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NEW JERSEY BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **AUGUST 9, 2017**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:55 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Maureen Braun Scalera, MSW, LCSW (Chair)
Elizabeth Manley, MSW, LSW (Vice-Chair)
Paul J. St. Onge, Esq.
Deanna Sperling, MS, RN
Patricia McKernan, MSW, LSW
Philip McCabe, CSW, CAS, CDVC, DRCC
Roxanne Kennedy, MSW, LCSW

Excused:

Michelle Borden, MSW, LCSW, CSWM, DRCC
Lisa Cox, Ph.D., LCSW

Also present:

J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
Jodi C. Krugman, Deputy Attorney General
Celeste Paige, Administrative Assistant
Danielle McKenzie, Administrative Assistant

Announcement of Quorum

Board Chair Maureen Braun Scalera announced the lack of quorum and operated as a Committee until 10:04 a.m. when Deanna Sperling and Philip McCabe arrived.

Ms. Braun Scalera read the Open Public Meetings Act. In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and The Courier Post.

III. REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the June 14, 2017 public minutes which were approved by Board Chair Maureen Braun Scalera pursuant to the directive to approve meeting minutes within 30 days.. *Upon a motion by Deanna Sperling, seconded by Elizabeth Manley, the Board ratified the approved the minutes as amended. Voting in favor: All*

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director J. Michael Walker introduced the Board's new administrative staff member, Courtney Turner.

He also informed the Board that the revision to the regulations are scheduled for publication in September and that there will be a 60 day public comment period. The Telehealth Bill has been signed into law and the mental health boards are working on regulations.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following persons attended the public meeting:

Heike Zelnhefer – LCSW applicant
MaryJean Weston, LCSW, NASW-NJ Representative

Ms. Weston informed the Board that she has receive calls regarding the new Telehealth Bill. She will inform the licensees that the Board is currently working to draft regulations. She will contact Executive Director Walker or Deputy Attorney General Krugman should she receive complicated questions.

Ms. Weston asked if there was any new rules/regulations coming that would change the track of applicants for the LCSW license. Ms. Weston was informed that MAT program students must have 12 graduate "clinical" credits from an accredited school to be eligible for licensure.

Ms. Weston also posed a question regarding MAT (management/administrative track) students. Ms. Weston was informed that the coursework that the students receive will not satisfy the clinical course requirements for LCSW licensure. If new rules are adopted that change the licensure requirement, the colleges will receive notification.

VI. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS' CREDENTIALS

None

VII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE

Upon motion made by Elizabeth Manley, seconded by, Patricia McKernan the Board approved all of the following candidates as qualified for LCSW, LSW, and CSW based on review of their application documents and in accordance with the Statute and

Regulations and subject to review in the cases of pending criminal history background checks. Voting in favor: All.

LCSW APPLICATIONS PENDING BOARD APPROVAL

COMPLETED CRIMINAL HISTORY:

Zorianny Baez
Tarrance Barbee
Kathleen A. Bendul
Roxanne C. Blake
Susan Beth Byrne
Noelle Ciara
Shannon M. Dalton
Anne Donahue
Aimee Dickson
David M. Freeman
Megan Gay
Christine M. Goodstein
Stephanie A. Green
Nichole Inya-Agha
Abigail K. Johnston
Dana Lee
Sun Young Lee-Park
Abby U. Maitland
Catherine E. Nakonestchy
Alexia A. Nwaziri
James V. Nono
Bella R. Rodina
Sabrina E. Starkman
Erin Swetits
Amy Torpey
Linda B Wachtel
Sandi J. Watson
Michele Wellikoff
Jacob M. Winkler

PENDING CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK:

Tia M. Bach
Aliza Back
Virginia D. Blakeman
Ingrid Caceres

Leah T. Cahn
Daniel Chavez
Jenny E. Conger
Ashley L. Czesak
Megan R. Fox
Orly Gal
Alexandra A. Gleason
Amber L. Gregori
Vanvian Hoo
Toby R. Kantor
Harriet Kazansky
William MacPhee
Tara K. Maher
Crystal D. Mathews
Victoria Miller-Butcher
Khushbu Modh
Tiffany D. Page
Tara A. Reyes
Kerry L. Sellars
Apeksha Shah
Claudia Smith
Gail M. Spinnato
Lisa S. Thomas
Joann C. Whitmore
Lorena S. Williams
Nicole Zederbaum

LSW APPLICATION APPROVALS

Amorosano	Daina	A.
Anema	Catherine	G.
Bailer	John	T.
Baron	Alyssa	R.
Barry	Timothy	J.
Beeks	Yazmin	A.
Bressman	Alyssa	
Bruno	Gianna	C.
Camerer	Kerry	A.
Cohen	Leah	E.
Collazo	Tito	J.
Coral-Bianculli	Kattya	F.
Cox	Dana	M.
Deshmukh	Jessica	M.

Diniro	Gina	M.
Espstein	Ilana	N.
Feit	Sara	L.
Foster	David	
Galindez	Anna	M.
Gatens	Adele	M.
Gil	Diana	P.
Gonzalo	Joslainez	
Griswold	Ross	E.
Grollman	Jessica	D.
Johnson	Danielle	N.
Kaplan	Aliza	I.
Kaston	Brinley	
Lisowski	Danielle	C.
Lourie	Theresa	A.
Marino	Samantha	
McGuire	Rebecca	A.
Mikh	Lori	M.
Milch	Nicole	F.
Mitchell	Rebecca	J.
Moore	Hillary	
Morse	Robin	
Neito	Alejandro	
Neuberger	Aharon	Y,
Oquendo	Daznette	
Parada	Inayah	K.
Petrone	Brianna	S.
Petty	Cathrine	
Robinson	Sharifa	M.
Rodriguez	Erica	L.
Saks	Samantha	J.
Santo	Samantha	
Schuyler	Donna	
Sesay	Fanny	Y.
Shiner	Jillian	M.
Sorcher	Sarah	
Staniland	Alyssa	A.
Stys	Megan	T
Torres	Camilo	J.
Vangeldren	Ashley	R.
Walker	Jillian	

Weiss Yaacov D.

CRIMINAL HISTORY PENDING

Acevedo	Melissa	
Acosta	Sheila	
Aguiar	Rosadigna	Y.
Alexander	Asha	A.
Amabile	Alyssa	N.
Amin	Ana	
Balestiero	Lauryn	E.
Barry	Sanukta	
Basch	Yehoshua	Y.
Blossfeld	Katie	L.
Blum	Avrom	E.
Botta	Diane	M.
	Fatima	
Boubyane	Azzahra	
Bowen	Angela	M.
Boyd-Stansislaus	Britnie	M.
Bragen	Jessica	L.
Brangman	Shawmae	
Cali	Sachini	D.
Camisa	Catherine	M.
Capawana	April	A.
Caputo	Susan	A.
Carvalho	Julio	R.
Cianciotto	Justin	M.
Ciociola	Heather	B.
Conyers	Ashley	V.
Cook	Leanne	T.
Cornelius	Georgianna	
Cortes-Garces	Ana	L.
Cullen	Shana	R.
Currie	Laura	A.
D'Amore	Nicole	P.
Daza-Saaveda	Vanessa	A.
Desantos	Kaylin	A.
Diacheysn II	Jospeh	E.

Diaz	Nidia	
Diaz-Balart	Ingrid	U.
Dibble	Kara	H.
DiGirolamo	Alea	T.
DiLauri	Fiorina	C.
Domnitz	Stephanie	L.
Dramis	Michelle	L.
Driver	Tanasha	
Erlanger	Elchanan	
Feldman-Levy	Suzanne	
Ferren-Bey	Turqueya	K.
Finch	Kathleen	M.
Fiorenzi	Alexandra	R.
Friedman	Yehuda	
Gerson	Rivka	B.
Gianone	Stefanie	A.
Gil Farias	Maria	B.
Goodman	Luigia	R.
Gorbos	Kerry	A.
Gorman	Leigh	P.
Guerra	Edith	
Guzman	Stephanie	
Hamden	Emman	
Harcum-White	Delilah	S.
Henriquez	Silvia	P.
Hershkovich	Daniel	
Hiraldo	Kari	
Horan	Kathryne	M.
Howell	Derrick	R.
Hromy	Joseph	J.
Huffaker	Kristin	
Ifrah	Jonathan	R.
Iturriaga	Joseph	D.
Jain	Shweta	
Jobs	Jennifer	M.
Jones	Kristen	L.
Kafka	Jacob	J.
Khazael	Sam	A.
Kibel	Yaakov	D.
Kifer	Samantha	L.
Kimball	Lora	A.

Kinney	Megan	E.
Kuhl	Allyssan	M.
Landwehr	Stephanie	L.
Lazarovska	Ivona	
Levy	Diana	L.
Lewin	Latoya	R.
Lindsay	Sarah	A.
Loane	Katherine	E.
Maher	Christy	R.
Malhotra	Reema	R.
Malone	Kathryne	
Mancuso	Matthew	C.
Mariano	Darly	
Marmol	Michelle	
Martin	Krystin	E.
Martinez	Carolina	P.
McDermott	Mackenzie	L.
McKeown	Caitlyn	M.
McNeill	Michael	A.
McTernan	Frances	M.
Mejia	Dinorah	S.
Metellus	Laura	G.
Michaels	Jonathan	S.
Mort	Nicole	C.
Nannarone	Rebecca	A.
Ofori	Joyce	
Pacifico	Bethany	R.
Pallo	Kerstin	J.
Patel	Alicia	R.
Pekier	Ahuva	
Perez-Martinez	Ana	
Piermattei	Stephany	V.
Pinckney	Breuana	M.
Poeschl	Megan	P.
Poliseno	Alicia	D.
Ramos	Alexis	
Reichelt	Jamie	M.
Reuda	Bridgitte	A
Ricks	Madison	E.
Riley	Mary	G.
Rivera	Grace	J.

Rizzo	Dana	M.
Rosen	Debra	S.
Rosenberg	Kayla	D.
Rountrea	Alexis	C.
Rudinger	Molly	K.
Saillien	Sienna	A.
Salfeld	Bettina	E.
Salib	Jacqulean	A.
Sander	Jordan	B.
Sanguinetti	Ashley	N.
Santiago	Nydia	L.
Saporito	Silver	D.
Scott	Gail	K.
Sellmann	Emily	A.
Sharack	Destiny	L.
Signer	Sarah	E.
Skolnick	Caitlyn	M.
Sloan	Ashley	M.
Snyder	Samantha	H.
Sorto	Vanessa	M.
Stefanik	Jennifer	J.
Sweeney	Kendall	L.
Tapp	Taylor	L.
Tattoli	Clair	
Teague	Toni	E.
Tnnenbaum	Davis	Y.
Travis	Sean	C.
Valeski	Angela	
Vallimont	Gina	E.
Vera	Patrick	A.
Vizcarrondo	Judith	
Waleck	Jessica	K.
Walker	Amanda	L.
Warren	Nicole	L.
Weaver	Elizabeth	F.
Weinberger	Sara	D.
Weiskopf	Abraham	N.
Whartnaby	Jennifer	L.
Willems	Stephanie	
Williams	Patrick	A.
Willis	Kelly	A.

Yanowitz	Jennifer	S.
Yoon	Kaye	K.

Additions:

Amanda Arciero
Ebony A. Reliford
Timothy Bracaglia
Abdulmaalik I. Jackson
Christine L. Bruce
Giovanna D.
Coppola
Ashley Yerovi Isaacson
Cynthia M. Kelley
Ashley Marsh
Erica I. Tait
Tammy Smith

CSW APPLICATION APPROVALS

Abudeye, Brandon
Aguilar, Sheribel
Agwanihu, Stanley
Amparo, Alis
Anderson, Kacie
Barakakos, Reana
Berin, Emma
Bolotna, Svitlana
Byck, Michael
Demartini, Tanya
Dias, Nickalla
DiLouie, Linda
Elisias, Katia
Farfalla, Miranda
Flaherty, Meaghan
Gavica, Karen Kaye
Haynes, Nicole
Jones-Holland, Denise
Kasbohm, Hannah
Lee, Andrew
Lopez, Bianca
Micelli, Kyle
Monforto, Joseph
Munoz, Pamela

Noone, Erin
Peguero, Nicole
Peri, Rebecca
Preston, Alessandra
San Martin, Theresa
Sutton, Donna
Zapolski, Brenda
Zappia, Meredith

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Ozie G. Hammond, Jr., LCSW (suspended)

The Board reviewed the reinstatement application for Ozie G. Hammon, Jr., LCSW
Upon a motion by Patricia McKernan and Elizabeth Manley, the Board the matter to the executive session for discussion.

2. Trisha Stewart

The Board reviewed Ms. Stewart's response to the Board's May 4, 2017 letter regarding clarification of the aspects of the supervision program at Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Treatment (TF-CBT) at Safe and Sound Somerset.

Upon a motion by Patricia McKernan and Elizabeth Manley, the Board approved the current supervision process.

IX. DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

1. Patricia Packard, MSW, quarterly supervision report from Nelson L. Hadler, LCSW.

The Board noted the striking redundancy in the content of the reports submitted. Mr. Hadler will be instructed to ensure that content is updated to reflect current practice with current examples from the past quarter of weekly supervision and provide specific examples of issues discussed in supervision. *The Board will ask Mr. Hadler to submit supervision notes from the last quarter.*

2. Heather A. Wetzel, LCSW 0 Interim Consent Order of voluntary Surrender of License filed with the Board on June 13, 2017 –

The Board reviewed the Interim Consent Order of Voluntary Surrender of License and *accepted it as informational.*

3. William E. Schoonover & Susan Schoonover – Consent Order against both of them filed with the Board on April 24, 2017

The Board reviewed the filed Consent Orders *and accepted them both as informational.*

4. I/M/O Kathy Callahan, LCSW – Provisional Order of Discipline

The Board has not received Ms. Callahan response to the allegations made in a complaint amid multiple emails with her intend to respond.

Upon a motion by Patricia McKernan, seconded by Elizabeth Manley, the Board determined to issue Ms. Callahan a Final Order of Discipline (FOD) without modification.

5. I/M/O Kathleen Lawless Schmidt, LCSW, supervision report from Jamie Nappi, LCSW

The Board reviewed the report submitted by Jamie Nappi and *recommends that Mrs. Lawless Schmidt resume independent practice.*

6. I/M/O Christine Mischenko, LSW, LCADC, supervision report from Wendie Huntley, LCSW

The Board reviewed the supervision report submitted by Wendie Huntley. The Board had concerns regarding the number of hours Ms. Mischenko has accrued as a clinical director. It appears as if she is in a clinical environment but not providing clinical interventions. Ms. Mischenko will be asked to about the types of interventions she offers that equate to 16 hours per week of clinical experience. *The Board will request that Ms. Mischenko submit a log documenting the 1024 clinical services hours she has provided in the final weeks of supervision.*

X. MEETING DATES FOR 2017

September	13, 2017	Hudson Conference Room
October	11, 2017	Hudson Conference Room
November	8, 2017	Hudson Conference Room
December	13, 2017	Hudson Conference Room

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Patricia McKernan, seconded by Elizabeth Manley, the public meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. Voting in favor: All