

Open Session Teleconference Meeting Minutes
IOWA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
November 14, 2022
Lucas State Office Building
5th Floor Conference Room, #526
Des Moines, Iowa

A hybrid meeting was held in conference room #526 of the Lucas State Office Building. Some attendees attended in-person and some attendees attended virtually via Zoom.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call/Introductions

Members Present

Lane Plugge, Public Member
Jillyn Kaufman, LISW
Teresa Daubitz, LBSW
Tony Raymer, LISW
Aaron Culley, LMSW

Staff Present

Steve Garrison, Bureau Chief
Laura Steffensmeier, Assistant Attorney General
Tony Alden, Board Executive
Jessica O'Brien, Board Executive
Beth Jorgenson, Compliance Administrator
Lacy Hepp, Assistant to Board Administration

Guests Present

Denise Rathman, NASW, Iowa Chapter

Approval of Open Session Minutes

August 8, 2022

Lane moved the Board approve the open session meeting minutes of August 8, 2022 as presented. A second was received by Raymer. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Reports

Board Executive Report

Alden reported there are currently 2,640 active licensed independent social workers, 1,885 masters' level active licensed social workers and 658 active licensed bachelor level social workers. Alden gave an overview of the Individual Board Allocations & Summary Table and reported that fees would not be raised.

Requests

This waiver is being requested for the rule from 645-280.5(2). This waiver is being requested for students currently enrolled in the Grand View University Master of Social Work (MSW) program who will graduate in April 2023, 2024, and 2025.

Raymer moved the Board approve this waiver for 645-280.5(2). A second was received by Culley. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

New Business

a) ASWB exam pass rates

Raymer gave an overview on ASWB exam pass rates and the disparities for exam-takers in People of Color on several categories. Rathman gave their input and addressed some of the changes NASW are considering. Rathman stated that there will be a zoom meeting on November 17 at 6:00 p.m. that social workers can attend to discuss the exam issues.

b) Concerns regarding recent graduates practicing pre-licensure

Raymer voiced concerns of new graduates starting therapy prior to receiving their license. Alden reminded the Board that licensees have been cited for this in the past. Alden will add information to address this in the FAQ for new graduates.

c) Discussion of practice ownership by LMSWs.

Raymer voiced concerns of LMSW's opening a private practice and claiming to be self-employed. Alden stated that these claims need to be reported to the Board. Alden will add information to the FAQ on the website. It will need to be approved by AAG before finalized.

Administrative Rules

The Board discussed the rolling 5-year review of rules 17A – review and discussion of chapters 280 through 283 to identify any potential rule changes/updates. Board discussed potential areas of change. Committee will continue its review and plans to have a draft for presentation in February.

Public Comment

Rathman informed the Board that they would have their six-hour supervision class in February. Rathman spoke highly of the Boards clarity legally and ethically.

The Board recessed at Break at 10:34 and reconvened at 10:41 a.m.

Closed Session Agenda

Review Closed Session Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2022

Raymer moved to go into closed session at 10:43 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential, pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(d), to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceeding, and pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss

the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of 17A.

Kaufman – Aye

Culley – Aye

Plugge – Aye

Daubitz – Aye

Raymer – Aye

Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 1:52 p.m.

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Raymer moved the Board approve the closed session meeting minutes of August 8, 2022 as presented. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Raymer moved the Board approve the Combined Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement, and Final Order in 18-0003 as presented. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Raymer moved the Board approve the Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges in 21-0150 and 22-0051. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Raymer moved the Board approve the Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges in 21-0344. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Raymer moved the Board approve the Agreement Not to Practice in 22-0226, 22-0326, 22-0331, and 22-0335. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Raymer moved the Board close the following: 22-0048, 22-0050, 22-0131, 22-0135, 22-0139, 22-0152, 22-0161, 22-0171, 22-0186, 22-0196, 22-0199, 22-0200, 22-0218, 22-0227, 22-0228, 22-0229, 22-0261, 22-0268, 22-0284 and 22-0340 as discussed. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Future Board Meetings:

February 13, 2023

May 8, 2023

August 14, 2023

November 13, 2023

Adjournment

Raymer moved the Board adjourn at 1:16 p.m. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.