Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Ethics Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 7, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.
Hobby Building, Tower II
333 Guadalupe, Room 500
Austin TX 78756-3183

Minutes

Board Members Present:
Tim Brown, Professional Member
Dorinda Noble, Professional Member
Jeannie McGuire, Professional Member

Board Members Absent:
Matt Shaheen, Public Member

Staff Present:
Charles Horton
Dan Meador
Champ Kerr
Steve Slough
Gerard Bonner
Darryl Reed
Georgia Norman

Guests Present:
Margarita Chester
Mitzie McKinnis
Don Bentz
Alison Cook
Ernesto Sanchez
Cynthia Alonzo
Dennis Driggers
Clint Taylor
Fred Davis
Judith Badger
Kathy Rider
Carolyn Morrison
Carol Miller
Lesa Warren
Elizabeth Higginbotham

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 1:58 pm by Mr. Brown, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes from the May 4, 2007 Ethics Committee meeting. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion on the following pending complaints:

Complaint # 1072070051 (JB) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072060091 (JO) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to table this complaint for an additional investigation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070038 (DB) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.
Complaint # 1072070042 (AC) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070062 (CA) was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as unsubstantiated. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070044 (AL) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070036 (LW) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072060093 (VH) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to propose a 1-year probated suspension with board approved social work supervision, quarterly reporting and 6 hours of continuing education in professional boundaries. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070046 (BF) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to close this complaint with a letter of advisement regarding the release of records. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070053 (DM) was discussed. A motion was made by Dr. Noble to close this complaint with a letter of advisement regarding representation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072070081 (JV) was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. McGuire to accept the surrender. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding the executive director’s report on cases where disciplinary actions have been recommended, Informal Settlement Conferences have been held or SOAH hearings have been requested:

SW-02-021 (LC) is still pending.
SW-04-101 (MS) is pending an informal conference.
SW-05-009 (SS) is pending SOAH.
SW-05-113 (EL) is pending SOAH.
SW-05-124 (LF) is pending agreement.
SW-06-013 (JC) is pending agreement.
SW-06-071 (CW) was closed with advisement.
SW-06-089 (TS) has requested an informal conference.
SW-05-091 (SGC) is pending SOAH.
SW-06-032 & SW-04-054 (VA) is still pending.
SW-06-036 (TI) has requested SOAH.
1072060101 (JM) has requested an informal conference.
1072060110 (BB) is pending agreement.
1072060092 (FC) has accepted the disciplinary action.
1072070013 (FC) has accepted the disciplinary action.
**Agenda Item 5** was the discussion relating to proposed changes in 22 Texas Administrative Code 781 (board rules) regarding the code of conduct and professional standards of practice of social workers and general matters related to the regulation of social workers. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 6** was to set the next committee meeting date(s). The committee will meet on August 3, 2007.

**Agenda Item 7** was public comment. There was no public comment.

**Agenda Item 8** was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

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Tim Brown, Chairman