

# **BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK**

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**March 3, 2008**

**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 at 8:30 am.**

**Board members in attendance:**

**Maureen Egan**

**Diane Giarrusso**

**Daniel Wheelan**

**Marie-Anne Murphy Leinhaas**

**Sandra Munroe Wunschel**

**Mary Montminy-Danna**

**Board members not in attendance:**

**Staff members in attendance:**

**Charles Alexandre**

**Others in attendance:**

**None**

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**The minutes of the Open Meeting held on January 7, 2008 were presented. On motion of Ms. Wunschel, seconded by Ms. Leinhaas, it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes.**

### **Business**

**Mr. Alexandre reported that the public hearing for the Rules and Regulations for the licensing of social workers was held on Thursday February 14, 2008. One speaker from NASW spoke in favor of the revisions. The regulations will be filed with the Secretary of State this week and will take effect 20 days following filing.**

### **Adjournment to Executive Session**

**On motion of Ms. Egan, seconded by Ms. Wunschel, 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 8:45 am.**

### **Return to Open Session**

**The Open Session was called back to order at 11:30 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. No final actions were taken in Executive Session.**

### **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 11:35 am.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Charles Alexandre**

**Chief, Health Professions Regulation**