

IDAHO BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
Bureau of Occupational Licenses
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Board Meeting Minutes of 4/28/2015

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Eleanor Pepi Downey - Chair
Dr. Joan M. Cloonan
Lynnet R. Kase
Robert Payne
Virginia K. Dickman
Kristopher L. Walton

BUREAU STAFF: Tana Cory, Bureau Chief
Dawn Hall, Administrative Support Manager
Lori Peel, Investigative Unit Manager
Maurie Ellsworth, General Counsel
Marilyn London, Technical Records Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Brown
Allen Hayes
Marisela Butler

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM MDT by Dr. Eleanor Pepi Downey.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Cloonan made a motion to approve the minutes of January 27, 2015. It was seconded by Ms. Kase. Motion carried.

Dr. Cloonan made a motion to approve the minutes of March 17, 2015. It was seconded by Mr. Walton. Motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Ms. Cory gave the legislative report. She said that the Boards Rules passed and is now in effect. She thanked Ms. Dickman for attending and Mr. Payne and Dr. Cloonan for testifying. Ms. Cory said the two bills, HB116 and HB117 that went before the Legislature had passed. HB116 is to clarify that Boards served by the Bureau of Occupational Licenses can recoup attorney fees when a licensee is found to be in violation of the Board's laws and rules in disciplinary cases. HB117 allows licensees to reinstate their licenses without paying for the years they were

not licensed. It also increases the reinstatement fee from \$25 to \$35. Ms. Cory also presented information on the military statute 67-2601(2) that allows Boards to evaluate military training for equivalence.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Cory gave the financial report, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$21,053.25 as of March 31, 2015.

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Ms. Peel gave the investigative report, which is linked above.

FOR BOARD DETERMINATION

Ms. Dickman made a motion to approve the Bureau's recommendation and authorize closure in case I-SWO-2014-37. It was seconded by Ms. Kase. Motion carried.

Ms. Dickman made a motion to approve the Bureau's recommendation and authorize closure in case I-SWO-2014-51. It was seconded by Mr. Walton. Motion carried.

Ms. Dickman made a motion to approve the Bureau's recommendation and authorize closure in case I-SWO-2015-13. It was seconded by Dr. Cloonan. Motion carried.

DISCIPLINARY

Ms. Peel presented supervisor reports in cases SWO-2012-12 and SWO-2013-28. The reports were accepted.

Ms. Peel presented a letter requesting a payment extension in case SW-2014-25. Ms. Dickman made a motion to accept the payment extension. It was seconded by Mr. Payne. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

To Do List – The Board reviewed the to do list and no action was taken.

OUT OF STATE CLINICAL SUPERVISION REPORT FORM

The Board reviewed the out of state clinical supervision report form. The Board appointed Mr. Payne to work with Mr. Ellsworth on making additional changes and bring it to the next Board meeting for review.

CLINICAL SUPERVISOR RECERTIFICATION

The Board discussed the process for recertification of clinical supervisors. July 1, 2015 will be the first date that some clinical supervisors are required to be recertified by taking 6 hours of an advanced level clinical supervisor training. The Board would like to update the recertification notification letter stating it is the responsibility of the supervisor to inform their current supervisees if they have not been recertified by the deadline.

NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Payne made a motion that the Board go into executive session under Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law. The purpose of the Executive Session was to consider license application materials. It was seconded by Dr. Cloonan. The vote was: Mr. Walton, aye; Ms. Kase, aye; Ms. Dickman, aye; Mr. Payne, aye; Dr. Cloonan, aye; and Dr. Pepi Downey, aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Payne made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Dr. Cloonan. The vote was: Mr. Walton, aye; Ms. Kase, aye; Ms. Dickman, aye; Mr. Payne, aye; Dr. Cloonan, aye; and Dr. Pepi Downey, aye. Motion carried.

APPLICATIONS

Ms. Dickman made a motion to approve Allen Hayes to take the ASWB master level exam. It was seconded by Ms. Kase. Motion carried.

Ms. Dickman made a motion to approve Robert Brown to take the ASWB bachelor level exam. It was seconded by Ms. Kase. Motion carried.

Mr. Walton moved to deny the request for reactivating a bachelor level license for applicant 901067854. It was seconded by Ms. Kase. Motion carried.

TELEPRACTICE REPORT

Ms. Cory informed the Board that HB189 passed regarding Tele-Health and will go into effect July 1, 2015. Mr. Payne attended the Tele practice meeting on April 27, 2015 with representatives from the Counselor and Psychology Boards and other interested parties. Each Board will be working on its own Rules with Mr. Toryanski assisting. Mr. Payne and a work group will be working together to draft rules for the Social Work Board.

JURISPRUDENCE EXAM

Dr. Pepi Downey reviewed with the Board information from other states that require a jurisprudence exam as part of the application process. The Board will continue to obtain more information on jurisprudent exams before it makes a decision on making it a requirement for Idaho applicants.

ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORK BOARDS

Dr. Pepi Downey reviewed with the Board information on the ASWB web page on Practice Review, Path to Licensure and Resources to use for schools. She encouraged everyone to review this information.

ASWB BOARD MEMBER TRAINING

Ms. Dickman attended the ASWB New Board Member training and asked if it is acceptable to receive continuing education credit for part of the training. The Board gave approvable for the training.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed a letter from a social worker with questions on clarification on the scope of practice for bachelor and clinical level social workers. Dr. Pepi Downey will draft a letter on behalf of the Board.

The Board reviewed a letter from a social worker requesting a grace period for master social workers seeing clients until they are under an approved supervision plan. The Board stated the rules do not allow for a grace period.

The Board reviewed a letter asking for clarification on using skype to practice social work when the client is not in the same state. The Board indicated that the social worker must be licensed in Idaho to practice on Idaho clients.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Walton made a motion that the Board go into executive session under Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law. The purpose of the Executive Session was to consider license application materials. It was seconded by Dr. Cloonan. The vote was: Mr. Walton, aye; Ms. Kase, aye; Ms. Dickman, aye; Mr. Payne, aye; Dr. Cloonan, aye; and Dr. Pepi Downey, aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Walton made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Ms. Kase. The vote was: Mr. Walton, aye; Ms. Kase, aye; Ms. Dickman, aye; Mr. Payne, aye; Dr. Cloonan, aye; and Dr. Pepi Downey, aye. Motion carried.

APPLICATION

The Board reviewed a letter from a social worker that has passed the ASWB exam, requesting their bachelor level license upon graduation. Mr. Payne made a motion to issue the license upon receipt of a faxed letter from the university registrar that the social worker has graduated with their social work degree. Mr. Walton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Dickman made a motion to deny the exam application for 901138381 based upon not having met Idaho Code 54-3206(3) and Rule 100 that requires a degree in social work. It was seconded by Mr. Walton. Motion carried.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDITS

The Board reviewed continuing education audits.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 28, 2015 at 9:00 AM MDT.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Kase made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM MDT. It was seconded by Mr. Walton. Motion carried.

Dr. Eleanor Pepi Downey, Chair

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