure for CSWA and MSW in order to obtain a job to acquire required hours; deletion of items 5,9,11 in the definition of "agency" in OAR 877-020-0000; CSWA extension to the 5 year rule; changing wording for inpatient facilities on background inquiries from "psychiatric facility" to "Behavioral Health" facility.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Henderson presented the Consumer Protection Committee report.

In the matter of case 2012-38:

- i. **Henderson moved to close the case.**
- ii. **Outland seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the matter of case 2013-04:

- i. **Henderson moved to dismiss the case.**
- ii. **Lopez seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the matter of case 2013-08:

- i. **Henderson moved to close the case.**
- ii. **Sloan Clarke seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the matter of case 2013-15:

- i. **Henderson moved to close the case.**
- ii. **Sloan Clarke seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the matter of case 2012-56:

- i. Henderson moved to close the case.**
- ii. Jensen seconded.**
- iii. Motion passed unanimously.**

Jensen provided the Continuing Education Committee report, and advised that committee had approved eleven CE requests from LCSWs **Bucholtz, Drischel, Kerrisk, Allison, Obermeyer, Hanson, Hermes, Beckett, Owens, Rohrer-Heyerly, and Wozniak.**

Outland reviewed progress from the Child Custody Task Force meeting.

The Task Force suggested that guidelines on informed consent be added to code of Ethics. Specific recommendations will be discussed at the next task force meeting.

Sommer reviewed with the Board the matter of **Martha Hanthorn's** request to return to active licensure status. **Hanthorn** has been inactive since November 1, 2010. The board generally requests 20 hours of continuing education, including 6 hours in ethics, and the fee difference.

- i. Lopez moved to approve Martha Hanthorn request to return to active status subject to completion of 20 hours of continuing education including 6 hours in ethics and the fee difference.**
- ii. Henderson seconded.**
- iii. Motion passed unanimously.**

8. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- i. Henderson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.**
- ii. Lopez seconded.**
- iii. Motion passed unanimously.**

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Harnisch reported License Total Updates, which show that our numbers are steadily increasing.

Harnisch is scheduling a meeting to go over agency budget with new Budget Analyst. The 2015-17 budget meeting is scheduled for 3/13/2014 to plan for next biennium.

Harnisch reported that the Secretary of State Audit is still just a draft, but the draft contains good news. Overall a positive audit report, the only recommendation was that the health boards consider conducting background checks for individuals who handle drugs or interact with vulnerable populations. We have already discussed the benefit of doing additional background checks. Additionally, the report recommends that the Governor's Office offer additional training for board members.

Harnisch gave a brief update on the 2014 Legislature noting that at this time there is nothing that would directly affect BLSW.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public present for comment.

11. OLD BUSINESS:

Chair Zancanella brought up the upcoming board positions to be filled. The members including Chair Carol, Martha, and Rachel, will be expiring. We will need to actively recruit board members to fill a quorum.

Newsletter articles are coming along, should have draft by next board meeting.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

Harnisch mentioned that DHS Addictions and Mental Health has included LCSW's in a list of individuals who may provide forensic evaluation of competency during youth court proceedings. They are looking for social workers for a professional training later this spring. The board determined that we would not specifically recommend anyone, but would provide information on the training including who to contact

Chair Zancanella requests more time to review agenda items prior to the meetings. Any items on the agenda need to be received by board members no later than 6pm Friday prior to the Wednesday meeting. If something should come up and need to be added to agenda after that deadline, must be approved by the chair or vice-chair. The deadline for a Friday meeting is the preceding Monday.

Outland wanted to mention appreciation to Mindy Tucker for sending the "heads up" email to the personal email addresses.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting is a phone meeting on Wed March 12, 9-11 am. The Legislative/Rules committee plans to meet by phone conference following the regular board meeting.

The Spring Planning meeting is scheduled for April 11-12, 2014. The CPC will meet from 8AM until noon. If any other committees want to meet, please contact the chair.

Spring ASWB Training and educational meeting is May 8-11, 2014 in St Louis.

Respectfully submitted,



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