

North Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners

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Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2023

Present: Lacey Corneliusen, Jennifer Boeckel, Rhonda Allery, Melissa Waind, Rebecca Stutz
Absent: Holly Hammarsten, Cory Pedersen
Other: Lisa Feldner, Kristen Rubbelke, Alicia Rixen, Matt Mege

- I. Lacey Corneliusen called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm
- II. Meeting minutes - minutes for April 3, 2023 were approved as submitted.
- III. Ratification of Licensees - approved.
- IV. New board training- June 8-9th with 8 CEUs
- V. Policy Discussion
 - A. Compact
 1. SB2012 attached a compact study to the DHS budget bill.
 2. SB2345 is an addition doing away with licensing exams or taking action on it. It will take to the House floor tomorrow.

(Melissa Waind joined at 6:12 pm)

- B. LCSW Supervision
 1. Most states require 2-5 years. At this time, nothing prohibits LCSW's from supervising as soon as they are licensed. Propose ideas to Matt at the Attorney General's Office to draft Administrative Rules. Notice of the hearing and send it to the Legislative council can have ratification by next fall.
 2. Alternative exam rule to be added to Administrative Rules
 3. Proposal to add any other changes to code at our in person meeting June 13th.
- VI. Election of officers
 - A. President Hammersten would like to step down as president.
 - B. Allery nominates Boeckel as president and Corneliusen as vice president. Stutz seconds the motion. No discussion, roll call. Motion carries.
- VII. Other
 - A. CE Broker
 1. A few glitches at the moment but we are working through it
 - B. Background checks

1. There have been a lot of applications that are not disclosing their records. AG's office is going to work on language that we can add to the application to disclose everything.
- VIII. Executive session -return at 7:30pm
- A. Motion made by Boeckel, Stutz seconds the motion. Roll call. Motion carries at 7:00pm
 - B. Executive session adjourned at 7:45 pm
 - C. Public invited to join meeting
- IX. Discipline
- A. 2022-13
 1. Settlement agreement in regards to the following ethics violations:
 - a) 4.05 impairment
 - b) 4.03 private conduct
 - c) 1.07 privacy and confidentiality
 - d) 2.01 respect for colleagues
 2. Waived motion, Allery seconds the motion, roll call. Motion carries.
 - B. 2022-15 & 2023-02
 1. Allery made the motion to dismiss these cases. Stutz seconded the motion. Roll call motion carries.
 - C. 2023-43
 1. Send a settlement agreement to the licensee. Allery made a motion. Boeckel seconded the motion. Roll call. Motion carries.
 - D. 2068
 1. Allery made a motion to send a settlement agreement. Boeckel seconded the motion. Roll call. Motion carries.
- X. Next meeting
- A. Special Meeting May 22, 2023 at 6:30 pm
 - B. June 13, 2023 (4 hour quarterly meeting)
- XI. Adjournment

Addendum to meeting minutes:

ND Board of Social work Examiners Board Chair duties include signing authority on all financial matters, including and not limited to: checking accounts, savings accounts certificate of deposits. The board chair provides a second signature on all checks written.

The March 14, 2023 meeting minutes were approved in the June 13, 2023 meeting.