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MICHIGAN BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK MARCH 22, 2022

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Social Work met on March 22, 2022, at 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Dena Marks, Departmental Specialist called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Petra Alsoofy, Public Member
Danielle Hoover, LMSW, QIDP
Janet Joiner, PhD, LMSW
Maria Petrides, LMSW
Maxine Thome, PhD, LMSW, MPH
Rochelle Vrsek, LMSW
Victor Weipert, Jr., Public Member

Members Absent: Julian Diaz, LMSW, Vice Chairperson
Jasmine Calhoun, Public Member

Staff Present: Laury Brown, Senior Analyst, Compliance Section
Dena Marks, Departmental Specialist, Boards and Committee Section
LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Thome, seconded by Hoover, to approve the agenda, with the removal of 7.C. from the agenda.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Petrides, seconded by Alsoofy, to approve the January 25, 2022, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Petition for Reinstatement

Joseph Eugene Mojet, LMSW

MOTION by Joiner, seconded by Alsoofy, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Joiner, seconded by Thome, to grant the Petition for Reinstatement if within 30 days the Petitioner provides satisfactory evidence of completing community service or volunteer activities during the period of suspension. If evidence is not provided within 30 days, license remains suspended. If the license is reinstated, the Petitioner is placed on probation for a minimum of one year, which is only reduced while employed as a social worker, requiring quarterly meetings with a pre-approved LMSW to review professional practice, focusing on boundaries and ethical issues, quarterly reports from reviewer advising of work performance or reports from Petitioner of non-employment. Petitioner must comply with the Public Health Code.

Petrides stepped out of the room and did not vote.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Hoover, Joiner, Thome, Vrsek, Weipert
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Proposal for Decision

Amanda Jane Galbreath, LLMSW

MOTION by Vrsek, seconded by Alsoofy, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny the Petition for Reinstatement.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Hoover, Joiner, Petrides, Thome, Vrsek,
Weipert
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Brian DeWayne, LMSW

Hoover recused herself.

MOTION by Thome, seconded by Joiner, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Joiner, seconded by Alsoofy, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny the Petition for Reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Joiner, Petrides, Vrsek
Nays: Thome, Weipert

MOTION PREVAILED

Melvin Hoberman, LMSW

MOTION by Alsoofy, seconded by Joiner, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Alsoofy, seconded by Vrsek, to accept the Proposal for Decision in part and rejected in part. The matter was tabled to draft a rewrite finding that Petitioner had not satisfied the requirements and guidelines for reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Hoover, Joiner, Petrides, Thome, Vrsek,
Weipert

Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Continuing Education Waiver Requests

Lois Courter, LMSW

MOTION by Hoover, seconded by Alsoofy, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Hoover, seconded Joiner, to grant the request for a Continuing Education Waiver.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Hoover, Joiner, Petrides, Thome, Vrsek,
Weipert
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Paul Neitman, LMSW

MOTION by Alsoofy, seconded by Joiner, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Joiner, seconded by Vrsek, to deny the Continuing Education Waiver Request.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Hoover, Joiner, Petrides, Thome, Vrsek,
Nays: Weipert

MOTION PREVAILED

Henry Williams, LMSW

MOTION by Thome, seconded by Joiner, to deny the Continuing Education Waiver Request.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Joiner, Petrides, Thome, Vrsek,
Nays: Weipert
Recuse: Hoover

MOTION PREVAILED

Vice Chairperson Election

MOTION by Hoover, seconded by Joiner, to nominate herself, as Vice Chairperson.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Alsoofy, Hoover, Joiner, Petrides, Thome, Vrsek,
Weipert
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Chair Report

No Report

Department Update

Marks informed the Board that Debra Gagliardi was no longer Director of the Bureau of Professional Licensing and the Amy Gumbrecht had been named Acting Director of the Bureau of Professional Licensing.

Marks informed the Board that there will be a new member training session via Zoom on August 15, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. All members are welcome to attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robin Simpson stated there has been some confusion with LMSW and LBSW continuing education during COVID and what is acceptable.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held March 24, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. at the 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Thome, seconded by Alsoofy, to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on: May 24, 2022

Prepared by:
LeAnn Payne, Board Support
Bureau of Professional Licensing

March 23, 2022