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**Board of Social Workers
Public Session Meeting Minutes**
December 17, 2024

TIME: 9:34 a.m.

ATTENDANCE: Quanesha Fuller
Carrie Kelley
Scune Carrington (left the meeting at 12:29 p.m.)
Marcia Roddy
Tamara Lundi
Yvonne Ruiz
Charlene Zuffante (arrived at 11:03 a.m.)

STAFF: Brian Bialas, Executive Director
Judith Bromley, Board Counsel
Lauren McShane, Investigative Supervisor
Doris Lugo, Investigator

All board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m.

Board Business

- **Roll Call Vote for Attendance:** Mr. Bialas called the roll of board members. Quanesha Fuller, Carrie Kelley, Scune Carrington, Marcia Roddy, Tamara Lundi, and Yvonne Ruiz all present by videoconference.
- **Public Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2024:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Kelley, seconded by Ms. Carrington, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2024. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, with Ms. Roddy, Ms. Ruiz, and Ms. Fuller abstaining.

- **Executive Session Minutes of November 19, 2024:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Carrington, seconded by Ms. Kelley, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of November 19, 2024. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote, with Ms. Roddy, Ms. Ruiz, and Ms. Fuller abstaining.

Application Reviews – Reference

- **Janelle Alexandra Rodriques, Applicant for LCSW:** The Board reviewed Ms. Rodriques' application, including a reference. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to invite Ms. Rodriques' former supervisor who wrote the reference to a meeting for an interview.
- **Nechama Smith, Applicant for LCSW:** The Board reviewed Ms. Smith's application, including a reference. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Carrington, to allow Ms. Smith to continue with the licensing process. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
- **Julie Lambert, Applicant for LICSW:** The Board reviewed Ms. Lambert's application, including a reference. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to obtain a response to the reference from Ms. Lambert and confirm that Ms. Lambert has enough experience hours for licensure.

Application Review – Reference and Experience

- **Cyril Slemaker, Applicant for LCSW:** The Board reviewed Mr. Slemaker's application, including a reference. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to invite Mr. Slemaker's former supervisor who wrote the reference to a meeting for an interview.

Application Review – Prior Discipline

- **Analiese Thomas, Applicant for LICSW:** The Board reviewed Ms. Thomas's application, including her disclosure of prior discipline with the Board for practicing outside the scope of her license. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to invite Ms. Thomas to a meeting or an interview.

Application Review – Prior Discipline and Pending Case

- **Marie-Noel Theodore, Applicant for LICSW:** The Board will review this application next month.

Discussion

- **Telehealth Businesses and Supervision:** The Board will discuss this topic next month.

Investigative Conference (Closed Session under G.L. c. 112, § 65C)

At 10:19 a.m., a motion was made by Ms. Carrington, seconded by Ms. Fuller, to (1) enter into investigative conference under G.L. c. 112, § 65C to conduct case interviews and review new cases, and then, after the conclusion of investigative conference, (2) not return to the public meeting and adjourn. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board entered investigative conference at 10:19 a.m.

During the investigative conference, the Board took the following actions:

Cases

SW-2023-0026 (CT):	Dismiss with advisory letter; open complaint for unlicensed practice against respondent's supervisor
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Ms. Zuffante arrived at 11:03 a.m.

SW-2023-0057 (KO):	Refer to the Office of Prosecutions
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Case Interviews

INV8556 (SC):	Interviewed respondent; dismiss
SW-2023-0075 (CL):	Interviewed respondent; refer to the Office of Prosecutions

Cases

SW-2023-0065 (SS):	Dismiss; open complaint for continuing education violation
SW-2023-0072 (YC):	Dismiss

Ms. Carrington left the meeting at 12:29 p.m.

SW-2024-0028 (JF):	Dismiss
2022-000978-IT-ENF (MG):	Dismiss with advisory letter
2022-000907-IT-ENF (AB):	Dismiss

Adjournment

At 12:56 p.m., a motion was made by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Roddy, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

Approval

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on January 28, 2025.



Brian Bialas, Executive Director

List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting:

- Agenda for Meeting of December 17, 2024
- Public Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2024
- Executive Session Minutes of November 19, 2024
- LCSW Application of Janelle Alexandra Rodriques
- LCSW Application of Nechama Smith
- LICSW Application of Julie Lambert
- LCSW Application of Cyril Slemaker
- LICSW Application of Analiese Thomas