

BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK

MINUTES OF MEETING

January 8, 2007

Open Session

The Open Session of the Board of Social Work was called to order on the above date in Room 104, Cannon Building, Rhode Island Department of Health, Three Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Open Meeting Law, so called, and other applicable provisions of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended. A quorum was established.

Board members in attendance:

Maureen Egan

Diane Giarrusso

Daniel Wheelan

Sheila Perkins

Marie-Anne Murphy Leinhaas

Sandra Munroe Wunschel

Board members not in attendance:

Mary Montminy-Danna

Staff members in attendance:

Charles Alexandre

Maureen Slowik

Others in attendance:

None

The minutes of the Open Meeting held on November 6, 2006 were presented. On motion of Ms. Leinhaas, seconded by Ms. Giarrusso, it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes.

Adjournment to Executive Session

On motion of Ms. Wunschel, seconded by Mr. Wheelan, it was unanimously voted to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, as Amended, in that confidential issues of fitness for licensure and investigative cases will be discussed. The Open Session adjourned at 9:05 am.

Return to Open Session

The Open Session was called back to order at 10:20 am.

On motion of Mr. Wheelan, seconded by Ms. Wunschel, it was unanimously voted to keep confidential all matters discussed in Executive Session and to seal those minutes inasmuch as fitness for licensure and ongoing disciplinary matters were addressed

The Board reported that the following final action was taken in

Executive Session:

2006-06-SW No Unprofessional Conduct

Affirmative: Ms. Egan, Ms. Giarrusso, Ms. Perkins, Ms. Wunschel, and Mr. Wheelan

Oppose: Ms. Leinhaas

Business

The Board reviewed materials submitted by the Association of Social Work Boards describing the Social Work Registry. After discussion and deliberation on motion of Ms. Wunschel, seconded by Ms. Leinhaas, the Board voted unanimously to accept verification of education, supervision examination documents from the Registry for licensure. Mr. Wheelan abstained.

The Board reviewed the meeting schedule for 2007. Meetings are scheduled on: March 5, May 7, August 9, September 24 and November 5.

The Board continued its review of the Rules and Regulations. Proposed revisions were discussed. The review will continue at subsequent meetings until complete.

Adjournment

On motion of Ms. Egan, seconded by Mr. Wheelan, it was unanimously voted to adjourn. The Open Session of the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Alexandre

Chief, Health Professions Regulation