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# Board Meeting Minutes March 27, 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 10:16 a.m. by Melanie Robinson Findlay and seconded by Carla Saccone.

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

#### **Minutes:**

Carla Saccone motioned to accept the December 19, 2017 minutes. The motion was seconded by Dana Zais and there was no objection by the Board.

**Open Meeting:** At 10:20 AM, the Board met with E.L.to discuss competence. Dana Zais motioned to allow E.L. to proceed. This motion was seconded by Melanie Robinson Findlay and approved by the Board.

### **Investigative Conference:**

At 11:49 a.m., Dana Zais moved to suspend the open meeting and go to into investigative conference pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 112, Section 65C, to ratify decisions pertaining to SW-2017-000947-IT-ENF; SW-2017-001194-IT-ENF; SW-2017-001247-IT-ENF;

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SW-2017-001420-IT-ENF; SW-2017-001450-IT-ENF; SW-2017-001458-IT-ENF; SW-2017-001538-IT-ENF; SW-2018-000008-IT-ENF and review SW-2017-001248-IT-ENF; SW-2017-001409-IT-ENF; 2017-001424-IT-ENF; SW 2017-1525; 2018-000008-IT-ENF; 2018-000023-IT-ENF. This motion was seconded by Jeff Trant and unanimously accepted by the Board.

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

For the record, while in Investigative Conference:

## The Board ratified the following decisions-

SW-2017-000947-IT-ENF: Dismiss

SW-2017-001194-IT-ENF: Forward to Prosecutions SW-2017-001247-IT-ENF: Dismiss, Open CE case

SW-2017-001420-IT-ENF: Invite licensee in

SW-2017-001450-IT-ENF: Dismiss with Advisory SW-2017-001458-IT-ENF: Forward to Prosecutions

SW-2017-001538-IT-ENF: Tabled

SW-2018-000008-IT-ENF: Return to OI

#### **Review Cases:**

SW-2017-001248-IT-ENF: Dismissed

SW-2017-001409-IT-ENF: Forward to Prosecutions

2017-001424-IT-ENF: Tabled

SW 2017-1525: Tabled

2018-000008-IT-ENF: Tabled 2018-000023-IT-ENF: Tabled

#### **Discussion Items:**

1. RM application: The Board reviewed the applicant's job description and determined that the applicant did not have clinical social work experience as defined in the regulations. Dana Zais motioned to not accept the experience but welcomed the applicant to submit additional information which shows that she has the requisite experience. This motion was seconded by Carla Saccone and approved by the Board.

## Items not reasonably anticipated:

1. R. J-D application: Carla Saccone motioned to deny this application as the applicant does not have the requisite Post-Baccalaureate experience to apply for the license. Melanie Robinson Findlay seconded this motion and all were in favor.

11:12 am: Melanie Robinson Findlay left. Quorum lost.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin LeBel, MS, LICSW Executive Director.

for Teresita Ramos, Secretary

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Erin Murphy, LICSW

**Program Coordinator** 

# **List of Documents:**

December 19, 2017 Minutes RM job description