



OKLAHOMA State Board of Licensed Social Workers

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MEETING MINUTES

May 29th, 2026

The Oklahoma State Board of Licensed Social Workers met at 10am on May 29th, 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 Courouveau, LMSW/LCSW – Board Secretary
Beverly Coon, LMSW/LCSW - Board Member
Andrew Monroe, LCSW - Board Member

Members Absent:

Cindy Hansen - Board Public Member
Deborah Johnson, Ph.D., LCSW – NASW President

Agenda Item 1: Roll Call of Board Members:

Meeting called to order at 10:02am. A quorum was met with four (4) Board members present to begin the meeting. Board member Coon arrived at the meeting at 10:09am. Meeting was held with a total of five (5) board members present moving forward from 10:09am.

Agenda Item 2: Acknowledgement to Board Member Coon.

The Board of Directors recognized Board Member Coon for 10 years of Board service. During her tenure, Ms. Coon served in all three Board Officer positions. She will be missed.

Agenda Item 3: Introduction of members of the public attending meeting.

Megan Linville will begin serving as NASW President effective July 1st, 2026. She was present and introduced to the Board of Directors. Others present were those on the agenda scheduled for a personal appearance. Also present to observe the meeting was Eric Noreen, OU graduate student.

Agenda Item 4: Review and possible amendment and/or approval of meeting minutes for the January 23rd, 2026 and March 27th, 2026 board meetings:

Mr. Monroe made a motion to approve the January 2026 and March 2026 board meeting minutes. Second by Ms. Courouveau. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 5. Discussion and Possible Action: Personal Appearance by Afton Kessinger requesting approval of her application for the Licensed Master's Social Work Provisional License.

Ms. Kessinger provided a summary overview of information disclosed regarding her application request. After responding to questions presented by the Board of Directors, Ms. Coon made the motion to approve Ms. Kessinger's application for the LMSW Provisional License. Second by Ms. McKinley. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 6. Discussion and Possible Action: Personal Appearance by Victoria Link requesting approval of her application for the Licensed Master's Social Work Provisional License.

Ms. Link provided a summary overview of information disclosed regarding her application request. After responding to questions presented by the Board of Directors, Mr. Monroe made the motion to approve Ms. Link's application for the LMSW Provisional License. Second by Ms. Courouveau. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 7. Discussion and Possible Action: Personal Appearance by Madison Hendrix requesting approval of her application for the Licensed Master's Social Work License.

Ms. Hendrix provided a summary overview of information disclosed regarding her application request. After responding to questions presented by the Board of Directors, Ms. Coon made the motion to approve Ms. Hendrix's application for the LMSW License. Second by Mr. Monroe. Vote was as follows:

Dickson – No

McKinley – Yes

Courouveau – Yes

Monroe – Yes

Coon – Yes

Motion carried. Application request approved.

Agenda Item 8(A): Discussion and possible action on the following Citizen Complaints filed against social workers:

- i. Complaint 2025-291, Individual proceeding - State of Oklahoma, ex rel., State Board of Licensed Social Workers vs. Jennifer Mitchell, LMSW. The Board may conduct an executive session pursuant to Article II of the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, 75 O.S. § 309(D), and the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. § 307(B)(8). The Board may also conduct an executive session pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. § 307(B)(7), to receive information from the Respondent and Board staff for

the limited purpose of discussing matters where disclosure of information would violate confidentiality requirements of state or federal law.

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 2025-291. Second by Ms. Courouleau. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 8(A)(ii) through 8(A)(xiv): Discussion and possible action on the following Citizen Complaints filed against social workers:

- ii. Complaint 2025-323 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- iii. Complaint 2025-332 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- iv. Complaint 2025-336 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- v. Complaint 2026-341 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- vi. Complaint 2026-342 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- vii. Complaint 2026-348 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- viii. Complaint 2026-350 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- ix. Complaint 2026-351 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- x. Complaint 2026-353 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- xi. Complaint 2026-354 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- xii. Complaint 2026-357 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- xiii. Complaint 2026-359 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.
- xiv. Complaint 2026-361 Complaint Committee recommends dismissal.

Mr. Monroe made the motion to accept the recommendation of the complaint committee to dismiss the complaints as set out in agenda item 8(A)(ii) through 8(A)(xiv) of the meeting agenda, excluding 8(A)(xii) for the Board meeting held today. Second by Ms. Coon. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

At 11:07, Board Chair Dickson turned chair responsibilities over to Vice-Chair McKinley, recused herself and left the meeting. Mr. Monroe made the motion to accept the recommendation of the complaint committee to dismiss the complaint as out in agenda item 8(A)(xii) for the Board meeting held today. Second by Ms. Coon. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Board Chair Dickson returned to the meeting at 11:10am and resumed Board Chair responsibilities.

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

Agenda Item 9: Discussion and possible action: approval of online application submissions reviewed and vetted by Board staff.

Ms. Courouleau made the motion to approve the applications noted on the agenda. Second by Mr. Monroe. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Agenda Item 10: Mr. Marks presented the Executive Director's report. The report included the following:

- a. Licensure Presentations
- b. Legislative Update
 - i. SB 878
 - ii. HB 1818
- c. Agency Rules – HJR 1086

Agenda Item 11: New business:

None

Agenda Item 12: Adjournment:

In her final act as a sitting Board Member, Ms. Coon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:28am. Second by Mr. Monroe.

Five (5) ayes; Zero (0) nays. Adjournment at 11:28am