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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

F I N A L M I N U T E S

MEETING OF:

**STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS,
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS**

TIME: 9:30 A.M.

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Board Room C
One Penn Center
2601 North Third Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

May 2, 2017

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State Board of Social Workers,
Marriage and Family Therapists
and Professional Counselors
May 2, 2017

BOARD MEMBERS:

- Dr. James K. Matta, Sr., LPC, NCC, Chairperson
- Kathryn Waters, Deputy Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs
- Renee J. Cardone, MSW, LCSW, Vice Chairperson
- Dr. Joy E. Corby, LMFT
- David E. Gallick, MSW, LSW, LMFT - Absent
- Janet R. Hess, NCC, LPC
- Dr. Teniola Osundeko, LCSW
- Marilyn L. Painter, Public Member

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

- Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel
- John Karl Geschwindt, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
- Sandra E. Matter, Board Administrator

ALSO PRESENT:

- Johanna Byrd, PA NASW
- Kenniah Chestnut, Esquire
- Frida Rundell

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2 State Board of Social Workers,
3 Marriage and Family Therapists
4 and Professional Counselors

5 May 2, 2017

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7 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State
8 Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family
9 Therapists and Professional Counselors was held on
10 Tuesday, May 2, 2017. Dr. James K. Matta, Sr., LPC,
11 NCC, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:32
12 a.m.

13 ***

14 Approval of Minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting
15 [The Board discussed corrections to the Minutes.]

16 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

17 Can I have a motion for approval with
18 those revisions?

19 DR. CORBY:

20 So moved.

21 MS. HESS:

22 Second.

23 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

24 All in favor, say aye. Those opposed?
25 Those abstaining?

1 [The motion carried. Dr. Osundeko and Ms. Painter
2 abstained from voting on the motion.]

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4 Report of Prosecutorial Division

5 FYI-Case Status Report

6 [Chairperson Matta offered the case status report of
7 March 2017. There was a discussion as to the best use
8 of the data in the report.]

9 ***

10 Report of Board Counsel

11 Matters for Deliberation

12 [Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, noted the
13 following Consent Agreements for discussion during
14 Executive Session: File No. 14-69-03053, Docket No.
15 1404-69-15 and File No. 13-69-09217, Docket No. 1872-
16 69-2014. Attorney Wucinski noted eight applications
17 also for discussion by the Board and two hearings are
18 also scheduled.]

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20 Legislation

21 [Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, discussed
22 Senate Bills 530 and 531 regarding Licensed Clinical
23 Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists.
24 She stated the overall goal of the bills is to require
25 licensure for people who are practicing independently

1 and also further defines the diagnoses guidelines.
2 Ms. Wucinski discussed the changes to the bills. The
3 Board members discussed the addition of supervised
4 clinical experience as a requirement completed after
5 the issuance of the Master's degree. The Board
6 expressed its concerns with regard to their
7 familiarity of upcoming bills and proposals.]

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9 Miscellaneous

10 Discussion on Supervised Clinical Experience

11 Requirement Regulations - Sections 47.12c(b)(9),
12 48.13(b)(9) and 49.13 (b)(9).

13 [The Board discussed the deletion of no less than 500
14 hours and no more than 1800 hours required in any 12
15 month period from the regulations.]

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17 Report of Regulatory Board Counsel - No Report

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19 Report of Board Chairperson

20 [Dr. James K. Matta, Sr., LPC, NCC, requested a motion
21 to attend the AASCB Annual Conference in August in
22 Greensboro, North Carolina.]

23 DR. CORBY:

24 So moved.

25 MS. CARDONE:

1 Second.

2 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

3 All in favor? Opposed?

4 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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6 Report of Board Members

7 [Renee Cardone, MSW, Vice Chairperson, discussed her
8 attendance at the ASWB spring education conference in
9 Henderson, Nevada. She noted the general theme of the
10 conference was Beyond Continuing Education, Regulating
11 Competencies in a Dynamic Profession. She further
12 noted a consensus among the attendees for the need to
13 regulate competency, but there was little research on
14 effective regulation. Ms. Cardone discussed
15 training.org, a skills development website that
16 provides quality CEs.

17 There were also discussions on the issues of
18 supervision and portability, the ability to use a
19 license from state to state. The development of a
20 database for licensed social workers was noted.

21 Ms. Cardone requested a motion to attend the
22 Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Annual
23 Meeting in November.]

24 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

25 Can we get a motion for Renee to attend

1 the ASWB Annual Meeting that's held in
2 November?

3 DR. CORBY

4 So moved.

5 MS. HESS:

6 Second.

7 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

8 All those in favor say aye. Those that
9 oppose? Those that abstain?

10 [The motion carried unanimously.]

11 ***

12 [Dr. Joy E. Corby, LMFT, requested approval to attend
13 the Association of Marriage and Family Therapy
14 Regulatory Board Annual Meeting in October.]

15 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

16 Any questions? If not, can I get a
17 motion?

18 MS. CARDONE:

19 I make a motion she be allowed to attend
20 the AMFTRB Annual Meeting in October.

21 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

22 Can I get a second?

23 DR. OSUNDEKO:

24 Second.

25 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

1 All those in favor say aye. Those that
2 oppose? Those that abstain?

3 [The motion carried unanimously.]

4 ***

5 Report of Deputy Commissioner - No Report

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7 Report of Board Administrator - No Report

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9 [Kathryn Waters, Deputy Commissioner, exited the
10 meeting at 10:49 a.m.]

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12 [The Board recessed from 10:49 a.m. to 11:07 a.m.]

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14 Miscellaneous

15 FYI

16 [Dr. Joy E. Corby, LMFT, presented on telehealth
17 certification and biannual online meetings with all
18 boards. There was discussion with regard to whether
19 or not a Pennsylvania Board can participate and the
20 mode by which a Board can participate.]

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22 [A formal hearing scheduled to be held at 11:30 a.m.

23 In the Matter of Application for a License by

24 Examination to Practice Clinical Social Work of

25 Jeannel Graham Tillman, File No. 17-69-03105, Docket

1 No. 0496-69-17, was continued.]

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3 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at
4 11:31 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session
5 with Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the
6 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations.
7 The Board returned to open session at 12:45 p.m.]

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9 MOTIONS:

10 MS. WUCINSKI:

11 Item number three will be tabled. And
12 that will be the Proposed Adjudication
13 and Order for Mina-Ayesha Blair, LSW,
14 File NO. 14-69-03053, Docket No. 1404-
15 69-15

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17 MS. WUCINSKI:

18 I believe the Board will entertain a
19 motion to adopt with changes to the
20 Draft Adjudication and Order of Paula
21 Nebroski as final. And that's at File
22 No. 13-69-09217, Docket No. 1872-69-
23 2014.

24 MS. HESS:

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So moved.

1 DR. CORBY:

2 Second.

3 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

4 All those in favor say aye. Those that
5 oppose? Those that abstain?

6 [The motion carried. Ms. Painter abstained from
7 voting on the motion.]

8 ***

9 MS. WUCINSKI:

10 I believe the Board will entertain a
11 motion to provisionally deny the
12 Application for a License by Examination
13 to Practice Clinical Social Work of
14 Lynne Julie Opsasnick.

15 DR. OSUNDEKO:

16 So moved.

17 MS. CARDONE:

18 Second.

19 CHAIRMAN MATTA:

20 All those in favor say aye. Those that
21 oppose? Those that abstain?

22 [The motion carried unanimously.]

23 ***

24 MS. WUCINSKI:

25 I believe the Board will entertain a

1 motion to approve the Application for a
2 License to Practice Social Work and to
3 take the ASWB Master's Examination for
4 Deborah Rochelle Isaiah.

5 MS. HESS:

6 So moved.

7 DR. OSUNDEKO:

8 Second.

9 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

10 All those in favor say aye. Those that
11 oppose? Those that abstain?

12 [The motion carried unanimously.]

13 ***

14 MS. WUCINSKI:

15 I believe the Board will entertain a
16 motion to provisionally deny the
17 Application for a License to Practice
18 Social Work and to take the ASWB
19 Master's Examination of Thomas Brendan
20 McClernon.

21 DR. CORBY:

22 So moved.

23 MS. CARDONE:

24 Second.

25 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

1 All those in favor say aye. Those that
2 oppose? Those that abstain?

3 [The motion carried unanimously.]

4 ***

5 MS. WUCINSKI:

6 I believe the Board will direct the
7 Board Administrator to write a letter
8 requesting more information regarding
9 the Application for Individual
10 Continuation Approval of Water Justice
11 Trinity Institute 2017 by Rebecca S.
12 Myers.

13 MS. CARDONE:

14 So moved.

15 DR. CORBY:

16 Second.

17 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

18 All those in favor say aye. Those that
19 oppose? Those that abstain?

20 [The motion carried unanimously.]

21 ***

22 MS. WUCINSKI:

23 I believe the Board will entertain a
24 motion to provisionally deny the
25 Application for a License by Examination

1 to Practice Professional Counseling of
2 Andrea Bak.

3 DR. CORBY:

4 So moved.

5 MS. HESS:

6 Second.

7 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

8 All those in favor say aye. Those that
9 oppose? Those that abstain?

10 [The motion carried unanimously.]

11 ***

12 MS. WUCINSKI:

13 I believe the Board will entertain a
14 motion to approve the Application for a
15 License by Endorsement without
16 Examination as a Clinical Social Worker
17 of Carmen Lopez.

18 MS. CARDONE:

19 So moved.

20 DR. OSUNDEKO:

21 Second.

22 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

23 All those in favor say aye. Those that
24 oppose? Those that abstain?

25 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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MS. WUCINSKI:

I believe the Board will entertain a motion to provisionally deny the Application for a License by Examination to Practice Clinical Social Work of Matthew VanderWindt.

MS. HESS:

So moved.

DR. CORBY:

Second.

CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

All those in favor say aye. Those that oppose? Those that abstain?

[The motion carried unanimously.]

MS. WUCINSKI:

I believe the Board will entertain a motion to approve the course of Theories of Play Therapy, submitted by Harbor House Trainings, LLC.

MS. CARDONE:

So moved.

Dr. OSUNDEKO:

Second.

1 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

2 All those in favor say aye. Those that
3 oppose? Those that abstain?

4 [The motion carried unanimously.]

5 ***

6 MS. WUCINSKI:

7 I believe the Board will entertain a
8 motion to approve the request of Julie
9 Yoest, LPC, to complete the Continuing
10 Education for the 2017-2019 Biennial
11 Renewal Period online.

12 DR. OSUNDEKO:

13 So moved.

14 DR. CORBY:

15 Second.

16 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

17 All those in favor say aye. Those that
18 oppose? Those that abstain?

19 [The motion carried unanimously.]

20 ***

21 [The Board recessed from 12:51 p.m. to 1:07 p.m.]

22 ***

23 [A formal hearing was held from 1:07 p.m. until 1:25
24 p.m. In the Matter of the Application for License by
25 Endorsement without Examination to Practice

1 Professional Counseling of Frida Catherine Rundell,
2 File No, 17-69-03647, Docket No. 0650-69-17]

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4 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at
5 1:26 p.m. the Board entered into Executive Session
6 with Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the
7 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations.
8 The Board returned to open session at 1:31 p.m.]

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10 MS. WUCINSKI:

11 Having returned from Executive Session,
12 I believe the Board will entertain a
13 motion to direct Board Counsel to issue
14 an Order approving the educational
15 requirements of Frida Catherine Rundell,
16 File No. 17-69-03647, Docket No. 0650-
17 69-17.

18 MS. HESS:

19 So moved.

20 DR. CORBY:

21 Second.

22 CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

23 All those in favor say aye. Those that
24 oppose? Those that abstain?

25 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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Adjournment

CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

I would entertain a motion to adjourn.

DR. CORBY:

So moved.

MS. CARDONE:

Second.

CHAIRPERSON MATTA:

All in favor say aye. Opposed?

[The motion carried unanimously.]

[The meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m.]

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors meeting.

Amy L. Warehime

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Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting
Service, Inc.

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13	9:34	Report of Prosecutorial Division
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15	9:37	Report of Board Counsel
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17	9:38	Legislation
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19	10:05	Miscellaneous
20		Discussion on Supervised Clinical
21		Experience
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23	10:24	Report of Board Chairperson
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25	10:36	Report of Other Board Members
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27	10:49	Recess
28	11:07	Return to Open Session
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30	11:09	Miscellaneous
31		FYI
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33	11:30	Formal Hearing <u>In the Matter of</u>
34		<u>Application for a License by Examination</u>
35		<u>to Practice Clinical Social Work of</u>
36		<u>Jeannel Graham Tillman</u>
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38	11:31	Executive Session
39	12:45	Return to Open Session
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43	12:51	Recess
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47		<u>Application for License by Endorsement</u>
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