IOWA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
5th Floor Board Room
Lucas State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa
Conference Call
MINUTES
September 13, 2010

The August 9, 2010 meeting was re-scheduled due to the lack of a quorum. The Board convened to conduct official business on September 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by David Stout, Chair, at 9:01 am

Roll Call

Members Present:
Beth Harms
Katinka Keith
Krista Mattson
David Stone
David Stout

Members Absent:
LaMark Combs
Mary Tasler

Staff present:
Barb Huey, Bureau Chief
Marvin Firch, Interim Board Executive
Heather Adams, AAG
Sara Scott, AAG
Paulette Lappe, Clerk Specialist

Public in Attendance:
Kelli Soyer

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the May 10, 2010 meeting were approved as presented (MSC: Stone/Harms)

Minutes from the May 27, 2010 meeting were approved as presented (MSC: Stone/Harms)

Minutes from the June 17, 2010 meeting were approved as presented (MSC: Stone/Harms)

Public Comment:

On behalf of the NASW, Kelli Soyer reported a recent ruling by the Supreme Court allowing defendants access to the victim's mental health history. The focus of the ruling is to provide a defendant the opportunity to question a victim's mental condition as contributing to the crime. This ruling initiate's great concern among the mental health professionals and may be problematic in the future.

Kelli Soyer also suggested the Board evaluate online courses offered by a particular organization who is granting many continuing education credits with minimal study required. Kelly Soyer will provide information to be presented at the next board meeting.

Kelli Soyer requested in the future the board review and revise the Frequently Asked Questions document posted on the board website regarding LBSW, LMSW, and LISW Practice.

Reports:

Bureau Chief – Barb Huey, who began her new responsibilities as Bureau Chief for Professional Licensure on July 23, 2010, introduced herself to the Board and gave a brief overview of her work experience.

Chair – David Stout announced the Ad Hoc Committee met in April and August. The committee's suggestions will be reported in greater detail later in the meeting by Kelli Soyer.

Administrator- Marvin Firch, Interim Social Work Board Executive, reported Pierce Wilson has returned from medical leave however, Marvin will continue to assist and be involved with the Social Work Board until further notice.

AAG- Sara Scott, a new Assistant Attorney General assigned to the Professional Licensure Bureau, introduced herself to the Board and briefly stated her educational background and work experience.

Administrative Rules

For Adoption

- Chapter 4 – Audit of continuing education

  David Stone made the motion to adopt the proposed rule changes in Chapter 4 and Beth Harms seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Waiver – Emily Jackson (Deferred from February meeting). After reviewing the additional information requested by the Board, Katinka Keith made a motion to deny the waiver and David Stone seconded. Motion to deny passed unanimously.

LMSWs in private practice as "contract" employees – No further information has been received from Ms. Pfeifer or Ms McDowell. Marvin will send another letter requesting the information this item will be tabled until further information is received.

New Business:

Kelli Soyer – Proposed language for rule changes for Chapter 280 and 281. Kelli presented the proposed changes suggested by the Ad Hoc Committee to the Board. The Board will consider the recommendations.

Kelli LaMar – Petition for Waiver – ASWB exam for reactivation of license. A motion was made by Keith and seconded by Harms to approve the waiver. Motion carried.

David Marxuach – Petition for Waiver-Reactivation Fee. A motion to deny the waiver was made by David Stout and seconded by David Stone. Motion carried.

Amanda Coorough- Petition for Waiver-Accept Clinical exam for LMSW licensure. Motion to approve the waiver was made by David Stone and seconded by Katinka Keith. Motion carried.

Bonni Herpst – Petition for Waiver- ASWB exam for reactivation of license. David Stone made the motion to approve the waiver and Beth Harms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nicole Van Ginkel – Petition for Waiver - LISW Supervisor requirements. David Stone made the motion to approve and Krista Mattson seconded. Motion carried.

Closed Session:

The Board went into closed session in accordance to Iowa Code 21.5(1) a and d for discussion at approximately 10:45 am (MSC: Keith/Harms)

The Board returned to open session at approximately 10:53 am (MSC: Stone/Keith) and took the following actions:

A motion was made to approve the settlement agreements with Gloria Billings and Glenn Allen. (MSC: Keith/Stone). Motion carried.

Hearing:

Hearing for David Huebner began at 11:00 am with ALJ Margaret LaMarche presiding. The Board went into closed session in accordance to Iowa Code 21.5(1) f for deliberation at approximately 12:35 pm (MSC: Keith/Stone)

The Board returned to open session at approximately 1:19 p.m.(MSC: Keith/Stone) and took the following actions: A motion was made by Katinka Keith and seconded by David Stone for Judge LaMarche to draft the decision in respect to the board deliberations.

Closed Session:

The Board went into closed session in accordance to Iowa Code 21.5(1) f for discussion at approximately 1:20 pm (MSC: Keith/Harms)

The Board returned to open session at approximately 1:27 p.m. (MSC: Mattson/Harms) and took the following actions:

A motion was made to approve the Motion to Dismiss Charges related to Robin Harris (MSC: Mattson/Harms). Motion carried.

Complaints:
The Board will go into closed session to discuss complaints in accordance with Iowa Code 21.5(1) a and d by unanimous roll call vote, the Board enters closed session at approximately 1:35 pm. (MSC: Keith/Stout)
The Board returned to open session at approximately 1:59 p.m. (MSC: Keith/Stone) and took the following actions:

09 - 024 Accept & File Statement of Charges (MSC: Mattson/Stout)
08 - 010 Accept & File Statement of Charges (MSC: Mattson/Stout)

Applications

- Tesha Dobling- Further information – The Board requested a job description.
- Bridget Boehmer-Campbell – Supervision Plan & logged hours- Reviewed and accepted.
- Lori Bushman – Exam Approval. The Board requested further information.

Future Board Meetings

The next regular meeting of the Board is November 8, 2010.

Adjournment:
The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:57 pm (MSC: Stout/Stone)

Respectfully Reported
Paulette Lappe, Recorder