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MICHIGAN BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK NOVEMBER 22, 2011 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Social Work met in regular session on November 22, 2011 at 9:30 a.m., in the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Matthew Wojack, LMSW, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Matthew Wojack, LMSW, Chairperson
Anwar Najor-Durack, MSW, LMSW, Vice Chairperson
Heather Adams Bell, Public Member
Michele Brock, LMSW
Eleanor Blum, Public Member
E. Jane Hayes, LMSW
Pamela Manela, LMSW
Michelle Woods, Public Member

Members Absent: Merry Battles, LMSW, CAAC

Staff Present: Christine Hanson, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Bureau of Health Professions
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Health Regulatory Division
Kelly Hugh, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Desmond Mitchell, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Danielle Burk, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Robert Jenkins, Assistant Attorney General
Jennifer Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General (left at 10:20 a.m.)

Others Present: Nancy Short, Appointments Division, Office of Governor Snyder
Brooke Pung, Appointments Division, Office of Governor Snyder

Robin Mingus, NASW-Michigan
Maxine Thome, NASW-Michigan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Woods, seconded by Manela, to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2011 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Woods, seconded by Hayes, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

ASWB Annual Meeting

Manela reported that she attended the ASWB Annual Meeting held November 3-5, 2011 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She stated that the meeting was well represented by provinces and states. Topics of discussion included deregulation, ASWB guidelines for non-punitive sanctions and continuing education. Manela further reported that ASWB has not experienced breach in testing, however, current testing security is being reviewed for the four exam levels.

Wojack thanked Manela for her report.

ASWB Exam Policies

Brock inquired if the ASWB testing statistics for Michigan have been received. Ramsdell stated that the statistic results have not been received; she anticipates having information for the next Board meeting. Wojack asked that the Exam Policy discussion be tabled for next meeting

ASWB Meeting DVD Report (DVD #5 and #6)

Manela reported that DVD #5 provided information on cultural diversity and objectivity when working with licensees. Manela further reported that due to software problems she was not able to review DVD #6. Bell will review DVD #6 and provide a report at the next meeting. Wojack asked that DVD #7 and #8 be reviewed and a report of each be provided at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CE Committee and Collaborative Report

Brock reported that the CE Collaborative Body continued discussion regarding home study, CE waiver process and Macro-practice. Additional information will be forthcoming at the next meeting.

Robin Mingus provided the Board with information pertaining to the Michigan Social Work Continuing Education Collaborative and provided a verbal overview of same. She announced that the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) ruling requires videos be closed captioned effective January 1, 2012. Maxine Thome recognized Robin Mingus for her outstanding work with continuing education programs.

Committee on Scope and Impact of Social Work Licensing

Ramsdell stated that the committee meeting will be rescheduled. Topics for discussion will center on outreach to the profession. Discussion amongst the Board members and staff was held. Blum expressed her interest in participating in this committee.

Addiction Counselor Certification Update

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Department Update

Ramsdell advised that Board members whose terms expire on December 31, 2011 will need to apply for reappointment. The Appointments Division is currently working on filling vacancies.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Kimberly Ann Simmons, LMSW – Petition for Reinstatement

Najor-Durack recused herself from the matter as she served as Board conferee.

MOTION by Blum, seconded by Hayes, to grant Reinstatement to a full and unrestricted license in the matter of Kimberly Ann Simmons, LMSW.

Discussion was held. Motion was withdrawn.

MOTION by Blum, seconded by Bell, to deny Reinstatement in the matter of Kimberly Ann Simmons, LMSW.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Woods, Bell, Hayes, Manela, Blum, Brock, Wojack

MOTION PREVAILED

Desmond Girard Walters – Proposal for Decision/Intent to Deny

Assistant Attorney General Jenkins recused himself from this matter and left the room.

MOTION by Woods, seconded by Manela, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny application for licensure in the matter of Desmond Girard Walters.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Bell, Brock, Hayes, Manela, Blum, Woods, Najor-Durack, Wojack

MOTION PREVAILED

Vanessa Ann Klave, LBSW – Proposal for Decision/Reinstatement

MOTION by Najor-Durack, seconded by Woods, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny Reinstatement in the matter of Vanessa Ann Klave, LBSW.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Bell, Brock, Woods, Manela, Blum, Hayes, Najor-Durack, Wojack

MOTION PREVAILED

Helen Tyne Mayfield, LMSW – Proposal for Decision/Reinstatement

MOTION by Woods, seconded by Manela, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny Reinstatement in the matter of Helen Tyne Mayfield, LMSW.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Hayes, Woods, Brock, Manela, Blum, Bell, Wojack
Abstain: Najor-Durack

MOTION PREVAILED

PUBLIC COMMENT

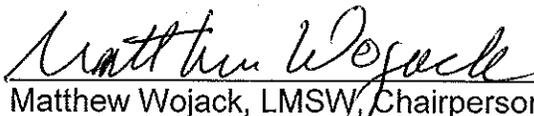
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

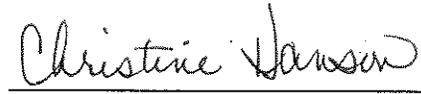
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 24, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

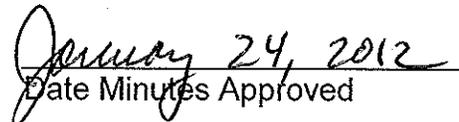
MOTION by Woods, seconded by Brock, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m.



Matthew Wojack, LMSW, Chairperson



Christine Hanson, Board Secretary



Date Minutes Approved



Date Minutes Prepared