

**THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
REGULATORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, April 29, 2016**

The Regulatory Committee of the Virginia Board of Social Work ("Board") convened at 11:04 a.m. on Friday, April 29, 2016, at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia. Bernadette Winters, Chair called the meeting to order.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jaime Clancy, L.C.S.W.
Maria Eugenia del Villar, L.C.S.W.
Yvonne Haynes, L.C.S.W.
Dolores Paulson, L.C.S.W., Ph.D.
John Salay, L.C.S.W.
Joseph Walsh, L.C.S.W., Ph.D.
Bernadette Winters, L.C.S.W., Ph.D.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Kristi Wooten
Angelia Allen

STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Georgen, Licensing Manager
Jaime Hoyle, Executive Director
Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Charlotte Lenart, Licensing Specialist
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM:

With seven members of the Committee present, a quorum was established.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Dr. Winters read the mission statement of the Department of Health Professions, which was also the mission statement of the Board.

EMERGENCY EGRESS:

Dr. Winters announced the Emergency Egress Procedures.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The agenda was accepted as written.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joseph Lynch of the Virginia Society of Clinical Social Work provided written public comment.

Katie Hellebush on behalf of Debra Riggs, Executive Director of the National Association of Social Workers, Virginia Chapter provided written public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Dr. Walsh motioned that the minutes from the February 26, 2016 subcommittee and regulatory committee meeting be approved as written. The motion was seconded and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Committee discussed the scope of practice regarding the practice of a Baccalaureate Social Worker (“BSW”) and determined that it means “the application of social work theory, knowledge, methods, ethics and the professional use of self to restore or enhance social, psychosocial, or biopsychosocial functioning of individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations and communities. Baccalaureate Social Work is basic generalist practice that includes assessment, planning, intervention, evaluation, case management, information and referral, education, advocacy, community organization, and the development, implementation, and administration of policies, programs and activities.”

The Committee discussed the scope of practice regarding the practice of Licensed Master Social Workers (“LMSW”); however the Committee Chair requested that each committee member review the materials provided at the meeting and conduct their own research on the practice of social work at a master’s level for further discussion at the next meeting.

The topics of Psychosocial Interventions and Reinstatement/Reactivation were tabled to a later date.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was not new business.

NEXT MEETING:

Dr. Winters scheduled the next Regulatory Committee meeting for Friday, July 1, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Determine scope of practice for LMSW
- Psychosocial Interventions
- Reinstatement/Reactivation requirements

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Bernadette Winters, Chair

Jaime Hoyle, Executive Director