

TENNESSEE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKER CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

DATE: August 3, 2006
TIME: 9:00 a.m., CST
LOCATION: Millennium Maxwell House Hotel
2025 Metro Center Boulevard
Nashville, TN

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Vickie Fleming, CMSW
Teresa Housteau-Hill, LCSW
Beverly Esposito, LCSW
Sheila Morris, Consumer Member

BOARD MEMBERS

ABSENT: Suzanne Vandiver, LCSW
Deborah Wolkhamer, CMSW

STAFF PRESENT: James Hill, Board Administrator
Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney
Barbara Maxwell, Administrative Director
Robbie Bell, Director

Ms. Fleming, secretary, called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. A sufficient number of board members were present to constitute a quorum.

On behalf of the board, Ms. Fleming welcomed Ms. Terry Housteau-Hill to the board.

Conflict of Interest Policy

Ms. Armstrong reviewed the Conflict of Interest Policy with the board asking the board members to disclose any conflict of interest they may have prior to contested cases or any other legal proceedings or matters to determine if there is a conflict of interest. Ms. Armstrong stated that if a board member does have a conflict of interest they must recuse him/herself and leave the hearing room during the proceeding. Ms. Armstrong asked Ms. Terry Housteau-Hill to sign the conflict of interest statement and return it to Mr. Hill at the end of the meeting.

Review May 5, 2006 Minutes

Upon review of the May 5, 2006 minutes, Ms. Esposito made a motion, seconded by Ms. Housteau-Hill, to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.

Review Applications

The board asked **Christopher Hargrove** to appear before the board because he indicated on his application that he had used chemical substances and had a DUI charge. Upon conclusion of the discussion, Ms. Esposito made a motion, seconded by Ms. Morris, to approve Mr. Hargrove for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried.

The board asked **William Radford** to appear before the board because he indicated on his application that he had been charged with possession of a controlled substance and fraud. Upon conclusion of the discussion, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Morris, to approve Mr. Radford for reciprocity of LCSW from Louisiana to Tennessee. The motion carried.

The board asked **Garrett Leech** to appear before the board because he indicated on his application that he had a prior misdemeanor conviction for DUI. Mr. Leech was not in attendance; therefore, the board designated Ms. Fleming to meet with Mr. Leech separately and make an initial determination of the application. Mr. Leech's name would then appear on the list of persons to be ratified at the next board meeting.

Office of General Counsel Report

Ms. Armstrong said rules regarding screening panels, advertising, use of titles by licensees and the refunding of application fees for persons denied certification or licensure are at the Attorney General's Office for review.

Ms. Armstrong stated there are four (4) open cases pertaining to the Board of Social Worker Certification and Licensure in the Office of General Counsel.

Investigative Report

Ms. Phelps reviewed the investigative report stating there are seven (7) complaints year-to-date against LCSW's. Ms. Phelps said four (4) complaints have been closed, two (2) were closed with no action, and two (2) were closed with letters of concern.

Ms. Phelps said there are two (2) complaints year-to-date against CMSW's. Ms. Phelps said one (1) complaint has been closed.

Disciplinary Report

Ms. Phelps reviewed the disciplinary report which gives the name of the disciplined practitioners, their license number, date of action, expiration date, civil penalty costs, continuing

education requirements, reporting, peer assistance, and comments. Ms. Phelps stated all of the information in the disciplinary report is public information.

Financial Report

Mr. Hill reviewed the financial report stating the board has a cumulative carry over of \$239,494.27. Mr. Hill stated that this was an increase from the last six months.

Administrative Report

Mr. Hill reviewed the administrative report stating there are currently 1482 actively licensed, 2245 retired, 1367 failed to renew, 102 applications in process and 59 deceased CMSW's.

Mr. Hill said there are currently 1810 actively licensed, 294 retired, 340 failed to renew, 202 applications in process and 44 deceased LCSW's.

Report from Division Rules Coordinator – Jerry Kosten

Mr. Kosten stated that Public Chapter No. 658, regarding temporary licensure, became effective May 12, 2006.

Mr. Kosten stated that social workers whose Master's or Doctorate degree was awarded after April 2005 can commence practice provided that such social worker applies for temporary certification within ninety (90) days after the rules becomes effective. Mr. Kosten stated that the legislation was created with ETSU in mind and based on the assumption they would be getting accredited in a short period of time; however, the legislation failed to consider people coming in from other states and schools may not be accredited. Mr. Kosten stated the board will need help from the state association to let the ETSU applicants know about the rule.

Ms. Armstrong said the law does not include anything about continuing education or a criminal background check. Ms. Armstrong stated the board doesn't have the authority to do anything until the law becomes effective.

Mr. Kosten discussed the Executive Order which requires all state agencies to contemplate the economic impact of the proposed rules on small business before voting to authorize a rulemaking hearing.

Upon discussion, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to send the rule allowing social workers whose Master's or Doctorate degree was awarded after April 2005 commence practice and apply for temporary certification within ninety (90) days. The motion carried.

Mr. Kosten discussed the advertisement rule which was returned from the Attorney General's Office to add the standard language used with other boards to define advertisement. The board agreed to use the standard languages to define advertisement and Ms. Esposito made a motion,

seconded by Ms. Housteau-Hill, to make the changes for rulemaking hearing. The motion carried.

Order of Compliance for Robert Reddig, LCSW

Robert Reddig, LCSW appeared before the board to discuss meeting the requirements of his disciplinary terms.

Ms. Phelps, Disciplinary Coordinator, stated her office received an affidavit certifying Mr. Reddig has met all of the requirements of his discipline.

Upon discussion, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Mr. Reddig's order of compliance and lift his probation, which allows him to commence his practice.

The motion carried.

Order of Compliance for Barbara Henegar-Roy, CMSW

Barbara Henegar-Roy, CMSW appeared before the board to discuss meeting the requirements of her disciplinary terms.

Ms. Phelps, Disciplinary Coordinator, stated that Ms. McFadden reviewed all of the material submitted by Ms. Henegar-Roy and determined that she met the requirements of her discipline.

Upon discussion, Ms. Esposito made a motion, seconded by Ms. Housteau-Hill, to approve Ms. Henegar-Roy's order of compliance and lift her probation, which allows her to commence her practice. The motion carried.

Ratify newly licensed LCSW's

Upon review, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to ratify the following newly licensed LCSW's:

Gina Bartolucci-Vaughn
Elisabeth N. Cooper
Stephanie C. Crider
Dawn C. Dia
David A. Dia
Brenda F. Dixon
Christy A. Fontenot
Lori A. Gordon
Leasa S. Graham
Karon M. Greenwell
Stephanie M. Lord
Sheri L. Lozier
David J. McGory
Damien E. Nethery

**Katherine C. Sentilles
Gregory E. Simpson
Cheryl A. Sinor
Vickie H. Startup
Tracy L. Tullos
Matthew G. Watson
Kathryn S. Whitted
Keith A. Wilson
Pamela H. Wilson**

The motion carried.

Ratify newly licensed CMSW's

Upon review, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to ratify the following newly licensed CMSW's:

**Angela M. Adams
Mahshid Alishahi
Katie N. Allbritten
Michelle L. Allen
Kevin T. Ashmeade
Rebecca M. Astarita
Raylissa L. Batten
Sibyl R. Beaulieu
Lisa N. Bell
Bradley M. Bowers
Bonnie S. Brink
M. Granger Brown
Amanda A. Buchanan
Barbara F. Burrows
Dana F. Casey
Neven Cernobori
Christy A. Claiborne
Laura B. Clanton
Emily Cline
Jennifer A. Coffey
Judy N. Conley
Darrcelle S. Covert
Jessica N. Cruze
Clara L. Darden
Ashley A. Davis
Juliana M. Devine
Hannelore M. Dickerson
Patricia A. Dodds
Wendy J. Easton**

**Susan E. Elswick
P. Dianne Fender
Daphne L. Fielder
Leigh A. Fowlkes
Shannon L. franks
Amanda M. Gerth-Jones
Emily L. Glass
Paul L. Goblish
Lisa A. Gossett
Louge Gunn
Christine M. Hames
Sara M. Hartman
Susan L. Hewgley
Sarah M. Holzapfel
Charlaine J. Hood
Bryan E. Huneycutt
Christy Y. Hunter Russ
Carol Y. Jones
Brandee M. Lancaster
Susan J. Langenus
Meghan D. Larson
Melissa D. Lawson
John D. Livengood
Latonya D. Lundy
Sholanda S. Lynch
Amy R. Massaglia
Jennifer L. McCluskey
Alison L. Miller
Shannon A. Moore
April R. Moses
Lee Ann K. Munsey
Janelle Nimer
Thomas S. Oleniacz
Barbara A. Parker
Melanie A. Rankin
Emily C. Roberts
Lisa K. Roberts
Sandra L. Roof
Patricia L. Ross
Jessica L. Ruble
Ayanna S. Sampson
Marlen S. Perez
Cary F. Schroeder
Denise M. Simpson
Cara J. Smith
Carla C. Smith**

Elliott Sparks
Amy W. Spurlock
Amanda N. Stanuszek
Kristina A. Steinke
Sarah E. Stooksbury
Elizabeth L. Tate
Laura K. Tedesco
Shannon C. Tuell
Alfonsene P. Valentine
Julia D. Vega
Linda S. Vesley
Ashley A. Wade
Sara E. Waters
Miranda C. Watkins
Jennifer A. West
Aqueta S. Whitaker
Sandi D. Williams
Randal J. Wittry
Connie F. Zvejnieks

The motion carried.

Review/approve LCSW applications by examination and reciprocity

Upon review, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to ratify the following newly licensed CMSW's:

By examination

Joy Baldwin
Cheryl K. Beshears
Altovise L. Boyd
Jane A. Burke
Betsy Carrol
Farlie P.L. Chastain
Patricia Curry
Dorothy B. Daum
Sara A. Dewolf
June C. Dixon
Rachel B. Dorris
Melissa P. Farrar
Joy A. Fowler
Jinny L. Glasco
Jamie P. Green
Nancy L. Hall
Ovul I. Ince

Darryl Irvin Leis
Michael V. McDonald
Melody A. Miller
Cheryl L. Newton
Judith L. Pesch
Karen P. Reed
Deanna C. Reese
Tamieka D. Simmons
Lisa K. Smith
Kristi L. Steel
Shirley Talbott
Michelle Thompson
Windy Ward
Mona M. Williams-Hayes

By Reciprocity

Theresa D. Crotty
Amy L. Doolittle
Sandra H. Farbman
Donna V. Goings
Cara K. Peacock
Steven Reda
Allison White-Braswell

The motion carried.

Review/approve CMSW applications

Upon review of the application of **Anne Schmitt**, containing a letter from her doctor stating her medications do not limit her ability to practice social work. The board was concerned with the credibility of this letter, being it was not on letterhead and did not list the doctor's credentials. Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Ms. Schmitt for licensure as a CMSW upon receipt of a letter from Ms. Schmitt's physician, on letterhead and with her credentials, verifying the use of chemical substances. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Kathryn Lee Clayton**, containing a letter from her doctor stating her medications do not limit her ability to practice social work, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Ms. Clayton for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Donald Nathe**, containing a letter from his doctor stating his medications do not limit his ability to practice social work, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Mr. Nathe for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Karen Ijames**, containing a letter from her psychiatrist stating her medications do not limit her ability to practice social work, Ms. Esposito made a motion, seconded by Ms. Morris, to approve Ms. Ijames for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried. Upon review of the application of **Andrew Walen**, containing a letter from his psychiatrist stating his medications do not limit his ability to practice social work, Ms. Esposito made a motion, seconded by Ms. Housteau-Hill, to approve Mr. Walen for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Michael Buford**, containing a letter from his doctor stating his medications do not limit his ability to practice social work, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Mr. Buford for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Alicia Hutt**, indicating a conviction of a minor in possession of alcohol by consumption, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Ms. Hutt for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Phillip Della Jacova**, indicating a felony conviction of possession of cocaine, grand theft, and possession of paraphernalia, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to request a letter providing additional information regarding Mr. Jacova's conviction from the conviction date to present. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Stephannie Williams**, containing a letter from her doctor stating that her occasional alcohol consumption does not limit her ability to practice social work, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Ms. Williams for licensure as a CMSW. The motion carried.

Review/approve LCSW applications

Upon review of the application of **Darryl Leis**, containing a letter from his doctor stating his medications do not limit his ability to practice social work, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve Mr. Leis for licensure by reciprocity as a LCSW. The motion carried.

Review/approve reinstated applications

Upon review of the reinstated applications for LCSW's and CMSW's, Ms. Housteau-Hill made a motion, seconded by Ms. Esposito, to approve the following practitioners for reinstatement:

LCSW

Terry L. Gardner

Deeann B. Hodge

Marcella A. Lewis

Linda J. Mayes

Gilda H. McCarley

Cheryl M. Neville-Mendez

Donald B. Smith

CMSW

Karen E. Dotson
Dorris J. Hadley
Mary E. Pearson
Judy Petiton
Earnestine N. Skeens

The motion carried

Ratify closed files

Upon review of the closed files, Ms. Esposito made a motion, seconded by Ms. Housteau-Hill, to approve the closed files for the following applicants:

Renetta Albea
Angela Bennett-Shelton
Cynthia A. Beckingham
Melvin R. Matheson
Betty J. Waters
Janice Edwards
Teresa J. Franklin
Brittany Hyman

The motion carried.

Correspondence

With no other business to conduct, Ms. Fleming made a motion, seconded by Ms. Housteau-Hill, to adjourn the meeting at 2:52 p.m. The motion carried.