

**STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES OF MEETING
December 7, 2009**

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, Article 6, a scheduled meeting of the Board of Social Work Examiners was held in Fairbanks, Alaska, at 2301 Peger.

Friday, December 7, 2009

Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Darrell Allman, Chair, at 8:30 a.m. Those present, constituting a quorum of the Board, were:

Darrell Allman, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Anchorage
Gail La Rose-Henderson, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Wasilla
Jason Floyd, Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker, Nome

Board Member Absent:

Patty McMillin, Licensed Master Social Worker, Bethel

Present from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing were:

Kathy Mason, Administrative Manager (by telephone)
Eleanor Vinson, Licensing Examiner
Karen Wilke, Paralegal (by telephone)
David Newman, Investigator

Agenda Item 1 Review Agenda

New business was added.

Agenda Item 2 Review Meeting Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 29, 2009, meeting.

On a motion duly made by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson and passed unanimously it was

RESOLVED that the Board accept as amended the August 29, 2009, meeting minutes.

Agenda Item 3 Paralegal Report

Paralegal Karen Wilke gave her report to the Board and requested that the Board go into executive session to discuss two cases.

On a motion by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson, and approved unanimously it was

RESOLVED to go into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c)(2) and (3) for the purpose of discussing an application file.

Into executive session 9:10 am

Out of executive session 9:25 am

A. Case 0800-09-003 Voluntary surrender

On a motion by Gail La Rose-Henderson, seconded by Jason Floyd, and approved unanimously it was

RESOLVED to accept the voluntary surrender in case 0800-09-003, as amended

B. Case 0800-09-004 Non-disciplinary consent agreement

On a motion by Gail La Rose-Henderson, seconded by Jason Floyd, and approved unanimously it was

RESOLVED to accept the non voluntary consent agreement in case 0800-09-004, accepting the three hours continuing education for the course completed on 4/18/09 to satisfy the requirement for renewal of clinical social worker license.

Agenda Item 4 Applications/Audit Review

The Board reviewed applications

On a motion by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson, and approved unanimously it was

RESOLVED to approve the following Social Work applications:

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAMINATION

BAZZI, MONA

GLASPELL, KIMBERLY

PEMBERTON, DAMON

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER BY CREDENTIALS

MORRIS, NANCY

TOMKINSON, SEAN

WINSTEAD, THOMAS

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY EAMINATION

KAUFMAN, PHILIP
OBERMEIR-SCHNEIDER, ERIN

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER BY CREDENTIALS

CURTIS, MARISSA
KLIGMANN, MARCI

**On a motion by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson, and approved
unanimously it was**

RESOLVED to approve the following Social Work applications:

REINSTATEMENT

KENDALL, VICTORIA

EXTENTION OF EXAMINATION TIME

DUDLEY, ANGELIQUE
GOLLNER, SHANNON

**On a motion by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson, and approved
unanimously it was**

RESOLVED to approve PENDING the following Social Work applications:

GARDNER, JESSICA
GRIFFEY, DEBORAH
JACOBSON, JACQUELINE
KOCH, KEVIN
MCGLONE, MAUREEN
MILLER, PAMELA
LIVINGSTON, MELODY
MAYER, DAGMAR
TIEDEN, MARY
SORENSEN, SHANNON

**On a motion by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson and approved
unanimously it was**

**RESOLVED to approve the following Social Work Continuing Education
Providers Approval applications:**

ALASKA COURT SYSTEM

Child in Need of Aid Mediation Training

ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORT/AK NATIVE DIABETES PROG.

Alaska Area Diabetes Conference: North is the Future of Diabetes Prevention, Care & Treatment
Among AK Native People :A conference for health care professionals

AK PSYCHIATRIC INSTITUTE/AK NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM

Frontline Behavioral Health Grand Rounds:

1. Bipolar Disorder in Children & Adolescents: Fact & Controversy
2. Depression in Youth: A Roundtable Discussion
3. Medical Co-morbidities in Severe Mental Illness: Morbidity & Mortality
4. How to Get into API...or Not
5. Pornography Addiction: A Clinician's Guide
6. Self Injurious Behavior
7. Vicarious Trauma in Mental Health Service Providers

OFFICE OF PUBLIC ADVOCACY/CASA

Reaching New Heights for Children & Youth

U of OKLAHOMA/INDIAN COUNTRY CHILD TRAUMA CENTER

Training in the Cultural Adaptation of Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

MCKISSOCK 100% EDUCATION

1. Abuse and Addiction of Heroin (1)
2. Addressing the Cheating & Unfaithfulness Motive.... (3)
3. Adolescent Sexuality: Issues and Interventions (6)
4. AIDS Education for Behavioral Health Professionals (4)
5. Alcohol Problems in Intimate Relationships (5)
6. Alcohol Use and Abuse (4)
7. An Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders (3)
8. Anxiety Disorders (2)
9. Assisting Clients in Achieving Holistic Health....(3)
10. Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (3)
11. Bipolar Disorder (2)
12. Caring for the Suicidal Client (4)
13. Child Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (3)
14. Clinical Supervision (5)
15. Cocaine Use and Abuse (1)
16. Code of Ethics (3)
17. Counseling Techniques for Adoption Therapists (3)
18. Crisis: The Role of a Behavioral Health Professional (3)
19. Cultural Competency and Diversity (3)
20. Depression: Symptoms, Causes, and Treatments (2)
21. Domestic Violence (2)
22. Eating Disorders (1)
23. Emotional Intelligence (4)
24. Ethical, Legal, and Policy Issues (2)
25. Hallucinogens and Dissociative Drugs (1)
26. Helping Patients Who Drink Too Much (3)
27. Human Sexuality....(4)
28. Humor Here and Now (3)
29. Inhalant Abuse (1)
30. Inhalant Abuse: Assessment and Treatment Guidelines (4)
31. Marital & Relationship Theories.....(3)

32. MDMA (Ecstasy) Abuse (1)
33. Medications for Mental Disorders (3)
34. Methamphetamine Abuse and Addiction (1)
35. National Strategy for Suicide Prevention (8)
36. Pain: The Universal Disorder (3)
37. Patient Confidentiality and HIPAA Ethics (3)
38. Prescription Drug Abuse (2)
39. Preventing Burnout: Strategies to Revitalize Your Career (4)
40. Professional Boundaries (3)
41. Social Work Services in Long-Term Care (3)
42. Teens: Help them Escape the Justice System (3)
43. Therapeutic Intervention Gamblers (3)
44. Therapeutic Treatment Tools: OCD (3)
45. Treating Child Sexual Abuse(3)
46. Understanding Child Traumatic Stress (1)
47. Understanding Dementia (3)
48. Understanding Sleep (1)
49. What's Troubling Our Teens?(4)
50. Working with Children of Immigrants (2)
51. Working with Latino Families (2)

Agenda Item 5 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Agenda Item 6 Investigator's Report

Investigator Newman gave the Board the report regarding cases opened and closed. Three cases have been opened since the last meeting and there are now five open complaints/Investigations.

On a motion by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson, and approved unanimously it was

RESOLVED to go into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c)(2) and (3) for the purpose of discussing an application/open case/memorandum.

Into executive session: 1:33 pm

Out of executive session: 1:55 pm

On a motion by Gail La Rose-Henderson, seconded by Jason Floyd, and approved unanimously it was

RESOLVED to accept the consent agreement and proposed decision in case 800-09-005

Agenda Item 7 Budget Report

Administrative Officer Cathy Mason gave the budget report. She informed the Board that, as of this time, this board is in good financial shape; they have a roll-forward amount and renewals are in June.

Agenda Item 8 Old Business

A. Outreach response from AG

A social worker doing outreach from Massachusetts had asked if there were any laws that would bar them from doing the outreach if they do not identify themselves as a social worker or if they have to be licensed.

The Attorney General's office reviewed the message and stated that the out of state social worker, in addition to not claiming to be licensed in Alaska, also may not use the title "social worker" or "master social worker", etc, unless the out of state social worker is exempt under AS.08.95.911. It does not matter whether what the social worker from Massachusetts is doing falls within the definition of social worker under AS 08.95.990(7). If the out of state social worker does not claim to be licensed in Alaska, AS 09.95.100 does not apply to them, and their conduct is legal.

B. PSA possibilities

Jason Floyd is to obtain information on public safety/education PSA possibilities regarding social work licensing and public rights or organizational/employer responsibilities.

Agenda Item 9. Regulations

A. 12 AAC 18.990 Definitions (8)

The Board requested that the Attorney General's Office give their interpretation of 12 AAC 18.990(8)(A) and (B). Some members of the Board felt that the person under (A) who had a masters or doctorate degree still had to be enrolled in a social work degree program to be a "student". The Board would like this question clarified.

Sec. 08.95.100. License required. (a) A person who practices clinical social work without obtaining a license under this chapter to practice clinical social work is guilty of a class B misdemeanor unless the person is
(2) practicing clinical social work as a student in a social work program approved by the board.

12 AAC 18.990. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter and in AS 08.95.....
(8) "student in a social work program approved by the board" includes
(A) a person with a master or doctorate degree in social work who is practicing clinical social work under the supervision of a person who meets the requirements of AS 08.95.110(a)(2); or
(B) a student enrolled in a social work degree program at a college or university approved by the board.

The AG's office responded that a person meets the definition if the person meets the description in EITHER paragraph (8) (A) or (B).

There was discussion regarding this loop hole. It is not the intention of the Board that a person would continue working for years and years in the student category.

The Board members will come up with wording and time specifications for 12 AAC 18.990 (A) to present at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 10 Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Agenda Item 11 New Business

A. ASWB 2009 Report

Darrell Allman and Jason Floyd attended the annual Association of Social Work Boards' meeting. One of the proposals was an increase in examination fees for applicants. Both Alaska members spoke on behalf of the fee increase, as ASWB had a budget shortfall. The increase will be the first increase in five years. ASWB was facing losing funding for meetings and committees; and compromising its position as authority.

Chair Allman received the "Jefferson Cup", which is given for your work/service on the ASWB Board.

B . ASWB Financial Resolution

At the next meeting, the Chair will present a formal proposal to ASWB to be sent to the by-laws committee asking them to safeguard and reserve a sufficient amount of funds.

C . Report on preliminary findings of Legislative Audit (FYI only)

The recommendation is that the Board will continue.

Agenda Item 12 Board Business

Chari Allman reminded Board members that they are not to engage in any direct instructions to applicants. Board members must tell applicants to consult the statutes and regulations and contact the licensing examiner with questions.

A. Task List

Jason Floyd – look into PSA possibilities

All members – look into 12 AAC 18.990 (9a) regulations and bring samples to board meeting.

B. Sign Wall Certificates

The wall certificates were signed.

C. Schedule future meetings

The next meeting are:

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| April 9, 2010 | Juneau |
| August 20, 2010 | Fairbanks |
| November 29, 2010 | Anchorage |

The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m.

D. Sign Meeting Minutes

The August 29, 2009 meeting minutes were signed by the Board Chair.

E. Discuss Travel Authorizations/collect & sign

Travel Authorizations were signed by the Board members and turned in.

F. Ethics reports

There were no ethics violations reported.

G. Training/conferences

The Board Chair requested an ethics training for the next meeting.

Next meeting, the Board will discuss attending the CLEAR conference.

Upon a motion by Jason Floyd, seconded by Gail La Rose-Henderson, and approved unanimously it was

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.