

**MINUTES OF THE
GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
DECEMBER 12, 2003**

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, December 12, 2003, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. This meeting was called to order at 9:18 a.m. with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lee Duke Bowen, MFT, Ph.D., Chair
Joan Fryer, LPC, Vice-Chair
Donald M. Syfert, L.P.C.
Eric Groh, LPC
Patricia Harwell, MFT
Patricia Showell, CSW
Christus Powell, MFT
Joyce Evans, Consumer

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mary Alice Merrill, CSW

****Eric Groh was present on December 5, 2003 to review files.

STAFF PRESENT

Lee Tracy, Executive Director
Stephanie Stubbs, Applications Specialist
Dena Kirkman, Board Secretary
Dominick Crea, Assistant Attorney General

GUESTS

Sue Fort, NASW

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:20 a.m. motion Showell, seconded Syfert, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2-(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Bowen, Fryer, Groh, Harwell, Evans and Powell. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

OPEN SESSION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Tracy reminded the Board of the need for appointments for the Social Workers Standard Committee in order to have a quorum for conducting business. Ms. Tracy also expressed to the Board that the staff has enjoyed working with the Board members and the staff acknowledges all the hard work they do.

MINUTES

Motion Powell, seconded Showell and motion carried, to approve the minutes as amended of the November 14, 2003 meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board and staff enjoyed the Christmas Dinner held at the Willow on Fifth Restaurant Sue Fort showed the Board a copy of the first page of the NASW newsletter to the Board. An article concerning the loss of the Social Workers Standards Committee quorum suggested that members of NASW write to the Governor to encourage the appointment of Social Workers to the Composite Board.

Motion Evans, seconded Showell and motion carried to accept the meeting dates for 2004.

THE BOARD MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

Motion Powell, seconded Showell and motion carried to accept the **Marriage and Family Therapy Standards Report.**

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Lauri Bajalia Need more info/see letter

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Emily Moore Pending

Motion Syfert, seconded Harwell and motion carried to accept the **Licensed Professional Counselors Report.**

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

| | | | |
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| Ruby Crawford | Approved | Peggy Nolen | Approved |
| Emoke Sprinkle | Approved | Terra Mayers | Approved |
| Stacy Collins | Approved | Douglas Sills | Approved |
| Jennifer Stuckert | Approved | Emily Moore | Approved |
| Ratima Guest-Smith | Approved | Jennifer Tubb | Approved |
| Gwendolyn Hall | Approved | Aqsa Farooqui | Approved |
| Shelly Prevost | Approved | Michelle Lambert | Approved |
| Alonso Romero | Approved | | |

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

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| Carla Sutton | Approved | Camille Drakeford | Approved |
| Diana Frasier | Approved | Lynn Suggs | Approved |
| Annette Harbin | Approved | Elizabeth Shippey | Approved |
| Trawin Malone | Approved | Brenda Jones | Approved |
| Denise Lutsky | Approved | Joyce Tomblin | Approved |
| Richard Lally | Approved | Mary Gibson | Approved |
| Elizabeth Allison | Approved | Elizabeth Mellin | Approved |
| Jeannine McCleary | Approved | Elise Beumer | Approved |

CHANGE OF SUPERVISOR/DIRECTOR

Terry Biering Approved

Motion Syfert, seconded Harwell and motion carried that T.B. be ordered to obtain a neuropsych evaluation at her expense, in order for the Board to further evaluate her application to obtain licensure as a LPC. Dr. Timothy Fjordbak, PsyD is recommended to perform the neuropsych evaluation or another NeuroPsychologist of T.B.'s choosing who is approved by the Board.

Motion Showell, seconded Powell and motion carried to accept the **Social Workers Report.**

EXAMINATION

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| Roxanne Turner | Approved | Ann Valentine | Approved |
| Susan Berberian | Approved | Lori Gurinsky | Approved |
| Russia Sherrod | Approved | Daryl Morgan | Approved |
| Jay Thompkins | Approved | | |

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER

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|-----------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Chasity Stewart | Approved | Tracy Randle | Approved |
| Nancy Leveille | Approved | Sunny Lichtman | Approved |
| Danielle Malane | Approved | Latyris Pugh | Approved |
| Carmen Troy | Approved | Sonya Davis | Approved |
| Rachel Corbin | Approved | Melanie Couchman-Noble | Approved |
| Deborah Cook | Approved | Danna Roberson | Approved |
| Mary Aranda | Approved | Virginia Woloski | Approved |
| Perry Armon | Approved | Marisa Phillips | Approved |
| Krystal Lee | Approved | Tanya Gomes | Approved |
| Eric Hornick | Approved | Victoria Hornick | Approved |
| Carey Savage | Approved | Courtney Fields | Approved |
| Annette Hodgson | Approved | | |

EXAMINATION WAIVER

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| Kay Starr | Approved | Amon Porter | Approved |
| Kelli Lohmeyer | Approved | | |

REACTIVATION

Jon Kendrick Approved

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

COMP040021 Motion Groh, seconded Harwell and motion carried to close case as it is out of the Board's jurisdiction.

COMP040014 Motion Groh, seconded Harwell and motion carried to accept the voluntary cease and desist order submitted. Case closed.

Motion Syfert, seconded Powell and motion carried to delegate to Lee Tracy the authority to sign original voluntary surrender documents when received.

ATTORNEY GENERAL’S REPORT

Dominick Crea, Attorney General, updated the Board on cases in his office.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Harwell, and seconded Powell, to adjourn the meeting at 2:23 p.m.

Lee Bowen, MFT, Chair
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Mollie L. Fleeman, J.D., Director
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS
DIVISION

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