



STATE of OREGON
BOARD of LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS
Board Meeting
Friday, February 21, 2020
3218 Pringle Road SE, Salem, OR 97302

Approved April 17, 2020

Board Members Present: Brenda Dennis, *Public Member, Chair*
Rachel Jensen, *LMSW, Vice Chair**
Kathy Outland, *LCSW*
John Fant, *Public Member*
Stephanie Manriquez, *Public Member*
Mollie Janssen, *LCSW*

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

Staff Members Present: Randy Harnisch, *Executive Director*
Kim Coleman, *Licensing Manager*
Mindy Tucker, *Senior Compliance Specialist*
Troy Clinton, *Investigator*
Abe Dedek, *Investigator*

Absent: Ebony Sloan Clarke, *LCSW*

* = Participation by phone, all others present at the Board Office

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Dennis called the Board Meeting to order at 12:11 p.m., and provided brief opening remarks.

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA:

Chair Dennis asked for review of the draft agenda.

- i. **Outland moved to approve and adopt the agenda as presented.**
- ii. **Manriquez seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

3. MINUTES:

Chair Dennis asked if Board members had an opportunity to review the minutes for the following meetings:

3a. October 18, 2019:

- i. **Manriquez moved to approve the minutes for October 18, 2019 as presented.**

- ii. **Fant seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

3b. January 24, 2020:

- i. **Outland moved to approve the minutes for January 24, 2020 as amended.**
- ii. **Manriquez seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

4. COMPLIANCE STATISTICS:

Tucker reviewed current compliance statistics with Board members. Between 2015 and 2019 there were 212 cases opened, 156 cases adjudicated, and 173 applications reviewed. As of January 16, 2020, there are 141 open cases.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chair Dennis announced that the Board would now enter into Executive Session to conduct Board business, pursuant to ORS 162.660(2)(b)(f)(h)(i)(l). The Board entered into Executive Session at 12:16 p.m. **Chair Dennis moved the Board out of Executive Session at 1:09 p.m.**

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Outland presented the Consumer Protection Committee report.

In the matter of case 2016-38:

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

In the matter of case 2018-01:

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

In the matter of case 2018-44:

- i. **Outland moved to dismiss the case due to no violation of rule or law.**
- ii. **Janssen seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the matter of case 2019-23:

- i. **Outland moved to dismiss the case due to no violation of rule or law.**
- ii. **Manriquez seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Fant provided the Licensing and Examination Committee report, announcing that committee had reviewed and approved two 5-year extension requests for CSWAs **Reed Hedlund** and **Tifani Erpelding**, and eight exam extension requests for CSWAs **Helen Sayas**, **Janice Southern**, **Jessica Barton**, **Jose Del Hoyo**, **Kelly Irish**, **Michael Braxton**, **Patricia Cortez** and **Kathy Litvin**. The Committee also reviewed a supervision evaluation for CSWA **Nathan Caulder**, and advised Board staff to monitor future evaluations.

Manriquez provided the Continuing Education Committee report and advised that committee had approved five CE request from LCSWs **Athena Dorey, Ryan Parsons, Travis Tarpo, Margaret Manning** and **Nancy Stevenson**.

Outland presented the Joint Rules and Legislative Committee report. The Committee reviewed and provided rule revisions for Divisions 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25. The Rules Advisory Committee met on December 6, 2019 and provided feedback. Division 30, pertaining to Code of Ethics for Regulated Social Workers, will be reviewed next. **Martin** will review the proposed amendments and provide feedback. After that, the next step will be for **Harnisch** to file the amended rules and set up a public hearing.

7. SPECIAL REVIEWS

[No special reviews]

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Harnisch and **Thatcher** provided a supervisor presentation at George Fox University for 75 people. There are 6 presentations with new grads scheduled between now and the end of the school year.

Harnisch provided a technology update. Board staff continue to have weekly conference calls with Thentia's project managers and developers. The current obstacle is getting approval for the Board's selected payment processor, NIC USA. Harnisch has meetings set up with the State Treasury Department, DAS, DAS IT, DAS IT Security, DAS Contracting, and DOJ. Thentia is looking at April for a go live date.

Harnisch provided a 2019-21 budget update. The Board's DAS Chief Financial Officer Representative, Legislative Fiscal Officer Representative, and Accountant suggested putting a request in to the Legislature during the current session for an additional \$200,000.00 expenditure authority for the biennium to cover the current limited duration investigator position. Harnisch received notice last week that the request was approved and would be included in the omnibus end of session bill which includes several relatively small financial fixes.

Harnisch reviewed licensing statistics. The Board currently has just under 6,500 licensees.

9. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- i. **Manriquez moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**
- ii. **Fant seconded.**
- iii. **Motion passed with 4 votes in favor, and 2 abstentions.**

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

[No public comment]

11. OLD BUSINESS:

[No old business]

12. NEW BUSINESS:

Board members discussed rescheduling the March 20th CPC meeting for the first week of April.

13. CORRESPONDENCE:

[No correspondence]

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Dennis announced she and **Harnisch** would be attending the ASWB Executive Leadership Training next month in San Diego, CA.

Janssen suggested revising the CSWA 6 Month Supervision Evaluation form at a future meeting.

Janssen would like to continue the conversation around the scope of practice for BSWs.

Chair Dennis adjourned the Board meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kim Coleman
Licensing Manager