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MICHIGAN BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK MEETING OF JANUARY 27, 2009

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Social Work met in regular session on January 27, 2009 at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Anwar Najor-Durack, L.M.S.W., Vice-Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m.

Members Present: Alan Semonian, Public Member
Emily Jean McFadden, L.M.S.W.
Matthew Wojack, L.M.S.W.
Dara Munson, Public Member (arrived 9:48 a.m.)
Anwar Najor-Durack, M.S.W., L.M.S.W., Vice-Chairperson

Members Absent: Allen Cushingberry, Psy.D.
Ronald Calery, L.M.S.W.

Staff Present: Bonnie Curtis, Secretary
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division
Amy Shell, Manager, Licensing Division
Stephanie Rosenthal, Analyst, Enforcement Section
Tim Andrews, Manager, Licensing Division (left 9:53 a.m.)
Susan Balkema, Assistant Attorney General
Bill Hurth, Manager, Enforcement Section (arrived 10:12 a.m.)

Others Present: Maxine Thome – NASW-MI
Robin Mingus – NASW-MI
Jerry Gardner – Elite CME
Tom Sparks – Butzel Long

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by McFadden, seconded by Semonian, to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2008 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Wojack, seconded by McFadden, to approve the agenda with the following amendment:

Under **OLD BUSINESS**, **E. Definition of Pain Management** will be included in **A. CE Committee Report**

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

CE COMMITTEE REPORT

McFadden reported the Collaborative is ready to hire a part-time staff person to help with reviews.

McFadden stated the Collaborative has requested that the Board discuss the issue of home study courses and how many hours are permissible for continuing education credit. She stated that the CE committee will examine the amount and types of home study and will make a recommendation to the Board.

McFadden advised that the Collaborative is aware of an organization that is advertising a course as being approved by the Collaborative when in fact it is not approved. McFadden suggested that the Collaborative send a letter to the organization providing information on the approval process and cautioning against false advertising.

McFadden stated that the Collaborative has developed a definition of pain management and read that definition to Board members.

Motion by McFadden, seconded by Wojack, to accept the definition of pain management.

MOTION PREVAILED

COLLABORATIVE REPORT

Mingus reported that there will be an increase in provider fees effective February 1, 2009. She stated that this information is on the Collaborative website along with a revised application for in-person classes.

COMMITTEE ON SCOPE & IMPACT OF SOCIAL WORK LICENSING

Najor-Durack reported that the committee is still working on mailing out letters.

Ramsdell advised that the PowerPoint presentation outlining the regulatory process is now available online.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TASKFORCE LIAISON

Wojack reported that he conveyed questions from the Board to the Taskforce, one being the difference between L.B.S.W. and the Certified Addictions Counselor (CAC) certification. He stated that CAC does not require a degree.

Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion by McFadden, seconded by Najor-Durack, to elect Wojack as chairperson.

MOTION PREVAILED

Wojack was elected chairperson.

Motion by Wojack, seconded by McFadden, to re-elect Najor-Durack as vice-chairperson.

MOTION PREVAILED

Najor-Durack was re-elected vice-chairperson.

RESOLUTION – STANISLAW

Najor-Durack read a resolution for former Board member Stanislaw honoring his years of service to the Board.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Shell reported that the Association for Social Work Boards will hold three (3) new board member orientations this year and will provide funding for one (1) board member to attend.

Ramsdell reported on the new medical marijuana program.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

KEITH DEMETRIC BULLOCK, L.B.S.W. – BOARD'S FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSION OF LAW

Najor-Durack recused herself.

Motion by McFadden, seconded by Semonian, to accept the Board's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and deny reinstatement, in the matter of Keith Demetric Bullock, L.M.S.W.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – McFadden, Munson, Semonian and Wojack

MOTION PREVAILED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gardner introduced himself and provided members with results of a survey completed by individuals who had taken the home study courses provided by his company. He then reviewed the survey.

Thome stated that the Collaborative is discussing home study courses.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held March 24, 2009 at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Wojack, seconded by McFadden, to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 a.m.


Anwar Najor-Durack, L.M.S.W., Vice-Chairperson

5-12-09
Date Minutes Approved


Bonnie Curtis, Secretary

1-27-09
Date Minutes Prepared