

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
September 27, 2013**

Lisa Lipsey, LCSW, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, September 27, 2013, in the conference room at the Board office located at 18550 Highland Road, Suite B, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Emily Efferson, Administrator, was present for the entire meeting. Carmen Weisner, Martha Wyly, Elizabeth Jones-Roberts, Sara McClain, Joel McLain, Linda Kelly Woodruff, Scott Smith and Brandon Reeves were present for the public portion of the meeting.

Carla Moore, LMSW, conducted roll call. Board members present at the time of roll call included Robert Showers, RSW, Lisa Lipsey, LCSW, Judith Haspel, LCSW, John McBride, LCSW, Carla Moore, LMSW, and Parker Sternbergh, LCSW.

AGENDA

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to accept the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carmen Weisner, Executive Director of NASW-LA, reported that the registration for the supervision workshops scheduled for the fall is going well. She informed members of the board that NASW-LA will be submitting a written request for a public hearing on the proposed revisions to the rules. Finally Ms. Weisner reported attending the task force meeting in Washington DC regarding the development of a PhD practice program.

PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDERS

Emalie Boyce, Assistant Attorney General, presented the board with a Consent Agreement and Order for **Donald Henry, LCSW**, which had been previously negotiated and agreed to by Mr. Henry in resolution of Complaint # 2013-114. **Motion** was made by Parker Sternbergh, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to accept the Consent Agreement and Order as presented.

MINUTES of the meeting held August 23, 2013

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to accept the minutes of the meeting held August 23, 2013 as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

Taraybia Nyamayaro, LMSW

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Parker Sternbergh and unanimously carried, to accept the computer generated professional experience hours submitted by Ms. Nyamayaro in lieu of the forms provided by the LABSWE.

Anita Jefferson, CSW

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by Parker Sternbergh and unanimously carried, to grant Ms. Jefferson an extension through December 31, 2013, to pay the remaining balance of the fine associated with her Consent Agreement and Order.

Dayna Ned, LMSW

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to grant Ms. Ned's request for an extension to pay the remaining balance of the fine associated with her Consent Agreement and Order. Ms. Ned has been granted through October 14, 2013, to pay the balance in full.

Ryan Rote, LMSW

Motion was made by Parker Sternbergh, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to deny Ms. Rote's request to complete the supervision requirement through volunteer work.

Linda Brown, LCSW-BACS

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to grant Ms. Brown's request to provide disciplinary supervision for Theresa Ivey, LMSW.

Changing Directions, LLC

Changing Directions, LLC, submitted an application to become a Continuing Education Pre-Approval Organization. Members of the board agreed that prior to considering this application, all of the questions on the application must be clearly addressed.

Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to approve Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center to be a Continuing Education Pre-Approval Organization. Their approval extends from September 27, 2013-September 27, 2016.

Carmen Weisner

Carmen Weisner submitted a letter requesting clarification on behalf of school social workers and directives by Magellan. Members of the board responded that social worker cannot diagnose a student that they are not seeing [Rule 111G(2)]. In regard to the electronic medical system, the board responded that it can be used if it is HIPAA compliant. Regarding billing for services not provided, the board referred the writer to Rule 121B. The last question posed was related to providing psychotherapy services and countersigning, to which the board responded that LMSWs providing psychotherapy services must be supervised by a LCSW and that countersigning is not addressed in the Practice Act or the Rules, Standards and Procedures.

FINANCIAL

Members of the board have requested that Susan Sevario, CPA, attend the November 1, 2013, board meeting to discuss the financial statements.

BOARD/STAFF ISSUES

2014 NASW-LA Annual Conference

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to approve the exhibit fee of \$750.00. Members of the board also discussed the format of the ethics presentation that they will be providing at the conference.

ASWB Annual Meeting

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by Parker Sternbergh and unanimously carried, to approve Emily Efferson, Administrator, to the ASWB Annual Meeting.

FARB 38th Annual Forum

The members of the board decided to table this decision until the November 1, 2013, board meeting.

CLEAR Investigator Training

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to share expenses with the Psychology Board to send Tony McCoy to CLEAR's investigator training, as well as, pay to send the other board investigators.

SSA Consultants

Rudy Gomez with SSA Consultants provided an update of where they are with the organizational study.

George Papale- Disposition of Client Files Following the Death of the Client's Social Worker

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to post the opinion on client files following the death of the client's social worker submitted by George Papale, to the board's website.

Renewal Update

Emily Efferson, Administrator, provided the board with current license renewal statistics.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to go into Executive Session at 9:53 a.m. for the following reasons:

to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person, provided that such person is notified in writing at least twenty-four hours before the meeting, and

to discuss prospective litigation.

Votes for going into Executive Session: Robert Showers, yes; John McBride, yes; Carla Moore, yes; Judith Haspel, yes and Parker Sternbergh, yes.

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to come out of Executive Session at 12:45 p.m.

DISCIPLINARY MONITORING REPORT

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Parker Sternbergh and unanimously carried, to approve the disciplinary report.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to release **Trina Johnson, LMSW**, from her Consent Agreement and Order. Ms. Johnson has submitted evidence that she has completed all of the terms in her agreement.

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to release **Malanda Carter, CSW**, from her Consent Agreement and Order. Ms. Carter has submitted evidence that she has completed all of the terms in her agreement.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to release **Constance Goodson, LMSW**, from her Consent Agreement and Order. Ms. Goodson has submitted evidence that she has completed all of the terms in her agreement.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to release **Michaleen Delapp, RSW**, from her Consent Agreement and Order. Ms. Delapp has submitted evidence that she has completed all of the terms in her agreement.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to release **Lawrence Jones, RSW**, from his Consent Agreement and Order. Mr. Jones has submitted evidence that he has completed all of the terms in his agreement.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to release **Claude Montegut, LMSW**, from his Consent Agreement and Order. Mr. Montegut has submitted evidence that he has completed all of the terms in his agreement.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to approve the supervision report submitted by Mary Ann Abel, LCSW-BACS on behalf of Pamela Boudreaux-Weems, LCSW.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to acknowledge that Robert Bonvillain, LCSW, completed the supervision required by his Consent Agreement and Order, to deny his request to be released from

the terms of his Consent Agreement and Order, and to advise that such request can be considered once all terms of the agreement are complete.

NEW COMPLAINTS

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-38** and to send to investigation for possible violation of Rule 107A, 113A(1),(5), 113B(1) and 2717A(4,5,7,11).

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-39** and to request a written response from the respondent.

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-40** and to send to investigation for possible violation of Rule 107B, 113A(1) and 2717A(4,5, 7,11).

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-41** and to request a written response from the respondent.

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-42** and to request a written response from the respondent.

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-43** and to request a written response from the respondent.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-44** and to request a written response from the respondent.

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-45** and to advise complainant that a cease and desist order has been issued.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-46** and to request a written response from the respondent and issue a cease and desist order on their practice of social work.

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-48** and to request a written response from the respondent and issue a cease and desist order on their practice of social work.

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-49** and to request a written response from the respondent for possible violation of Rule 107B, 107C, 113A(4), 113B(1,6,7) and 2717A (4,5,7).

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-50** and to request a written response from the respondent.

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-51** and to request a written response from the respondent.

Motion was made by John McBride , seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to accept **Complaint #2014-52** and request a written request from the respondent for possible violation of Rule 117A and 2717A(7). Board members have requested the respondent to provide her therapy records to the IPP.

Pending Complaints

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to dismiss **Complaint #2013-43** for failure to rise to a level of a violation of the Louisiana Social Work Practice Act or Rules, Standards and Procedures.

Motion was made by Parker Sternbergh, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to dismiss **Complaint #2013-112** for failure to rise to a level of a violation of the Louisiana Social Work Practice Act or Rules, Standards and Procedures.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to dismiss **Complaint #2013-118** for failure to rise to a level of a violation of the Louisiana Social Work Practice Act or Rules, Standards and Procedures.

Applications

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to consider the RSW application submitted by **Brenda Campbell**, once she submits a notarized statement clarifying why she has the same social security number of a family member.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to issue the CSW and exam approval for **Brittney Joseh, MSW**, conditional of her signing a Consent Agreement and Order for unlicensed practice.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to deny **Daven Lewis, MSW**, application for the LMSW. He has been offered a Compliance Hearing.

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to issue the CSW and exam approval for **Jennifer McCleary, MSW**, conditional of her signing a Consent Agreement and Order for unlicensed practice.

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to issue the RSW to **Bonny Kuerner**, conditional of her signing a Consent Agreement and Order for unlicensed practice.

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to approve the following applicants for registration as a Registered Social Worker:

Adams, Evelyn	Austin, Kayla
Butler-Keith, Myra	Byrd, Jessica
Coutee, Adria	Deal, Patricia
Degree, Charlotte	Hammond, Michelle
Jackson, Revia	James, Tanugla
Jarrett, Lakeisha	McCormick, Sandra
Mangum, Meshelle	Morris, Daria
Pania, Thelma	Richard, Jarred
Sims-Williams, Casonya	Smith, LaShandra
Smith, Tanya	Spooner, Cheryl
Stelly, Emily	Sterling, Jency
Trowel, Leslie	

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to approve the following applicants for the Certified Social Worker certification and to grant approval for the applicants to sit for the ASWB Masters examination for licensing as a Licensed Master Social Worker:

Bailey, Yaskia	Billiot, Katrina
Brown, Caroline	Butler, Linda
Chukwuani, Charles	Cowart, Catrice
Dailey, Lauren	Evans, Tamika
Jones, Shantrelle	Kaiser, Tyshica
Maddox, Tiffani	Olton, Erin
Phillips-Duplechien, Natalie	Prestenbach, Kimberly
Qadhafi, Akilah	Royal, Tanesha
Smith, Crystal	Taylor, Letriane

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to approve the following applicants to sit for the ASWB Clinical exam for licensing as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker:

Aubry, Michael	Broussard, Priscilla
Chandler, LeJeune	Diliberto, Stacy

Evans, Wendy
Hodge, Mariabarbara
Metzner, Simon
Paquet, Takiyah
Schimon, Tanya
Young, Shirley

Fox, Matthew
Mercke, Carrie
Muller, Mary
Ramirez, Sara
Wolf, Julie

Continuing Education Extension Requests

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Judith Haspel and unanimously carried, to grant **Karen Ricard, LCSW**, a six month extension to complete her continuing education hours.

Renewal Applications

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to deny the renewal application submitted by **Renee Gaubert, LMSW**. Ms. Gaubert has been offered a Compliance Hearing.

Motion was made by Carla Moore, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to deny the renewal application submitted by **Staci Talbot, LMSW**. Ms. Talbot has been offered a Compliance Hearing.

Motion was made by Robert Showers, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to deny the renewal application submitted by **Chiquita Savoy, RSW**. Ms. Savoy has been offered a Compliance Hearing.

Personnel Matter

Motion was made by Judith Haspel, seconded by John McBride and unanimously carried, to offer **Kathie Pohlman, LCSW**, the IPP Manager position.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to go into Executive Session at 1:26 p.m. for the following reasons:

to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person, provided that such person is notified in writing at least twenty-four hours before the meeting, and

to discuss prospective litigation.

Votes for going into Executive Session: Robert Showers, yes; John McBride, yes; Carla Moore, yes; Judith Haspel, yes and Parker Sternbergh, yes.

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Robert Showers and unanimously carried, to come out of Executive Session at 1:45 p.m.

IPP Monitoring Report

Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to accept the monitoring report.

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Motion was made by John McBride, seconded by Carla Moore and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

Lisa Lipsey, LCSW
Chairperson

Carla Moore, LMSW
Secretary-Treasurer