



**Virginia Board of Social Work
Full Board Meeting Minutes
Friday, June 3, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233
Board Room 4**

- PRESIDING OFFICER:** Dolores Paulson, PhD, LCSW, Chair
- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Canek Aguirre, Citizen Member
Ebony Bugg, MSW, LCSW
Gloria Manns, MSW, LCSW (*arrived at 10:18am*)
Maria Eugenia Del Villar, MSW, LCSW
Michael Hayter, MSW, LCSW, CSAC
Teresa Reynolds, MSW, LCSW
- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Angelia Allen, Citizen Member
Jamie Clancey, MSW, LCSW
- BOARD STAFF PRESENT:** Charlotte Lenart, Deputy Executive Director- Licensing
Jaime Hoyle, JD, Executive Director
Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director- Discipline
Latasha Austin, Licensing & Operations Manager
Leoni Wells, Executive Assistant
Sharniece Vaughan, Licensing Specialist
- DHP STAFF PRESENT:** David E. Brown, D.C., Director, Department of Health Professions
Erin Barrett, Senior Policy Analyst, Department of Health Professions
- BOARD COUNSEL PRESENT:** James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General
- CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Paulson called the board meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM:** Dr. Paulson requested a roll call. Ms. Austin announced that with six (6) members of the Board present at roll call; therefore, a quorum was established.
- MISSION STATEMENT:** Ms. Hoyle read the mission statement of the Department of Health Professions, which was also the mission statement of the Board.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** **Motion:** Mr. Aguirre made a motion, which Ms. Reynolds properly seconded, to adopt the agenda with an addition for nominations from the Nomination Committee. The motion passed unanimously.
- PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The Board approved the meeting minutes from the Board Meeting held on March 4, 2022 as presented.
- AGENCY DIRECTOR REPORT:** Dr. David Brown started his report with congratulating Dr. Paulson for her service and commitment to the Board.
- Dr. Brown reported that the Governor's office is still in transition, but he is hopeful that he will be reappointed for another term.

Dr. Brown stated that the Board of Social Work in particular has worked very hard to make sure regulations are not too burdensome and to reduce barriers for licensure. If anyone has any suggestions to help better the workforce let Ms. Hoyle know so she can inform him.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT:

Dr. Paulson congratulated Mr. Hayter for being appointed to Board of Health Professions. Dr. Paulson expressed what an honor it has been to serve on the Board.

LEGISLATION & REGULATORY ACTIONS:

Legislation Update

Ms. Barrett went in detail and discussed each of the bills on the Report of the 2022 General Assembly with the Board. A copy of the report was provided with the agenda packet.

Chart of Regulatory Actions

Ms. Barrett discussed the chart of regulatory actions. A copy of the current actions was provided in the agenda packet

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Ms. Del Villar reported that the Regulatory Committee met yesterday and brought forth the following recommendations to the Board:

Changes to endorsement and reinstatement; standards of practice

Recommendation: The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed action for changes to endorsement, reinstatement and standards of practice. The Committee recommends that the Board adopt the proposed changes as final action.

Motion: Mr. Aguirre made a motion, which Ms. Reynolds properly seconded, to adopt the proposed changes as a final action. The motion passed unanimously.

Reduction in CE hours for continuation of approval to be a supervisor

Recommendation: The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed action for a reduction in CE hours for continuation of approval to be a supervisor. The Committee recommends that the Board adopt the proposed changes as a final action.

Motion: Ms. Reynolds made a motion, which Ms. Bugg properly seconded, to adopt the proposed changes as a final action. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of amendments to Guidance Documents

Guidance Document 140-7, Bylaws

Recommendation: The Committee reviewed and discussed Guidance Document 140-7, The Virginia Board of Social Work Bylaws. The Committee recommends that the Board reaffirm the Guidance Document with the suggested changes and the following additional amendment to ARTICLE II (A) (1)

A. Membership

1. The Board shall consist of nine (9) members, appointed by the Governor pursuant to Va. Code § 54.1-3703 as follows:

- a. Seven (7) shall be licensed social workers in Virginia, who have been in active practice of social work for at least five (5) years prior to appointment; and,
- b. Two (2) shall be citizen members.

Motion: Ms. Bugg made a motion, which Ms. Reynolds properly seconded, to reaffirm the Guidance Document with the suggested changes and the additional amendment to ARTICLE II (A)(1). The motion passed with two opposed.

Consideration for Guidance Document 140-10, Supervised Experience for Clinical Social Work Licensure

Recommendation: The Committee reviewed and discussed Guidance Document 140-10, Supervised Experience for Clinical Social Work Licensure. The Committee recommends that the Board repeal the Guidance Document as it is no longer needed or necessary as the information in the document is covered in the Regulations. The Guidance Document became effective in 2010 and regulations have changed since then.

Motion: Ms. del Villar made a motion, which Ms. Reynolds properly seconded, to repeal the Guidance Document as it is no longer needed or necessary as the information in the document is covered in the Regulations. The motion passed unanimously.

Decision regarding periodic review results and consideration of regulatory action following Periodic review.

Recommendation: The Committee reviewed and discussed the Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work [18 VAC140-20]. The Committee recommends that the Board retain Chapter 20 and amend it. The Committee further recommends that a Notice of Regulatory Action be drafted following the periodic review defining terms, professional conduct and other clean up as necessary.

Motion: Mr. Aguirre made a motion, which Ms. del Villar properly seconded, to retain Chapter 20 and amend it and for a Notice of Regulatory Action be drafted following the periodic review defining terms, professional conduct and other cleanup as necessary. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board took a break at 11:02 am. The meeting reconvened at 11:13am.

Nomination Committee Report:

The nomination committee recommends the following candidates for Chair and Vice Chair for the Board:

Chair: Mr. Canek Aguirre

Vice-Chair: Mr. Michael Hayter

Motion: Ms. Manns made a motion, which was properly seconded, for Mr. Aguirre and Mr. Hayter to be presented as slate of candidates to be voted on at the next Board meeting scheduled in September 2022.

Board of Health Professions – Michael Hayter, LCSW, CSAC

Mr. Hayter reported on the March 29, 2022 meeting of the Board of Health Professions. A copy of the report given was included in the agenda packet.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
REPORT:**

Ms. Hoyle reported on the budget for the Board. A copy of the financial report given was included in the agenda packet.

Ms. Hoyle remains on the Finance Committee for ASWB and the last meeting was held in April.

Ms. Hoyle reported that her staff has been productive and has been diligently working. Ms. Hoyle remains pleased with the diligence and dedication from staff.

Ms. Hoyle reported that the Compact meeting is quickly approaching and she will have an update after the Compact meeting take place.

Ms. Hoyle thanked and recognized Dr. Paulson and Ms. del Villar, for their dedication and commitment to the Board. Ms. Hoyle reported that both Dr. Paulson and Ms. del Villar second terms were expiring and their leadership would be missed.

DISCIPLINE REPORT:

Ms. Lang reported on the disciplinary statistics for the Board of Social Work from February 17, 2022– May 13, 2022. A copy of the report given was included in the agenda packet. Ms. Lang added that Ms. Reynolds and Ms. Bugg have both volunteered to take over the special conference committee. She thanked Dr. Paulson and Ms. del Villar who are rotating off the Board who have served for the past 4 years.

BOARD OFFICE REPORT:

Ms. Lenart reported on the licensure statistics for the Board from December 2021- April 2022 and the satisfaction survey results. A copy of the report given was included in the agenda packet. Ms. Lenart also discussed new technology that will be used to notify applicants about the status of their application. Ms. Lenart stated that information about temporary licensure and continuity of care were available on the website.

NEXT MEETING DATES:

Dr. Paulson announced that the next Regulatory Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2022 and the next Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 23, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Paulson adjourned the June 3, 2022 Board meeting at 11:45 am.