

Open Session Teleconference Meeting Minutes
IOWA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
August 8, 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

Members Absent

None

Staff Present

Laura Steffensmeier, Assistant Attorney General

Tony Alden, Board Executive

Beth Jorgenson, Compliance Administrator

Guests Present

None

Moved to go into close session

Closed Session Agenda

Review Closed Session Meeting Minutes May 9, 2022 for 21-0239 and 19-0105.

Raymer moved to go into close session at 9:02 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(21)(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 proceedings, and pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case according to the provisions of 17A. A second was received by Plugge. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Kaufman – Aye,

Plugge– Aye,

Daubitz – Aye,

Culley – Aye

Raymer - Aye

Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 9:07 a.m.

Closed Session Meeting Minutes – May 9, 2022 for 21-0239 Recuse Raymer

Plugge moved the Board approve the closed session meeting minutes. A second was received by Daubitz. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Closed Session Meeting Minutes – May 9, 2022 for 19-0105

Raymer moved the Board approve the closed session meeting minutes. A second was received by Plugge. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Plugge moved the Board approve 21-0239 as amended. A second was received by Daubitz. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Plugge moved the Board approve 19-0105 as presented. A second was received by Raymer. All ayes, nays none, motion carried. Recuse Raymer

AAG Steffensmeier returned to meeting at 9:08 a.m.

Raymer left the Board meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Announcements

Alden gave an update on travel payment forms in Google Drive and being paid.

Approval of Open Session Minutes

May 9, 2022

Daubitz moved the Board approve the open session meeting minutes of May 9, 2022 as amended. A second was received by Culley. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Reports

Board Executive Report

Alden reported there are currently 2,540 active licensed independent social workers, 1,866 masters' level active licensed social workers and 1650 active licensed bachelor level social workers.

Alden attended a virtual ASWB meeting.

Alden attended an ASWB Delegate Assembly and gave a brief update.

Alden gave an update on the new division and the move to the new location at River Point Center.

Requests

Request to waive rule 645-280.7(1)"e" regarding exam requirements—Pamela Banning. She is licensed in California and took that state's exam. Historically the Board has viewed this as a hardship. Plugge moved the Board approve the waiver request regarding exam requirements. A second was received by Culley. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Request to waive 645 IAC 280.6(7) regarding supervision for Nancy Askeland. Requesting at least 40 hours be waived. Culley moved the Board deny the waiver request regarding supervision. A second was received by Daubitz. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Request to be approved as a supervisor – 645 IAC 280.6(4)“b” – Mandy Moody. She has less than one year of independent licensure. Board requires three years. Daubitz moved the Board deny the waiver request. A second was received by Culley. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Request to waive 645 IAC 280.4(1)“a” regarding exam requirements – Kathleen Patrick. This is mandated in code to pass an exam. Plugge moved the Board deny the waiver request. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

New Business

Review Delegations of Authority to Executive Officer

The Board discussed ongoing delegations to Board staff, including reviewing and approving: (1) applications that conform with the rules, (2) applicants with criminal histories who are within 6 months of completing probation or whose conviction was more than 5 years ago, unless the crime could be directly related to the profession, (3) requests for medical extensions/exemptions for a single biennium. The Board also discussed delegations for initial complaint actions including (1) forwarding complaints for formal investigation, (2) referring to law enforcement when a complaint indicates a crime was committed, (3) closing complaints that are facially inactionable or outside of the board’s jurisdiction. Board consensus was to vote to continue delegating these approvals and actions to Board staff.

Culley moved to approve the Delegations of Authority to Board office. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Administrative Rules

Proposed Notice of Intended Action: Amend Chapter 280 rule 280.5 regarding educational qualifications, rule 280.7 regarding endorsement requirements, and rule 280.14 regarding license reactivation.

Plugge moved to approve the proposed notice of intended action. A second was received by Kaufman. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Rolling five year review of rules 17A – review and discussion of chapters 280 through 283 to identify any potential rule changes/updates. Committee members assigned are Culley and Kaufman.

Public Comment

None

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Culley moved to go into close session at 10:02 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(21)(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 proceedings, and pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case according to the provisions of 17A. A second was received by Daubitz. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Kaufman – Aye,

Plugge– Aye,

Daubitz – Aye,
Culley – Aye
Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 12:08 p.m.

Closed Session Meeting Minutes – May 9, 2022

Kaufman moved the Board approve the closed session meeting minutes. A second was received by Daubitz. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Lane moved the Board approve the Combined Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement, and Final Order on 21-0193. A second was received by Daubitz. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Lane moved the Board approve the Settlement Agreement and Final Order on 22-0040. A second was received by Culley. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Daubitz moved the Board close the following: 21-0120, 21-0145, 21-0206, 21-0210, 21-0253, 21-0286, 21-0331, 21-0348, 22-0017, 22-0028, 22-0031, 22-0033, 22-0036, 22-0045, 22-0090, 22-0101, 22-0113, 22-0129, 22-0151, and 22-0157. A second was received by Culley. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Future Board Meetings:
November 14, 2022

Adjournment

Daubitz moved the Board adjourn at 12:10 p.m. A second was received by Culley. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.