

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Ethics Committee Meeting

Friday, October 23, 2015, at 1 p.m.
Hobby Building, Tower III, Room 100
333 Guadalupe
Austin, Texas 78701

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Timothy Martel Brown, Professional Member
Denise Pratt, Public Member
Mark Talbot, Public Member
Missy Rainey, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Sarah Faszholz
Georgia Norman
Molly Fudell
Gerard Bonner
Alex Ortiz
Oscar Draughn
Damon Parker
Isabel Nevarez
Tomika Gowdy-Robinson

Guests Present:

Tracy Garza	Judith Westbrook
Suzette Doescher	Louis Leichter
John Barnes	Janet Poe
Radona Burford	Jack Pullen
Kerme Reyes	Gerald Rogers
Cheryl Simmons	Jennifer Steenbergen
Kenda Dalrymple	Orlando DeLeon

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 1:20 pm by Mr. Talbot, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was to approve the minutes from the June 5, September 10, and September 11, 2015, Ethics Committee meetings. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve the June 5, 2015 and September 10, 2015 minutes. The motion was seconded and passed. A motion was made by Ms. Pratt to approve the September 11, 2015 minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion on the following pending complaints:

Complaint # 1072-13-0058 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-13-0036 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaints #1072-13-0040 and # 1072-13-0050 were discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to table for additional investigation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-13-0037 was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Rainey to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-13-0011 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint with a conditional letter of agreement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-16-0003 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to table this complaint. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-09-0135 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to table this complaint and pursue an attorney general opinion. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-12-0042 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-13-0043 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to close this complaint with a conditional letter of agreement. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint #1072-13-0080 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-13-0009 was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Rainey to table this complaint. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-13-0054 was discussed. A motion was made by Ms. Rainey to close this complaint as no violation. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-13-0075 was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Brown to table this complaint. The motion was seconded and passed.

The Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners Ethics Committee of having convened on this date and with a quorum present, will now go into Executive Session in accordance with Government Code Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act) of the State of Texas, for the purposes of consulting with the board attorney concerning the matter of agenda item 4. The date is October 23, 2015. The time is 4:55 pm. The Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners Ethics Committee came out of Executive Session at 5:03 pm. No action taken. The date is October 23, 2015.

Agenda Item 4 was the discussion regarding compliance with the following Board Orders: v
Complaint # 1072-10-0120 was tabled and not discussed.

Complaint # 1072-11-0063 was discussed. Mr. Brown was recused. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to accept compliance with the order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 5 was public comment. There was none.

Agenda Item 6 Set next committee meeting date(s). The next meeting date will be December 3-4, 2015.

Agenda Item 7 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners
Board - Regular Meeting

Friday, October 23, 2015, at 11 a.m.
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333 Guadalupe
Austin, Texas 78701

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Timothy Martel Brown, Professional Member
Jody Armstrong, Professional Member
Maria Castro, Professional Member
Denise Pratt, Public Member
Missy Rainey, Professional Member
Macy Hill, Public Member
Mark Talbot, Public Member

Staff Present:

Sarah Faszholz
Molly Fudell
Amanda Stallings
Tim Speer

Guests Present:

Mackenzie Fette
Katie Malinski
Janet Poe

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 11:05 am by Mr. Brown, chair.

Agenda Item 2 was the discussion regarding reports from the following Board Committees:

Mr. Talbot gave the Ethics Committee report. The committee reviewed 29 cases, of which 24 cases were closed and 5 cases were proposed for disciplinary action. A motion was made by Ms. Rainey to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Brown gave the Professional Development Committee report. The committee discussed the Alternative Method of Examining Competency (AMEC) program participants, applications of supervisor training providers, audit of continuing education providers and the Board's jurisprudence examination. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Brown gave the Licensing Standards and Qualification Committee report. The committee reviewed 36 cases, of which 16 cases were approved, 14 cases were denied and 6 cases were tabled. The committee also discussed Independent Practice Recognition. A motion was made by Ms. Pratt to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 3 was the discussion regarding orders for final action in the following cases:

Complaint # 1072-12-0052 was discussed. Mr. Brown was recused. A motion was made by Ms. Rainey to approve the order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaint # 1072-12-0053 was discussed. Mr. Brown was recused. A motion was made by Ms. Armstrong to approve the order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Complaints # 1072-14-0004 and # 1072-14-0011 were discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Talbot to approve the order. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item 4 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 5 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 Professional Licensing and Certification Unit. Mr. Speer gave the report.

Agenda Item 6 was public comment. There was none.

Agenda Item 7 was to schedule the next meeting(s). The next meeting date will be December 3-4, 2016 in Denton.

Agenda Item 8 was items for consideration for future committee and board meeting agendas. There was none.

Agenda Item 9 was to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.