#### BOARD OF LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS MEETING MINUTES July 10, 2015

The Board of Licensed Social Workers met on July 10, 2015, at the office of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, 101 Northeast 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The meeting was held in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act and Open Meeting Act of Oklahoma.

#### **Members Present:** Absent:

Beverly Coon, LCSW
Durand Crosby, JD
Kelly Harmon, LMSW
Robert Lee, LCSW, Chairman
Kylene Rehder, Ed.D., LCSW
Connie Schlittler, LCSW
Sharolyn Wallace, LCSW

#### **Also Present:**

Karl Kramer, AAG James Marks, Executive Director Jinna Dreessen, Administrative Assistant

#### **Review and Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from the May 29, 2015, Board Meeting were reviewed. Ms. Wallace made the motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Ms. Harmon. The vote was as follows:

Beverly Coon - Yes
Durand Crosby - Yes
Kelly Harmon - Yes
Robert Lee - Yes
Kylene Rehder - Yes
Connie Schlittler - Abstain
Sharolyn Wallace - Yes

# Discussion and Possible Action: Personal appearance by Kasandra Turbett requesting approval of her application for LMSW-Provisional.

After discussion among board members and with Ms. Turbett regarding her request, Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve Ms. Turbett for LMSW-Provisional license. Seconded by Ms. Wallace. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Discussion and Possible Action: Personal appearance by Jared Maxwell requesting approval of his application for LMSW-Provisional, pending the receipt of his background check and official transcript.

After discussion among board members and with Mr. Maxwell regarding his request, Ms. Wallace made the motion to approve Mr. Maxwell for LMSW-Provisional license, pending the receipt of his clear background check and official transcript. Seconded by Ms. Harmon. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

# Discussion and Possible Action: Personal appearance by LouDonna Jefcoat requesting approval of her application for LMSW-Provisional.

Mr. Crosby recused himself and left the room. After discussion among board members and with Ms. Jefcoat regarding her request, Ms. Harmon made the motion to approve Ms. Jefcoat for LMSW-Provisional license. Seconded by Ms. Coon. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Mr. Crosby reentered the room.

# Discussion and Possible Action: Personal appearance by Vincent Ball requesting approval of his application for LCSW-Provisional.

After discussion among board members and with Mr. Ball regarding his request, Ms. Crosby made the motion to approve Mr. Ball for LCSW-Provisional license. Seconded by Ms. Coon. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

# Discussion and Possible Action: Personal appearance by Terah Finney requesting approval of her application for LMSW-Provisional.

After discussion among board members and with Ms. Finney regarding her request, Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve Ms. Finney for LMSW-Provisional. Seconded by Ms. Coon. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

# Discussion and Possible Action: Executive Director meeting with the Oklahoma Healthcare Authority Legal Division regarding resolution of contract issues between individuals who were not licensed or under formal board approved supervision.

James Marks provided overview of the situation between the Oklahoma Healthcare Authority (OHCA) and individuals seeking social work licensure who did not pass the clinical exam during their provisional year of licensure. Marks noted that the social work board did not require formal board approved supervision for an individual to remain eligible to make application Exam ID if they didn't pass the national exam during their provisional year prior to November 1, 2014. Marks further noted there were no rules or statutory requirements that required continued supervision. Marks informed the Board that approximately 35-50 people are facing significant payback situations with the OHCA and have since had their contracts terminated due to a licensing and/or supervision gap after the provisional year. It was reported to Marks by the OHCA that individuals under contract with them (OHCA) must either be licensed or under formal board approved supervision in order to remain eligible to receive compensation for services provided. Marks met with the legal division of the OHCA to discuss options for a possible resolution. The OHCA agreed that if the social work board could confirm that the supervision received within the agency was provided by an individual who was approved by the social work board as a Board Approved Supervisor, they would retroactively reinstate the contracts. Marks provided an attestation document to be completed and submitted by the Supervisor. Motion made by Schlittler to accept the attestation document created by Marks, and to retroactively approve and recognize supervision received upon receipt of the attestation document from the board approved supervisor. Seconded by Wallace. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Discussion and Possible Action: Personal Appearance by Terri Starr and Diana Shores

# requesting assistance from the Board of Directors toward resolution of contract dispute with the Oklahoma Healthcare Authority.

Related to the previous discussion item, Ms. Starr requested approval by the Board of Directors to accept her post provisional supervision, which was provided by an LMFT. The Board expressed concern as to whether or not they had legal authority to approve this type of request since we don't have regulatory oversight of other mental health licensees. Board Chair Lee asked Mr. Kramer and Mr. Marks to research this and report back to the Board. Ms. Schlittler made the motion to table until the next board meeting. Seconded by Ms. Harmon. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### **Applications for licensure were presented:**

Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve the following for LCSW-Provisional License: Rachel McBride

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve the following for LCSW-Exam ID:

**Shontrice Carey** 

Ann Frempong

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve the following for LCSW-Transfer:

Elizabeth Bell

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve the following for LMSW-Provisional License:

Meagan Walker

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve the following for LMSW-Provisional License, pending the receipt of an official transcript:

Stephanie Kimble

James Pollard

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve the following for LMSW-Provisional License, pending the receipt of a clear background check:

Melany Field

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Crosby made the motion to approve the following for LSWA-Provisional License:

Francis Velazquez Mendez

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Crosby left the board meeting.

Lunch from 11:37a.m. to 12:00p.m.

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve the following for LCSW-Provisional License:

Joseph Petty

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve the following for LCSW-Provisional License, pending the receipt of a clear background check:

Debra Hudgins

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve the following for LCSW-Exam ID:

Debra Cole

Ms. Rehder seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve the following for LCSW-Exam ID, pending the receipt of a clear background check:

Michelle Price

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Transfer:

April Viverette

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License:

Devon Gilbert

Margaret Shelton

Barbara Wright

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to approve the following for LMSW-Provisional, pending the receipt of an official transcript:

Natosha Markham

Ms. Rehder seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Rehder made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Provisional License:

Taleshea Johnson

Trishia Pratt

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Rehder made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Exam ID:

Vonetta Richardson

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Rehder made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License:

Brianne Higdon

Ann Smith

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Rehder made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional, pending the

#### receipt of a clear background check:

Vanessa Brown

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

# Ms. Rehder made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Transfer, pending the receipt of a clear background check:

Justin Gambill

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Wallace made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Provisional License:

Tionna Kulla

Martina Wiedel

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Wallace made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Exam ID:

Angela Shandy

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

# Ms. Wallace made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License, pending the receipt of a clear background check:

Ma'Toya Cato

**Timothy Hunt** 

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

## Ms. Wallace made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License, pending the receipt of an official transcript:

Ana Melendez Guevara

Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Wallace made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Transfer:

Leila Novelo

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Harmon made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Provisional License:

**Sherry Barrett** 

LaTasha Littleton

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Harmon made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License:

Yer Vang

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

### Ms. Harmon made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional, pending the receipt of a clear background check:

Amanda Elliott

Ralphena Jones

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Harmon made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional, pending the

#### receipt of an official transcript:

Grant Muse

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Harmon made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Transfer:

Ashton Yancy

Ms. Coon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Coon made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Provisional License:

Michael Kurle

Catherine Wooddell

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Coon made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Exam ID:

Melissa Fields

Sandra Shrum

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Coon made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License:

**Stacy Morris** 

Chong Vang

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

### Ms. Coon made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License, pending the receipt of an official transcript:

Lance Corter

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Ms. Coon made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Transfer:

Kina Wilkening

Ms. Harmon seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Schlittler took over chair from Mr. Lee.

#### Mr. Lee made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Provisional License:

Natalie Haymaker

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

## Mr. Lee made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Provisional License, pending the receipt of a clear background check:

Gay Peterson

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Mr. Lee made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Exam ID:

Ashley Loewen

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Mr. Lee made the motion to approve the following for LCSW, Transfer:

Barbara Severson-Olson

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

#### Mr. Lee made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License:

Laura Pollard

Summer Suffridge

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Lee made the motion to approve the following for LMSW, Provisional License, pending the receipt of an official transcript:

Chloe Kliewer

Kimberly Wasson

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Lee made the motion to approve the following for BAS-Clinical:

Patti Colston

Ms. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Discussion and Possible Action: SFY 2016 Proposed Budget – Executive Director Marks

Ms. Schlittler made the motion to accept the budget. Seconded by Ms. Wallace. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Kramer presented an overview of the statutory requirements and agency rule for the complaint procedure and complaint committee process.

Mr. Kramer presented the Complaint Log to the Board.

Discussion and possible action: Complaint 2015-07:

Ms. Coon made to motion to proceed with hiring an investigator to investigate this complaint. Ms. Schlittler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Marks presented the Executive Director's report. The report included the following:

- Notification Letters Provisional Licenses
- ASWB Update
- Meeting with OMES Amanda System
- Agency FTE Update

Meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.