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CHARLES BORSTEL COMMISSIONER, DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

Board Meeting Minutes July 24, 2018

TIME: 9:30 AM

PLACE: 1000 Washington Street

Boston, MA 02118

ATTENDANCE: Melanie Robinson Findlay, Chair

Carla Saccone, Vice-Chair

Dana Zais Jeffrey Trant

ABSENT: Teresita Ramos, Secretary

Shaynah Barnes

STAFF: Erin LeBel, Executive Director

Erin Murphy, Program Coordinator James O'Connor, Board Counsel

Ellen D'Agostino

Matthew Runge, Investigator

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by the Chair, Melanie Robinson

Board Counsel, James O'Connor reviewed the emergency exit procedures with Board members.

Minutes:

Lauren Gablinske motioned to accept the December June 26, 2018 minutes. The motion was seconded by Melanie Robinson Findlay and the motion passed unanimously.

Application Review: Ms. Richea Jackson Deloach (the applicant) presented herself to the requesting a hearing on her license denial. The applicant license had been denied by the Board at its April 24, 2018 meeting and a letter was sent the next day informing the applicant of her denial. It was discussed that the applicant hours and hours of supervision did not meeting specifications in the regulations. The applicant asked for a "template" so that she could get the application correctly completed. The applicant was informed that the regulations set forth what the requirements are for licensure. The applicant indicated that she would get the form filled out correctly and submit it for consideration for the Board.

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Investigative Conference:

At 10:38 a.m., Jeffrey Trant moved to suspend the open meeting and go to into investigative conference pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 112, Section 65C

The Chair anticipated that the Board's open meeting would resume in approximately 60 minutes.

For the record, while in Investigative Conference:

Review Cases:

SW 2018-0552-IT-ENF case tabled – Respondent invited to next meeting SW 2018-0364-IT-ENF case dismissed w/advisory letter SW 2017-000414-IT-ENF – Discussed settlement terms with Prosecutor

Discussion Items:

The Board discussed the issue of whether DCF Licensed Certified Social Workers are getting the clinical social work experience and supervision to qualify for licensure as a Licensed Independent Social Worker. As a result of this discussion, Melanie Robinson Findlay motioned to invite 3 LCSW's applying for the LICSW and their clinical supervisors to the next meeting to discuss their experience. The motion was seconded by Shaynah Barnes and passed unanimously by the Board.

12:10 am: adjourn

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin LeBel, MS, LICSW Executive Director. for Teresita Ramos, Secretary

Erin Murphy, LICSW

Program Coordinator

List of Documents:

June 26, 2018 Meeting minutes Application of Ms. Richea Jackson Deloach