

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

Board Meeting – March 17, 2008  
Kingstree Building, Room 111  
110 Centerview Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** none

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Patricia Glenn, Administrator; Ruby McClain, ADD; Lynne Rogers, OGC; Kathy Meadows, Investigator- OIE; Sharon Dantzler, 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.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Lynn Melton-President, Jane Anker-Vice President

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2007 Board Meeting.

**REVIEW OF COMPLAINT/DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS:**

**Lynne Rogers, OGC** requested the Board to approve a hearing officer for an upcoming disciplinary hearing #2006-14 because of lack of quorum due to possible recusal of board members. The Board voted to approve a hearing officer.

**Complaint 2007-2:**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for dismissal of complaint.

**Complaint 2007-20:**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for dismissal of complaint.

**Complaint 2007-23:**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for dismissal of complaint.

**Complaint 2007-24:**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for dismissal of complaint.

**Complaint 2007-13:**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for a formal complaint.

**Complaint 2006-8**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for dismissal with "letter of caution."

**Complaint 2007-16**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for dismissal with "letter of caution."

**Complaint 2007-19**

The Board voted to accept the IRC recommendation for dismissal with strong "letter of caution."

**APPEARING:**

**Tonya H. Cunningham, BSW:**

Ms. Cunningham appeared before the Board to discuss her "yes" answer to question #11 "Have you ever been involuntarily terminated from any social work or related employment?"

After discussion with Ms. Cunningham and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Cunningham to continue with the application process at the LBSW level.

**Christine Dawkins-Brewster, MSW:**

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

After discussion with Ms. Dawkins-Brewster and review of the professional references and information she presented, the Board voted to allow Ms. Dawkins-Brewster to continue with the application process and issue her the LISW-CP license.

**APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE:**

The Board voted to approve all of the applicants eligible for licensure from October 27, 2007 through February 28, 2008 (see attached).

**CONTINUING EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP APPLICATIONS:**

The Board voted to approve the following Continuing Education Sponsors:

**Sponsors Name:** **LOW COUNTRY SUPPORT SERVICES NETWORK**  
**Title of Training:** "Empowering Clients to Acknowledge and Assert Their Personal Boundaries Via Effective Communications"  
**Dates of Training:** February, 2008 (Exact Date To Be Established) - Bluffton, SC  
**Presenter:** Ann Martel, LISW-CP, CEAP  
**Hours:** **Two and Half (2.5) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **LORMAN BUSINESS CENTER, INC**  
**Title of Training:** "Understanding Individuals With Asperger's Syndrome or High Functioning Autism"  
**Dates of Training:** April 17, 2008 - Greenville, SC  
**Presenter:** Rhonda Williamson Buford, Ph.D.  
**Hours:** **Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **STEPHANIE GUEST**  
**Title of Training:** "Hospice Care Educational Series"  
**Dates of Training:** To Be Determined - Columbia, SC  
**Presenter:** Keith A. Guest, MD, CMD  
**Clock Hours:** **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **RIPLEY'S RETREAT**  
**Title of Training:** "Universal Principles and Social Work Practice"  
**Dates of Training:** March 20-21, 2008 - Hopkins, SC  
**Presenter:** Judy H. Ripley, MSW, LISW-AP and William C. Ripley,MSW, LISW-AP  
**Clock Hours:** **Ten (10) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **RIPLEY'S RETREAT**  
**Title of Training:** "Success as a Supervisor: Training in Basic Supervisory Skills"  
**Dates of Training:** April 17-18, 2008 - Hopkins, SC  
**Presenter:** Judy H. Ripley, MSW, LISW-AP and William C. Ripley,MSW, LISW-AP  
**Clock Hours:** **Ten (10) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **RIPLEY'S RETREAT**  
Title of Training: "Learning the Ropes: A Team Approach"  
Dates of Training: May 22-23, 2008 - Hopkins, SC  
Presenter: Judy H. Ripley, MSW, LISW-AP and William C. Ripley,MSW, LISW-AP  
Clock Hours: **Ten (10) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **RIPLEY'S RETREAT**  
Title of Training: "Mutual Planning and Coaching"  
Dates of Training: June 19-20, 2008 - Hopkins, SC  
Presenter: Judy H. Ripley, MSW, LISW-AP and William C. Ripley,MSW, LISW-AP  
Clock Hours: **Ten (10) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **RIPLEY'S RETREAT**  
Title of Training: "Recharging the Battery: Healthy Body, Healthy Mind"  
Dates of Training: July 17-18, 2008 - Hopkins, SC  
Presenter: Judy H. Ripley, MSW, LISW-AP and William C. Ripley,MSW, LISW-AP  
Clock Hours: **Ten (10) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **RIPLEY'S RETREAT**  
Title of Training: "Managing Up: Speak Up or Shut Up!!"  
Dates of Training: August 21-22, 2008 - Hopkins, SC  
Presenter: Judy H. Ripley, MSW, LISW-AP and William C. Ripley,MSW, LISW-AP  
Clock Hours: **Ten (10) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **NANCY PEARCE, MS, MSW, LISW-CP**  
Title of Training: "Spiritual Connections Inside Alzheimer's"  
Dates of Training: To Be Determined  
Presenter: Nancy Pearce, MS, MSW, LISW-CP  
Clock Hours: **One and Half (1.5) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **LIGHTHOUSE CARE CENTER OF CONWAY**  
Title of Training: "Dementia: Review and Update"  
Dates of Training: March 6, 2008  
Presenter: William A. Van Horn, MD and Terri Daniels-Little, LMSW  
Clock Hours: **One (1) Social Work Hours and  
Two (2) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **PAMELA VON KLEIST, LISW-CP**  
Title of Training: "The Ties That Bond: Understanding Domestic Violence"  
Dates of Training: October 17, 2008 - Greenville, SC  
Presenter: Pamela von Kleist, LISW-CP  
Clock Hours: **Six (6) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP**  
Title of Training: "Child and Adolescent Counseling: Just What Can the Counselor Control"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Vicki Miller, LPC  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** **THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP**  
Title of Training: "Positive Skills for Parents"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Vicki Miller, LPC  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "Spirituality and Therapy"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Joanne Cook Smith, LPC  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "Working with Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Youth"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Joanne Cook Smith, LPC  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "Working with Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Adults"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Joanne Cook Smith, LPC  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "Living Large in a Mini World"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Joanne Cook Smith, LPC  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "Have All the Girls Gone Wild?"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Traci Bryant-Riches, BA, M.Ed.  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "My Space or Yours"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Traci Bryant-Riches, BA, M.Ed.  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "On-line Dating: Fishing in the Cybersea"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Traci Bryant-Riches, BA, M.Ed.  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "Inside Alzheimer's: How to Hear and Honor connections with a Person Who Has Dementia"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Nancy Pearce, MS, LISW-CP  
Clock Hours: **Five (5) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
Title of Training: "The Art of Centering: Simple Strategies and Practices to Empower Your Compassionate Self"  
Dates of Training: Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
Presenter: Franklyn Smith, MSW, LISW-CP  
Clock Hours: **Four (4) Social Work Hours**

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
**Title of Training:** “Swept Up: Surviving Life’s Transitions”  
**Dates of Training:** Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
**Presenter:** Linda Fashanu, LMSW  
**Clock Hours:** Four (4) Social Work Hours

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
**Title of Training:** “Resources for the Elderly”  
**Dates of Training:** Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
**Presenter:** Rene’ Shuler Wilson, MSW  
**Clock Hours:** Four (4) Social Work Hours

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
**Title of Training:** “Weight You Loose You Win”  
**Dates of Training:** Begin April 2008 - Statewide  
**Presenter:** William (Gene) Eaton  
**Clock Hours:** Six (6) Non-Social Work Hours

**Sponsors Name:** ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION SC CHAPTER  
**Title of Training:** “Alzheimer’s Update In ‘08”  
**Dates of Training:** May 29, 2008 – Greenville, SC  
**Presenter:** Edgar Weiss, MD; Nancy Pearce, LISW-CP; P.K. Beville, MS; Elizabeth York, Ph.D, MT-BC  
**Clock Hours:** One (1) Social Work Hour and Five (5) Non-Social Work Hours

**Sponsors Name:** BROWN, FORD AND JOSEPH  
**Title of Training:** “Love Thy Self”  
**Dates of Training:** April 25/26, 2008 – Charleston, SC  
**Presenter:** Vernell T. Brown, MSW, LISW-CP/AP; Shirley A. Ford, MSW, ACSW, LISW-CP/AP; Deborah W. Joseph, MSW, LISW-CP/AP  
**Clock Hours:** Six (6) Social Work Hours and One (1) Non-Social Work Hour

**Sponsors Name:** GREENVILLE INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE CONFERENCE  
**Title of Training:** “Greenville Integrative Medicine Conference”  
**Dates of Training:** May 10, 2008 – Greenville, SC  
**Presenter:** Dale Dingledine, Ph.D., LISW-CP; Maria Cayelli, MD; Jorge Flechas, MD; James Caldwell, MD; Ruth Kyle, LAc; Sharon Willingham, MD; Tessa Porter May, ND, CNHP  
**Clock Hours:** One (1) Social Work Hour and Five (5) Non-Social Work Hours

**Sponsors Name:** THE BIRTH of VENUS GROUP  
**Title of Training:** “Breast Dialogues”  
**Dates of Training:** April 2008 – Charleston, SC  
**Presenter:** Kathleen Johnson  
**Clock Hours:** Four (4) Non-Social Work Hours

**Sponsors Name:** SOUTH CAROLINA AFTERSCHOOL ALLIANCE  
**Title of Training:** “2008 Statewide After School Conference”  
**Dates of Training:** April 7-8, 2008 – Columbia, SC  
**Presenter:** Peggy Hogan, M.Ed.; Richard “Dick” Latham; Melissa L. Lindler, MPA; Amanda Stone; Keith Pierce, APR; Russell Unthank; Felicia Vereen  
**Clock Hours:** Eleven (11) Non-Social Work Hours

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**AJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. The next scheduled Board Meeting will be May 19, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 111, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, Columbia, South Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia F. Glenn  
Administrator