

**MINUTES OF THE
GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
May 14, 2004**

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, May 14, 2004, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. This meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Patricia Harwell, MFT, Chair
Joan Fryer, LPC, Vice-Chair
Helen W. Coale, CSW
Joyce Evans, Consumer
Eric Groh, LPC
William Carlos Jackson, MFT
Janet H. Lenard, CSW
Jay Ligon, CSW
Christus Powell, MFT
Donald M. Syfert, L.P.C.

MEMBERS ABSENT

****Eric Groh was present on April 22, 2004 to review files.

STAFF PRESENT

Lee Tracy, Executive Director
Sandy Stembridge, Applications Specialist
Dena Kirkman, Board Secretary
Dominick Crea, Assistant Attorney General
Emmalie Kirkland, Enforcement Investigator

GUESTS

Sue Fort, NASW
Gale Macke, LPCA Executive Director

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:011 a.m. motion Lenard, seconded Groh, 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 Coale, Harwell, Fryer, Evans, Jackson, Ligon, Powell and Syfert. 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

Lee Tracy complimented the Licensed Professional Counselors and the Social Workers Standards Committees on the hard work they did on the large number of applications that were processed at the meeting. Ms. Tracy reported that the biennial renewal forms were being printed and would be mailed by the following week. Continuing education forms would be mailed with the CE Audit renewal forms to help those selected for audit to compile their information for easier processing. Barbara Evans would be the staff person responsible for maintaining the CE audit information for the Board. Ms. Tracy welcomed Ms. Helen W. Coale as the newest member of the Social Workers Standards Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE

Request received from Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation to suspend the license for Mary Alice Owens Frost, CSW for defaulting on a student loan. Motion Groh, seconded Fryer and motion carried, to suspend Mary Alice Owens Frost's license to practice as a Clinical Social Worker, License No. 2938, for failure to repay a student loan.

Eric Hall, Consumer Protection Manager, requests the Board to provide investigative information concerning Investigative Case No. COMP040008 to the Southwest Region Office of the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Addictive Diseases of the Department of Human Resources. Motion Powell, seconded Jackson and motion carried, to release the information gathered for Case No. COMP040008 to Eric Hall, Consumer Protection Manager, Southwest Region MH/DD/AD.

MINUTES

Motion Jackson, seconded Powell and motion carried, to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2004 meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

Pat Harwell, Chair, introduced and welcomed Helen W. Coale, CSW, as the newest appointee to the Board.

Sue Fort, NASW, reported that the professional associations were discussing the issue of English as a second language and exploring options for Georgia to accommodate applicants whose primary language was not English.

Gale Macke, Executive Director of LPCA, reported on the efforts of that professional association to have student affiliated organizations in schools. The Board thanked Ms. Macke for attending the meeting.

THE BOARD MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

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

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Daron Dickens (2nd review/received additional info) Approved
Lisa Daniel Approved

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Hetal Patel (request to retake exam/failed 4 times) Approved
Elizabeth Walker (request to retake exam/failed 4 times) Approved

Argosy University Atlanta

Request for review and approval for five courses Under Review

Motion Fryer, seconded Powell and motion carried, to accept the **Licensed Professional Counselors Standards Report.**

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

Dana Baldwin-Jones	Approved	Kristie Luckett	Approved
Robyn Bors	Approved	Lorie Mahan	Approved
Barbara Cheeves	Approved	Karyn McCrimmon	Approved
Lisa Cottrell	Approved	Patrick McGlone	Approved
Sharon Dawkins	Approved	Tracie McNabb	Approved
Omi Dobbins	Approved	Sharon Nix	Approved
Edward Dubose	Approved	Christina Parsons	Approved
Beverly Elliott	Approved	Diana Rodriguez	Approved
Carolyn Frye	Approved	Subrina Rush	Approved
Betsy Garner	Denied	Curtis Savage	Approved
Nancy Gogins	Approved	Rebecca Scott	Approved
Brenda Graham	Denied	Jessica Seeley	Approved
Robert Green	Denied	Sarah Shuman	Approved
Joan Hawkins	Denied	Michelle Stangline	Approved
Chalice Jenkins	Approved	Kecia West	Approved
K. Lynn Leonard	Denied	Kim Woodard	Approved
Eleanor Lines	Approved		

APC CHANGE OF SUPERVISOR/DIRECTOR

Kim Canupp Approved Stacy Jaynes Approved
Monica Gray Denied

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

Michael Bishop Denied Carole Nelson Approved

EXAMINATION

Rebecca Lentz Denied Brandon Printup Approved
Robert Marchant Denied

ENDORSEMENT

John Sheedy Approved

EXAM WAIVER

Andrea Adams	Pending	Clay Gill	Denied
Cheri Ames	Approved	Curt Morrison	Approved
Amy Davis	Approved		

EXAM WAIVER/APC

Candace Atlas	Approved	Michelle Irish	Approved
Frances Brown	Approved	Cheryl Laurenza	Approved
Jane Haigler	Approved	Chastity Roundtree	Approved
Sandra Hale	Approved	Cynthia Wynn	Approved

2ND REVIEW/RECEIVED INFORMATION

Helen Kotler	Denied	Sandra Spahn	Approved
Joan Pepper	Denied	Monica Sparks	Approved
John Schramm	Denied	Brenda Stinson	Denied

Motion Lenard, seconded Evans and motion carried, to accept the **Social Workers Standards Report.**

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINATION WAIVER

Madelyn Abernathy-Cornelius	Approved		
Laura Capinas	Approved	April Kerr	Approved
Janett Carter	Approved	Alanna Knapik-Smith	Approved
Tamara Conlin	Approved	Christa Kolbrak	Approved
Bonna Cornett	Approved	Martha Lowery	Approved
Dawn Healy	Approved	Madeleine Roy	Approved
Levetta Jefferson	Approved	Bobby Jean Williams	Approved

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER REACTIVATION

Michelle Brown	Denied
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CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINATION

Andrea Battaglia	Approved	DeAnna Hurt	Approved
Lisa Benton	Approved	Latiya Jackson	Approved
Silvia Cabal	Denied	Sabrina Lee	Approved
Sonya Cruel	Approved	Katherin Manning	Approved
Joycelyn Curtis	Approved	William Royal	Approved
Marla Grady	Approved	Johnson Thomas	Approved

2nd or 3rd REVIEW/RECEIVED ADDITIONAL INFO

Lisa Dale (2 nd)	Denied	Sunil Mammen (3 rd)	Approved
Celeste Dickson (2 nd)	Approved	Tonya Ruffin (2 nd)	Denied
Joseph Driggers (2 nd)	Approved	Ronald Whalen (2 nd)	Denied

REINSTATEMENT/REQUIRED TO TAKE EXAM

John Prather	Denied
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CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINATION WAIVER

Donna Johnson Approved Stephen Schenthal Needs Interview

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER REACTIVATION

Judi Jacobs (2nd review) Denied

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

- COMP0110011 Recommend closing case due to lack of response for more information.
- COMP040015 Recommend closing case due to lack of response for more information.
- COMP030057 Recommend closing case due to lack of response for more information.
- COMP040009 Recommend closing case due to lack of response for more information.
- COMP030051 Recommend closing case due to lack of response for more information.
- COMP030052 Recommend closing case with Letter of Concern.
- COMP040013 Recommend closing case due to insufficient evidence of violation of Laws and Rules.
- COMP030080 Recommend closing case due to lack or response for more information.
- COMP040023 Recommend closing case due to Respondent complying with request of Board.
- Kathleen Connors Quarterly report received. In compliance with Consent Order.
- Juliane Kilgord Quarterly report received. In compliance with Consent Order.
- Benjamin Horton Quarterly report received. In compliance with Consent Order. Mr. Horton has completed the 24 month probationary period as stated in the Consent Order docketed August 27, 2001.
- W.S. Recommend acceptance of 16 CEU hours for compliance with Letter of Concern.
- K.G. Quarterly report received. In compliance with Letter of Concern. K.G. was interviewed on May 14, 2004 to review case and to establish a completion date for the quarterly reports. Recommend ending the quarterly reports.

Motion Groh, seconded Powell and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and reports of the Investigative Committee.

Emmalie Kirkland, Enforcement Investigator, updated the Board on cases in the Investigative Section.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Jackson, and seconded Powell and motion carried, to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Patricia R. Harwell, MFT, Chair
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