

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Licensing Standards and Qualification Committee
September 9, 2011 at 8:30 am
Baylor University School of Social Work
811 Washington Avenue, Room 320
Waco, TX 76701

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Tim Brown, Professional Member
Nary Spears, Professional Member
Nancy Pearson, Professional Member
Terry Argumaniz-Gomez, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Carol Miller
Georgia Norman
Stewart Myrick
Carolyn Wright

Guests Present:

Karen Royer	Johnell Fernandez
Natalie Olive	Mary Beth Arcidiano
Tina Sheppard	Kirstin Painter
Tiffany Forsyth	Mayra Cruz-Herrera
Marilyn Foster	Liliana Lopez
Cynthia Manzano	Nora Eades

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 8:45 am by Mr. Brown, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2011, Licensing Standards and Qualification Committee meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Spears to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion regarding licensing qualification issues for the following individuals:

The application/request for Karen Royer was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Sherell Jina Sheppard was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to deny the request. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Cynthia Manzano was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Gomez to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Johnell Fernandez was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to deny the request. The motion was seconded and discussed. The motion passed.

The application/request for Mary Beth Arcidiacono was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Gomez to approve the February 2011 plan. The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

The application/request for Kirstin Painter was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Liliana Lopez was discussed. Ms. Spears was recused. A motion was made by Ms. Gomez to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Mayra Cruz-Herrera was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve pending completion of requirements. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Nora Eades was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve her request upon receipt of additional information. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Naomi Freireich was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Gomez to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Stacie M. Waters was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Spears to approve upon receipt of additional information. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Donald Brothers was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Gomez to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Carrie Christal was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Donald H. Dever was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to deny the request. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Kristy Every was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to require additional information. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Elva Gaytan Smallwood was discussed. Ms. Gomez was recused.. A motion was made by Ms. Spears to deny and require reapplication. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Lisa Guillory was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to table. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Sheree Oliver was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Stacey Scheufler was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve upon completion of additional stipulations. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Elizabeth Tidd was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to require additional information. The motion was seconded and passed.

The application/request for Brittani Woods was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Gomez to table this request. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding Supervision Training Course approval requested by Linda Mockeridge, LCSW. A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to approve upon amendments. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion regarding the creation of a checklist/informational guide for clinical supervision plans.

Agenda Item 6 was to set the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be December 2, 2011.

Agenda Item 7 was public comment. One person addressed the board.

Agenda Item 8 was to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Rules Committee
September 9, 2011 at 2:00 pm or
Baylor University School of Social Work
811 Washington Avenue, Room 320
Waco, TX 76701

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Mark Talbot, Public Member
Stewart Geise, Public Member
Nary Spears, Professional Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Carol Miller
Georgia Norman
Carolyn Wright

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 2:00 pm by Mr. Talbot, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2011 Rules Committee meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion regarding Title 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 781, concerning the licensure and regulation of social workers related to requirements for providing forensic social work services. A motion was made by Mr. Brown for no action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion related to items for future consideration. Ms. Miller discussed the timeframe for rule changes.

Agenda Item 5 was to set the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting dates will be December 1-3, 2011.

Agenda Item 6 was public comment No public comment.

Agenda Item 7 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned.

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Professional Development Committee
September 9, 2011 at 2:30 pm
Baylor University School of Social Work
811 Washington Avenue, Room 320
Waco, TX 76701

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Stewart Geise, Public Member
Nary Spear, Professional Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member
Terri Argumaniz-Gomez, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Carol Miller
Georgia Norman
Carolyn Wright

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order by Mr. Geise, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2011 Professional Development Committee meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Gomez to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion regarding the completion of the requirements for the Alternative Method of Examining Competency (AMEC) program participants.

A motion was made by Ms. Spears to allow the following individuals to begin the probationary period:

Crystal Haas
Vivian Minns
Aileen Palacios
Krissel Valenzuela

The motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made by Ms. Spears approve the following individuals who have completed portfolios and approved for full licensure:

Bibiana Alvarado
Lisa Thomas-Vernon
Chinh Trieu
Seneca Farris
Jennifer Acosta-Corella
Lubna Khurshid

The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding continuing education provider audits. Mr. Myrick gave the report.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion regarding the board's jurisprudence examination. Ms. Miller gave the report.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion regarding limiting and defining the minimum requirements for CE programs in which a facilitator/presenter is not available in real-time to communicate and interact with participants. Ms. Miller gave the report. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to forward this topic to the Rules Committee for review. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion regarding clarification from NASW/TX about whether CE credits may be granted if the organization solicits "white papers" from members. Ms. Miller gave the report. A motion was made by Ms. Spears to decline. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 8 was the discussion regarding website content related to new rules and other information.

Agenda Item 9 was to set the next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be December 1-3, 2011.

Agenda Item 10 was public comment. No public comment.

Agenda Item 11 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Board Meeting
September 9, 2011 at 3:00 pm
Baylor University School of Social Work
811 Washington Avenue, Room 320
Waco, TX 76701

Agenda

Board Members Present:

Stewart Geise, Public Member
Terry Argumaniz-Gomez, Professional Member
Nary Spears, Professional Member
Tim Brown, Professional Member
Mark Talbot, Public Member
Nancy Pearson, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Carol Miller
Georgia Norman
Carolyn Wright

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 3:33 am by Mr. Brown, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was the approval of the minutes of the June 4, 2011, meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Geise to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion regarding reports from the following Board Committees:

Mr. Brown gave the Licensing Standards and Qualifications Committee report.. The committee reviewed 21 cases, of which 13 cases were approved, 4 cases were denied and 4 cases were tabled. The committee discussed the supervision training course approval requested by Linda Mockeridge, LCSW. The committee also discussed the creation of a checklist/informational guide for clinical supervision plans and Title 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 781, concerning the licensure and regulation of social workers related to minimum requirements for providing forensic social work services. A motion was made by Ms. Spears to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Talbot gave the Rules Committee report. The committee discussed Title 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 781, concerning the licensure and regulation of social workers related to minimum requirements for providing forensic social work services. A motion was made to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Geise gave the Professional Development Committee report. The committee discussed applicants for entry into the Alternative Method of Examining Competency (AMEC) program and approval for full licensure of program participants completing the program requirements, continuing education provider audits, the board's jurisprudence examination, limiting and defining the minimum requirements for CE programs in which a facilitator/presenter is not available in real-time to communicate and interact with participants and clarification from NASW/TX about whether CE credits may be granted if the organization solicits white papers from members.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding the Order for final action for the following licensees:

The Agreed Order for Loro Ahart was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to accept the order. The motion was seconded and passed.

The Agreed Order for Mary Booker was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to accept the order. The motion was seconded and passed.

The Agreed Order for Ann Woods was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to accept the order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion regarding request by and MOU from Texas Nurses Foundation/Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses to be a board-approved Peer Professionals Program, as Texas Monitoring and Assistance Program for Professionals (TMAPP). Ms. Miller gave the report.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion regarding adoption of a board policy relating to the closure of Ethics Cases related to disputes by a party to an adjudicated court case, under certain circumstances. Ms. Miller gave the report. A motion was by Mr. Geise to adopt the policy. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 7 was the report from the Board Chair and update concerning current challenges and accomplishments; interaction with stakeholders, state officials, and staff; committee appointments and functions; workload of board members; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the board. Mr. Brown gave the report.

Agenda Item 8 was the report from the Executive Director and update concerning program operations; customer service accomplishments, inquiries, and challenges; current and/or historical licensee statistics; media, legislative, and stakeholder contacts and concerns; workload processing; special projects assigned to executive director; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the licensure program. Ms. Miller gave the report.

Agenda Item 9 was the Management report and update from the Professional Licensing and Certification Unit manager, including unit organization and staffing; program costs and revenue; current operational initiatives; customer service accomplishments and challenges; workload processing and statistical information; status of rulemaking within the unit; legislative and media contacts and tracking; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the unit. Ms. Miller gave the report.

Agenda Item 10 was public comment. One person addressed the board.

Agenda Item 11 was to schedule the next meeting(s). The next meeting date will be December 1-3, 2011.

Agenda Item 12 was items for future consideration. There were none.

Agenda Item 13 was announcements and comments not requiring board action. There were none.

Agenda Item 14 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.