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## **MICHIGAN BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE JANUARY 24, 2012 MEETING**

### **APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Social Work Disciplinary Subcommittee met in regular session on January 24, 2012, in the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Michelle Woods, Public Member, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Michelle Woods, Public Member, Chairperson  
Heather Adams-Bell, Public Member  
E. Jane Hayes, LMSW  
Merry Battles, LMSW, CAAC  
Pamela Manela, LMSW

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Kristen Kinney, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division  
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Health Regulatory Division  
Wendy Helmic, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division  
Robert Jenkins, Assistant Attorney General  
Kayla Byrd, Law Student Intern, Health Regulatory Division

**Others Present:** Maxine Thome, NASW-Michigan

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Manela, seconded by Adams-Bell, to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2011 as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

*MOTION* by Adams-Bell, seconded by Manela, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS***

### **Dennis E. Litka, LMSW – Consent Order and Stipulation**

*MOTION* by Hayes, seconded by Manela, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation in the matter of Dennis E. Litka, LMSW.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Battles, Manela, Hayes, Adams-Bell, Woods

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Stephen W. Loring, LMSW – Consent Order and Stipulation**

*MOTION* by Adams-Bell, seconded by Manela, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation in the matter of Stephen W. Loring, LMSW.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Adams-Bell, Hayes, Battles, Manela, Woods

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Michael Paul Sierko, LMSW – Consent Order and Stipulation**

*MOTION* by Adams-Bell, seconded by Battles, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation in the matter of Michael Paul Sierko, LMSW.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Manela, Woods, Adams-Bell, Hayes, Battles

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Marty Joseph Froman, LBSW – Administrative Complaint**

*MOTION* by Adams-Bell, seconded by Manela, to revoke respondent's license in the matter of Marty Joseph Froman, LBSW.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Hayes, Manela, Battles, Woods, Adams-Bell

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Stephen H. Lyttle, LBSW – Administrative Complaint**

*MOTION* by Adams-Bell, seconded by Manela to revoke respondent's license in the matter of Stephen H. Lyttle.

Discussion was held.

*MOTION* Adams-Bell, seconded by Manela to withdraw her previous motion.

*MOTION* by Battles, seconded by Manela, to dissolve the Summary Suspension and suspend respondent's license for a time period of six (6) months and one (1) day in the matter of Stephen H. Lyttle, LBSW.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Battles, Manela, Hayes, Adams-Bell, Woods

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

Maxine Thome, Executive Director of NASW-Michigan, spoke in regards to the Lyttle case, stating she was unsure of whether Lyttle should be suspended or revoked. She struggled with the Board's decision when she viewed it from a consumer protection standpoint.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held March 27, 2012 immediately following the full Board meeting scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

## ***ADJOURNMENT***

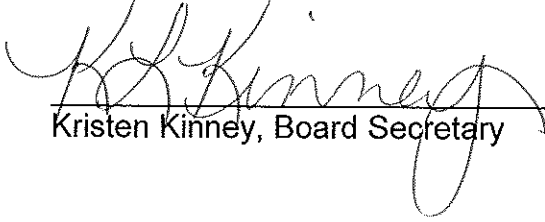
*MOTION* by Hayes, seconded by Bell, to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 a.m.



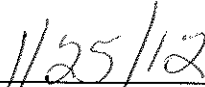
Michelle Woods, Public Member, Chairperson



Date Minutes Approved



Kristen Kinney, Board Secretary



Date Minutes Prepared