

MINUTES
S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

Board Meeting – September 22, 2008
Saluda Building, Room 111
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Anker, Cassandra Brunson, Marjorie Hammock, and Lynn Melton.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rick Hepfer

OTHERS PRESENT: Patricia Glenn, Administrator; Shelia Jones, Administrative Assistant; Kathy Meadows, Investigator- OIE; David Love, OIE, Larry Atkins, OIE; Sharon Dantzer, Staff Attorney

Public Notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Board office and provided any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with section 30-4-80 of the Freedom of Information Act.

CALL TO ORDER: Lynn Melton - President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2008 Board Meeting.

REVIEW OF COMPLAINT/DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS:

Complaint # 1- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.
Complaint #2- Dismiss, no violation of practice act.
Complaint #3- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act.
Complaint #4- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act.
Complaint #5- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act.
Complaint #6- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act.
Complaint #7- Formal Accusation, violation of practice act.
Complaint #8- Dismiss with "letter of caution."

APPEARING:

Tiffany D. Holthus, MSW:

Ms. Holthus appeared before the Board to discuss her "yes" answer to question #5 "Do you now hold or have you ever held a license, certificate or registration in social work or any other profession that has been subject to disciplinary proceedings before a state regulatory body or had your license, certificate or registration suspended, revoked or limited in any way?"

After discussion with Ms. Holthus and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Holthus to continue with the application process and issue the LMSW license.

Sandra G. Porter, MSW:

Ms. Porter appeared before the Board to discuss her "yes" answer to question #7 "Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty to pled nolo contendere to a criminal offense, other than a minor traffic violation?"

After discussion with Ms. Porter and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Porter to continue with the application process and issue the LMSW license.

George J. Bravakis, MSW:

Mr. Bravakis appeared before the Board to discuss his “yes” answer to question #11 “Have you ever been involuntarily terminated from any social work or related employment?”

After discussion with Mr. Bravakis, review of information he presented and pending review of two professional references, the Board voted to allow Mr. Bravakis to continue with the application process and issue the LMSW license.

Marlene F. Petta, MSW:

Ms. Petta appeared before the Board to present information why she should be licensed without a record of a passing score on the ASWB examination.

After discussion with Ms. Petta and review of the information she presented, the Board voted to deny Ms. Petta’s application for licensure. She presented no evidence of a passing ASWB examination score and since her license had lapsed in Michigan she could not qualify under 40-63-260 of the SC Code of Laws. See attached Order.

Elizabeth V. Freeman, LISW-CP/AP: Ms. Freeman and Reg Hutchinson, LISW-CP appeared before the Board to request the Board to allow telemedicine/videoconferencing for LISW supervision at the SCDMH and SCDHEC.

After discussion and review of the information presented, the Board will vote at the next Board meeting pending Board member review of the telemedicine/videoconferencing equipment.

APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE:

The Board voted to approve all of the applicants eligible for licensure from May 1, 2008 through September 1, 2008 (see attached).

CONTINUING EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP APPLICATIONS:

The Board voted to approve the following Continuing Education Sponsors:

Sponsors Name: THOMAS MCAFEE FUNERAL HOMES
Title of Training: “Responding to Loss and Trauma in the Workplace”
Dates of Training: September 17, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Theresa A. Rando, Ph.D., BCETS, BCBT
Hours: **Three (3) Non-Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: ACADEMY OF DIALYSIS SOCIAL WORKERS
Title of Training: “Sexuality and Pregnancy Among the Dialysis Population”
Dates of Training: October 10, 2008 – Charleston, SC
Presenter: Steven A. Iacono, LMSW
Hours: **Two (2) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: LORMAN BUSINESS CENTER, INC.
Title of Training: “Medical Records Law”
Dates of Training: October 16, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Howard W. Paschal, Jr.; William J. Watkins, Jr.; Mary H. Watters; Stephen P. Williams
Clock Hours: **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: SHEILA D. WOOD, ACSW, LISW-CP
Title of Training: “Relaxation Through Guided Imagery”
Dates of Training: July 10, 2008 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Sheila D. Wood, ACSW, LISW-CP
Clock Hours: **One (1) Social Work Hour**

- Sponsors Name:** **LORMAN BUSINESS CENTER, INC.**
Title of Training: "Understanding Students with Aggressive Behaviors"
Dates of Training: January 13, 2009 – Charleston, SC
Presenter: Laura L. Mohr, Ed.D., NCSP, LPES
Clock Hours: **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **BODY AND SOUL THERAPY, LLC.**
Title of Training: "Successful Treatment of Anxiety Disorders Without Medication"
Dates of Training: October 3, 10, 17 & November 7, 2008 – Charleston & Goose Creek, SC
Presenter: Barbara S. Fox, LISW-CP
Clock Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **SUMMIT PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION**
Title of Training: "Assessment and Therapeutic Interventions for Special Needs Children"
Dates of Training: November 10 - 11, 2008 – Charleston & Columbia, SC
Presenter: Sandra B. Dunbar, DPA, OTR/L
Clock Hours: **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **NEXUS CENTER**
Title of Training: "Dreams: God's Forgotten Language"
Dates of Training: November 21 - 22, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Robert L. Haden, Jr., BA, M. Div, STM, DAPA
Clock Hours: **Seven (7) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **SUSAN SHANKLE**
Title of Training: "Social Work Ethics"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – Mt. Pleasant, SC
Presenter: Susan Shankle, LISW-CP
Hours: **Twenty (20) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **SUSAN SHANKLE**
Title of Training: "Cultural Competence in Mental Health Settings"
Dates of Training: Mt. Pleasant, SC
Presenter: Susan Shankle, LISW-CP
Hours: **Six (6) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **HOMEWOOD RESIDENCE**
Title of Training: "Why & When to Use Hospice"
Dates of Training: October 10, 2008 – Greenville, SC
Presenter: Timothy S. Hayes, BSW; Jeffery Grant, MSW
Hours: **Three and Quarter (3.25) Non-Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "Social Work Month: Treatment Modalities"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – SC
Presenter: Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW/MPA
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**
- Sponsors Name:** **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "When Enough is Enough: Extending Life or Prolonging Death"
Dates of Training: November 14, 2008 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Keith A. Guest, MD, CMD; Mary Beth Lamey, LMSW; Margaret Eller, LMSW
Hours: **Two and Half (2.5) Social Work Hours and Three (3) Social Work Hours**

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Sponsors Name: **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "Suicide Prevention Techniques"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – SC
Presenter: David Kellin, LISW-CP
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "Waves of Change: The Baby Boomer's Impact on Healthcare"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – SC
Presenter: Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW/MPA
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: **HOSPICE CARE OF TRI-COUNTY**
Title of Training: "Play Therapy: It's Not Just Kid Stuff Anymore"
Dates of Training: To Be Determined – SC
Presenter: Tanieka Ward-Akabane, LMSW/MPA
Hours: **Three (3) Social Work Hours**

Sponsors Name: **WINSTON'S WISH FOUNDATION**
Title of Training: "Problem Behavior Workshop"
Dates of Training: December 8, 2008 – Columbia, SC
Presenter: Dr. Vincent J. Carbone, Ed.D., BCBA
Hours: **Six and Half (6.5) Non-Social Work Hours**

INVITATION TO ASWB: The Board voted to extend an invitation to ASWB to hold its upcoming annual meeting in SC.

AJOURNMENT:
The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia F. Glenn
Administrator