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SOCIAL WORK CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
September 6, 2002

Members Present: Roberta Gastineau, Joy Shearman, Cathryn Lore  
Staff Present: Debra Rinaudo, Marc Harris, A.A.G., Patricia Reynolds, Diane Petr, Mary Wilson  
Public present: H. W.\*, Suzanne Connelly  
Public by telephone: Arnold Lopez, Carol Brogna, Constance Shuler

1. **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. on September 6, 2002, with Ms. Gastineau presiding.

2. **Roll call**

See above.

3. **Review and approval of minutes**

Ms. Shearman moved, seconded by Ms. Gastineau, to approve the general meeting minutes from the August 2, 2002, meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to approve the general meeting minutes from the July 30, 2002, teleconference as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Review, consideration and action of complaint and other disciplinary matters**

A. *Cathy Drucker*

Tabled

B. *2002-0012, Carol Brogna, SW-17001*

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the case. Ms. Brogna addressed the committee by telephone.

Following review and discussion by committee members, Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Lore, to recommend to the Board to find a violation of A.R.S. 32-3251(9)(i) as it relates to NASW 1.08(A), access to records, and 32-3251(9)(j), conduct that impairs the ability to safely practice for issuing blank releases, and to offer a consent agreement that stipulates one-year probation with completion of a 3-credit hour ethics class that addresses recordkeeping or a recordkeeping class that addresses ethics. The motion failed with Ms. Lore and Ms. Shearman opposed.

Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3). The motion passed unanimously and the Board went into Executive Session at 2:35 p.m. and reconvened its regular meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Following further discussion by committee members, Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to recommend to the Board to find a violation of A.R.S. 32-3251(9)(i) as it relates to NASW 1.08(A), access to records, and 32-3251(9)(j), conduct that impairs the ability to safely practice for issuing blank releases, and to offer a consent agreement that stipulates one-year probation and a \$250 fine to be paid within 60 days from the date of the notice to the professional that the Board has accepted the signed consent agreement. The motion carried with Ms. Gastineau opposed.

C. *2002-0005, Constance Shuler, SW-38421*

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the case. Ms. Shuler addressed the committee by telephone and explained that, as a mandatory reporter, she was required to report the information she received indicating possible sexual abuse of a child.

\* The names of all clients involved in disciplinary matters are confidential and are represented by initials only.

The complainant, H.W., appeared in person to address the committee. He reviewed the damage done to his family as a result of the professional's report to CPC. He stated his belief that the professional was not justified in making the report.

Following review and discussion by committee members, Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to recommend to the Board to dismiss this complaint as unfounded. The motion passed unanimously.

*D. Suzanne Connelly, SW-1454I*

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the case. The Board's record does not indicate that the Board ever sent a letter to the professional indicating any resolution of the complaint. Ms. Connelly appeared in person and addressed the committee. The professional was advised that in the future she has to disclose that she had a complaint.

Following review and discussion by committee members, Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Gastineau, to process the pending renewal. The motion passed unanimously.

*E. Arnold Lopez, SW-1307I*

Ms. Reynolds summarized the facts of the case. Mr. Lopez addressed the committee by telephone. Committee members discussed the fact that Mr. Lopez was not notified of the final disposition of the complaint. The professional was advised that in the future he has to disclose that he had a complaint.

Following review and discussion by committee members, Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Lore, to process the pending renewal. The motion passed unanimously.

*The committee took a break from 3:07 to 3:15 p.m.*

**5. Report from the Chair**

*A. Substantive Policy Statement*

Tabled

*B. Appointment of delegate*

Ms. Rinaudo reported that the ASWB meeting will be in Savannah and the committee needs to appoint a delegate to attend. Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to appoint either Ms. Rinaudo or Ms. Reynolds as the delegate. The motion passed unanimously.

*C. CPS social workers receiving supervision from outside of DES*

Tabled

**6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff**

*A. General Agency Operations*

Ms. Rinaudo reported that the current complaint schedule does not give Board members enough time during their 3 hour monthly meeting to complete all pending business. Ms. Rinaudo indicated that it may be necessary to reschedule the Social Work Credentialing Committee meeting to accommodate a longer Board meeting.

Ms. Rinaudo reported that the Sunrise Report has been filed. Ms. Rinaudo and Tim Hofmann will be on several radio programs this fall to discuss licensure.

Ms. Rinaudo distributed a memo from a CPS intake hotline worker describing a proposal to obtain clinical supervision from a supervisor not employed by CPS. Consideration of this issue was postponed to the October meeting.

**7. Committees and other committee reports/matters**

*A. Board*

Ms. Gastineau reported that a workgroup will be formed to study the issue of supervision being provided to social workers by non-CISWs.

**8. National and regional trends involving the professions(s)**

No report

**9. Review, consideration, and action of supervision/work experience and/or exemptions**

*A. Beth Lee*

Following review and discussion, Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Gastineau, to approve 50% of the hours provided by Ms. Pickle. The motion passed unanimously.

*B. Diane McCaw*

Following review and discussion, Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to approve 50% of the hours provided by Mr. Schindle. The motion passed unanimously.

*C. Norma Benedict*

Following review and discussion, Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Lore, to deny the supervision exemption request for hours provided by Mr. Applegate. The motion carried with Ms. Lore opposed.

**10. Review, consideration and action of consent agenda for inactive, extension and exam accommodation requests**

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to approve the consent agenda, as reviewed by Ms. Gastineau, granting an exam extension to Miriam Arene. The motion passed unanimously.

**11. Review, consideration and action of applications for certification**

*The committee reviewed files from 3:45 to 4:20 p.m.*

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to recommend to the Board to approve Julie Pietrandoni, Theresa Robben and Maribeth Schmidt as CBSWs after passing the required examination. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Mr. Shearman, to recommend to the Board to approve James Gomon and Mande Wersinger as CBSWs. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Shearman moved, seconded by Ms. Lore, to recommend to the Board to approve Elaine Herman as a CMSW. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to recommend to the Board to approve the following five applicants as CISWs:

Randy Gearhart	Betty Palles	Richard Sasicki
Richard Kelley	Jodi Richardson	

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Shearman moved, seconded by Ms. Gastineau, to recommend to the Board to approve the following nine applicants as CMSWs after passing the required examination:

Shirley McKinley	Karena Bolduc	Scott Hooyman
Beth Lee	Sarah Borden	Mildred Cotto
Michelle Tonsfeldt	Kathryn Streer-Seidler	Georgiana Vega

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Gastineau moved, seconded by Ms. Lore, to recommend to the Board to approve the following eight applicants as CISWs after passing the required examination:

Tandy Beard	Ky Resh	Thomas Brinson
Michelle Richter	Sharon Shavit	Donald Hardin
Annette Sproul	Diane Whisler	

The motion passed unanimously.

**12. Future agenda items**

Exploration of appropriate disciplinary sanctions

**13. Call for public comment**

None

14. **Establishment of future meeting date(s)**

The next meeting is scheduled for October 4, 2002, at 1:30 p.m.

15. **Adjournment**

Ms. Lore moved, seconded by Ms. Shearman, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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Ms. Cathryn Lore  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Date