



OKLAHOMA State Board of Licensed Social Workers

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MEETING MINUTES

January 23rd, 2026

The Oklahoma State Board of Licensed Social Workers met at 10am on January 23rd, 2026, at the Oklahoma Office of the Chief Medical Examiner at 921 Northeast 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. The meeting was held in accordance with the *Administrative Procedures Act* and *Open Meeting Act of Oklahoma*.

Members Present:

Chair Angela Dickson, LCSW – Board Chair
Melanie McKinley, LCSW – Board Vice-Chair
April Courouleau, LMSW/LCSW – Board Secretary
Beverly Coon, LMSW/LCSW - Board Member
Cindy Hansen - Board Public Member

Members Absent:

Andrew Monroe, LCSW - Board Member
Deborah Johnson, Ph.D., LCSW – NASW President

Agenda Item 1: Roll Call of Board Members:

Meeting called to order at 10:10am. A quorum was met with five (5) Board members present to begin the meeting.

Agenda Item 2: Review and possible amendment and/or approval for the October 30th, 2025 meeting minutes:

Ms. Courouleau made a motion to approve the October 2025 board minutes. Second by Ms. McKinley. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 3. Financial report from the Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) by Emily Langdon.

Ms. Patton appeared on behalf of the Office of Management of Enterprise Services (OMES) to present the financial report. No questions by the Board of Directors. Ms. Courouleau made a motion to accept financial report offered by OMES representative. Second by Ms. McKinley. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 4. Discussion and Possible Action: Personal Appearance by Kristine Johnson was scheduled. She did not appear and submitted letter in lieu of her appearance.

Letter reviewed by board members. After responding to questions presented by the Board of Directors, Ms. Coon made the motion to deny Ms. Johnson's application request and refund her application fee. Second by Ms. McKinley. Vote was as follows: Courouleau – No; Coon – Yes; Dickson – No; McKinley – No; Hansen – No

Motion failed.

Second motion made by Ms. Courouleau to deny application request and deny refund request. Second by Ms. McKinley. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 5(A): Discussion and possible action on the following Citizen Complaints filed against social workers:

i. Complaint 2025-288, Individual proceeding - State of Oklahoma, ex rel., State Board of Licensed Social Workers vs. Emily Bumpus, LMSW.

Mr. Kramer presented complaint information and proposed consent decree to Board of Directors for consideration. After discussion and clarifying questions were answered, Ms. Coon made a motion to accept proposed consent decree for complaint number 2025-288. Second by Ms. Courouleau. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 5(A)(ii) through 5(A)(xiv): Discussion and possible action on the following Citizen Complaints filed against social workers:

- ii. Complaint 2025-304 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- iii. Complaint 2025-310; 2025-311; 2025-312 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- iv. Complaint 2025-313 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- v. Complaints 2025-314; 315 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- vi. Complaints 2025-316; 317; 319; 320; 325; 328; 334; 335; 338 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- vii. Complaint 2025-318 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- viii. Complaint 2025-322 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal without prejudice.**
- ix. Complaint 2025-324 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- x. Complaint 2025-326 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- xi. Complaint 2025-327 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal with a letter of concern.**
- xii. Complaint 2025-329; 331 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- xiii. Complaint 2025-330 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**
- xiv. Complaint 2025-337 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.**

Ms. Coon made the motion to accept the recommendation of the complaint committee to dismiss the complaints as set out in agenda item 5(A)(ii) through 5(A)(xiv) of the meeting agenda for the Board meeting held today. Second by Ms. Dickson. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

B. Presentation of the Complaint Log to the Board. No action.

Agenda Item 6: Discussion and possible action: approval of online application submissions reviewed and vetted by Board staff.

Ms. Coon made the motion to approve the applications noted on the agenda. Second by Ms. McKinley. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 7: Discussion and possible action: Public hearing for comments by members of the public regarding proposed permanent amendments to rules of the Board to be considered for adoption by the Board for submission to the Governor and Legislature of Oklahoma for consideration during the next session of the Legislature. Amendments are proposed for the following rules:

Chapter 1 – Administrative Operations

675: 1-1-1.1 Definitions

675: 1-1-3 Makeup of Board

675: 1-1-9 Fee Schedule

Chapter 3 – Individual Proceedings

675: 3-1-3 Complaint Procedure

Chapter 10 – Licensure Requirements

675: 10-1-1.1 Approved Social Work Program

675: 10-1-4 Requirements for Private or Independent Practice

675: 10-1-6 Continuing Education

675: 10-1-15 Reciprocity – Endorsement

675: 10-1-16 Provisional license

Chapter 12 – Guidelines for Supervision

675: 12-1-4 Supervision and private or independent practice

675: 12-1-6 Board Approved Supervisors

675: 12-1-8 Out of State Supervision

Chapter 15 – Guidelines for Continuing Education

675: 15-1-3 Continuing education standards

675: 15-1-4 Content of continuing education learning activities

675: 15-1-7 Suggested criteria for accepting category III continuing education activities

Chapter 20 – Code of Provisional Conduct

675: 20-1-4 Social worker's ethical responsibility to clients

Director Marks provided a summary overview of the proposed amendments to agency rules. No comments were received by the public. Ms. McKinley made the motion to adopt the rule amendments. Second by Ms. Dickson. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 8: Mr. Marks presented the Executive Director's report. The report included the following:

- Renewals
- Licensure Presentations
- Legislative Update
- Agency Rules – Next Steps
- Interstate Compact Update
- HB 3330

Agenda Item 9: New business: None

Agenda Item 10: Adjournment:

Ms. Coon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:10am. Second by Ms. McKinley.
Five (5) ayes; Zero (0) nays.

Adjournment at 11:10am.