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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

September 12, 2017

1                   State Board of Social Workers,  
2                   Marriage and Family Therapists  
3                   and Professional Counselors  
4                   September 12, 2017  
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7 BOARD MEMBERS:  
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9 Dr. James K. Matta Sr., LPC, NCC, Chair  
10 Ian J. Harlow, Commissioner of Professional  
11       and Occupational Affairs - Absent  
12 Renee J. Cardone, MSW, LCSW, Vice Chair  
13 Dr. Joy E. Corby, LMFT  
14 David E. Gallick, MSW, LSW, LMFT - Absent  
15 Janet R. Hess, NCC, LPC  
16 Amy K. Keisling, LCSW  
17 Dr. Kurt L. Kraus, LPC  
18 Dr. Teniola Osundeko, LCSW  
19 Marilyn L. Painter, Public Member  
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22 BUREAU PERSONNEL:  
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24 Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel  
25 Katherine Delp, Esquire, Board Prosecutor  
26 J. Karl Geschwindt, Esquire, Board Prosecutor  
27 Heather McCarthy, Esquire, Board Prosecutor  
28 Andrea Costello, Esquire, Board Prosecutor  
29 Sandra E. Matter, Board Administrator  
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32 ALSO PRESENT:  
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34 Becky Diamond, Student, National Association of Social  
35       Workers  
36 Beth Harris, Paralegal  
37 Mark Weaver, Esquire, The Mazza Law Group, Counsel for  
38 Respondent, Edward Alfred Thiry, III, LCSW  
39 Edward Alfred Thiry III, LCSW  
40 David Raho, Esquire, Counsel for Respondent, Dena Lynn  
41 Sobecky  
42 Dena Lynn Sobecky, LSW, Respondent  
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2 State Board of Social Workers,  
3 Marriage and Family Therapists  
4 and Professional Counselors

5 September 12, 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, September 12, 2017. Dr. James K. Matta, Sr.,  
11 LPC, NCC, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30  
12 a.m.

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14 Introduction of Board Members/Audience  
15 [Chair Matta requested the introduction of Board and  
16 audience members in attendance.]

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18 Approval of Minutes of the July 25, 2017 meeting  
19 [The Board discussed corrections to the Minutes.]

20 CHAIR MATTA:

21 Can I get a motion to pass the Minutes  
22 from the July 25, 2017 meeting with  
23 changes?

24 MS. CARDONE:

25 So moved.

1 CHAIR MATTA:

2 Can I get a second?

3 DR. KRAUS:

4 Second.

5 CHAIR MATTA:

6 All those in favor, say aye? Those that  
7 oppose? Those that abstain?

8 [The motion carried. Dr. Matta and Dr. Corby  
9 abstained from voting on the motion.]

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11 Report of the Prosecutorial Division

12 [Heather McCarthy, Esquire, Board Prosecutor,  
13 presented a Consent Agreement for File No.  
14 16-69-11176.]

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16 [Katherine Delp, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented  
17 Consent Agreements for File No. 14-69-06730 and  
18 14-69-12373.]

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20 [Andrea Costello, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented  
21 a VRP Agreement for File No. 17-69-01924.]

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23 [J. Karl Geschwindt, Esquire, Board Prosecutor,  
24 presented a Consent Agreement for File No.  
25 17-69-05375.]

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2 Report of Board Counsel

3 Matters for Deliberation

4 [Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, noted matters  
5 for deliberation during Executive Session.

6 Ms. Wucinski informed the Board members that the  
7 2:30 p.m. hearing was moved to 1:30 p.m. due to the  
8 1:30 hearing being continued.]

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10 Report of Board Chairperson - No Report

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12 Report Of Other Board Members

13 [Renee J. Cardone, MSW, Vice Chair, questioned the  
14 broadness of the one required CE in suicide prevention  
15 and requested further clarification. It was noted the  
16 State Board's website offered further clarification.]

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18 Report of Commissioner - No Report

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20 Report of Board Administrator

21 [Sandra E. Matter, Board Administrator, noted the 2018  
22 Board meeting dates.]

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24 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at  
25 9:48 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session

1 with Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the  
2 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations in  
3 a number of matters that are currently pending before  
4 the Board and to receive the advice of Counsel. The  
5 Board returned to open session at 1:02 p.m.]

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7 MOTIONS

8 MS. WUCINSKI:

9 I believe the Board will entertain a  
10 motion to reject the Consent Agreement  
11 as too lenient at File No. 16-69-11176.

12 CHAIR MATTA:

13 Can I get a motion?

14 MS. HESS:

15 So moved.

16 CHAIR MATTA:

17 Second?

18 MS. CARDONE:

19 Second.

20 CHAIR MATTA:

21 Any further discussion. If not, all  
22 those in favor, say aye? Those opposed?  
23 Those abstained?

24 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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1 MS. WUCINSKI:

2 I believe the Board will entertain a  
3 motion to adopt the Consent Agreement at  
4 14-69-06730, Docket 1092-69-17.

5 CHAIR MATTA:

6 Can I get a motion?

7 DR. CORBY:

8 So moved.

9 CHAIR MATTA:

10 Second?

11 DR. KRAUS:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR MATTA:

14 Any further discussion. If not, all  
15 those in favor, say aye? Those opposed?  
16 Those abstained?

17 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's  
18 name is Ann Moyer Metz, LMFT.]

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20 MS. WUCINSKI:

21 I believe the Board will entertain a  
22 motion to adopt the Consent Agreement at  
23 14-69-12373, Docket 1094-69-17.

24 CHAIR MATTA:

25 Can I get a motion?

1 DR. OSUNDEKO:

2 So moved.

3 CHAIR MATTA:

4 Second?

5 MS. CARDONE:

6 Second.

7 CHAIR MATTA:

8 Any further discussion. If not, those  
9 in favor, say aye? Those opposed?

10 Those abstained?

11 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's  
12 name case is Judith Ann Belmont, LPC. It was noted  
13 that the prosecutor will reflect the correction on  
14 page 7.]

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16 MS. WUCINSKI:

17 I believe the Board will entertain a  
18 motion to adopt the Consent Agreement at  
19 17-69-01924.

20 DR. CORBY:

21 So moved.

22 MS. HESS:

23 Second.

24 CHAIR MATTA:

25 Any further discussion. If not, those



1 in favor, say aye? Those opposed?

2 Those abstained?

3 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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5 MS. WUCINSKI:

6 I believe the Board will entertain a  
7 motion to adopt the Consent Agreement at  
8 17-69-05375. I would note that Dr.  
9 Osundeko and Ms. Hess are recused.

10 CHAIR MATTA:

11 Can I get a motion?

12 DR. KRAUS:

13 So moved.

14 MS. CARDONE:

15 Second.

16 CHAIR MATTA:

17 Any further discussion. If not, those  
18 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
19 Abstain?

20 [The motion carried. The Respondent's name is Issac  
21 S. Gelley, LCSW. Dr. Osundeko and Ms. Hess recused  
22 from deliberations and voting on the motion.]

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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 of  
3 Jeffrey Nathaniel Powell.

4 MS. KEISLING:

5 So moved.

6 DR. CORBY:

7 Second.

8 CHAIR MATTA:

9 Any further discussion. If not, those  
10 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
11 Abstain?

12 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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14 MS. WUCINSKI:

15 I believe the Board will entertain a  
16 motion to deny the request of Miranda  
17 Yahrting.

18 MS. HESS:

19 So moved.

20 MS. KEISLING:

21 Second.

22 CHAIR MATTA:

23 Any further discussion. If not, those  
24 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
25 Abstain?

1 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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3 MS. WUCINSKI:

4 I believe the Board will entertain a  
5 motion to direct Board Counsel to draft  
6 an Order adopting the Hearing Examiner's  
7 Adjudication and substituting a Final  
8 Order, as discussed in Executive  
9 Session, for Edward Alfred Thiry, III,  
10 LCSW, File No. 15-69-05643, Docket 1139-  
11 69-15. I would note that Dr. Osundeko  
12 abstained.

13 DR. KRAUS:

14 So moved.

15 DR. CORBY:

16 Second.

17 CHAIR MATTA:

18 Any further discussion. If not, those  
19 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
20 Abstain?

21 [The motion carried. Dr. Osundeko abstained from  
22 voting on the motion.]

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24 MS. WUCINSKI:

25 I believe the Board will entertain a

1 motion to adopt the Hearing Examiner's  
2 Adjudication and Order of Cindy Lee  
3 Brumbaugh, LSW, File No. 13-69-09214,  
4 Docket 1943-69-15.

5 CHAIRN MATTA:

6 Can I get a motion?

7 DR. CORBY:

8 So moved.

9 MS. CARDONE:

10 Second.

11 CHAIR MATTA:

12 Any further discussion on this case.  
13 Dr. Osundeko abstained. Those in favor,  
14 say aye? Those that oppose? We have  
15 one that abstained?

16 [The motion carried. Dr. Osundeko abstained from  
17 voting on the motion.]

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19 MS. WUCINSKI:

20 I believe the Board will entertain a  
21 motion to direct Board Counsel to issue  
22 a Final Order dismissing the Order to  
23 Show Cause and sealing the record for  
24 Jennifer S. Delvecchio, LCSW, File No.  
25 15-69-04199, Docket 0071-69-17.

1 MS. KEISLING:

2 So moved.

3 MS. PAINTER:

4 Second.

5 CHAIR MATTA:

6 Any further discussion? Those in  
7 favor, say aye? Those that oppose? Do  
8 we have any others abstained?

9 [The motion carried. Dr. Osundeko abstained from  
10 voting on the motion.]

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12 MS. WUCINSKI:

13 I believe the Board will entertain a  
14 motion to deny the request of Colleen  
15 Marie Berry to waive the requirements to  
16 take the ASWB Master's examination.

17 DR. OSUNDEKO:

18 So moved.

19 MS. CARDONE:

20 Second.

21 CHAIR MATTA:

22 Any further discussion? If not, those  
23 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
24 Abstain?

25 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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2 MS. WUCINSKI:

3 I believe the Board has directed the  
4 Board Administrator to draft a letter to  
5 Earl Grady Yarbrough, Jr. requesting  
6 additional information.

7 MS. HESS:

8 So moved.

9 DR. CORBY:

10 Second.

11 CHAIR MATTA:

12 Any further discussion? If not, those  
13 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
14 Abstain?

15 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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17 MS. WUCINSKI:

18 I believe the Board has directed the  
19 Board Administrator to write a letter to  
20 Lisa Marie Ruggiano based on the Board's  
21 discussion in Executive Session.

22 DR. KRAUS:

23 So moved.

24 MS. CARDONE:

25 Second.

1 CHAIR MATTA:

2 Any further discussion? If not, those  
3 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
4 Abstain?

5 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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7 MS. WUCINSKI:

8 I believe the Board will direct the  
9 Board Administrator to write a letter to  
10 Elizabeth del Carmen Bonilla Delgado  
11 based on the Board's discussion in  
12 Executive Session.

13 DR. CORDY:

14 So moved.

15 MS. PAINTER:

16 Second.

17 CHAIR MATTA:

18 Any further discussion? If not, those  
19 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
20 Abstain?

21 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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23 MS. WUCINSKI:

24 I believe the Board will entertain a  
25 motion to provisionally deny the

1 supervised clinical experience of  
2 Stephanie Rose Downer.

3 CHAIR MATTA:

4 Can I get a motion?

5 MS. CARDONE:

6 So moved.

7 DR. KRAUS:

8 Second.

9 CHAIR MATTA:

10 Any further discussion? If not, those  
11 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
12 Abstain?

13 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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15 MS. WUCINSKI:

16 I believe the Board has directed the  
17 Board Administrator to write a letter to  
18 Georgette Ann Gunther consistent with  
19 discussions in Executive Session.

20 MS. HESS:

21 So moved.

22 DR. OSUNDEKO:

23 Second.

24 CHAIR MATTA:

25 Any further discussion? If not, those



1 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
2 Abstain?

3 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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5 MS. WUCINSKI:

6 I believe the Board will entertain a  
7 motion to approved the supervised  
8 clinical experience of Christine  
9 Gabriel.

10 DR. CORBY:

11 So moved.

12 MS. KEISLING:

13 Second.

14 CHAIR MATTA:

15 Any further discussion on this case? If  
16 not, those in favor, say aye? Those  
17 that oppose? Abstain?

18 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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20 MS. WUCINSKI:

21 I believe the Board has directed the  
22 Board Administrator to write a letter to  
23 Shana Garrett consistent with  
24 discussions in Executive Session.

25 MS. PAINTER:

1 So moved.

2 MS. CARDONE:

3 Second.

4 CHAIR MATTA:

5 Any further discussion? If not, those  
6 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
7 Abstain?

8 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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10 MS. WUCINSKI:

11 I believe the Board will entertain a  
12 motion to approve the education of Naomi  
13 Martin.

14 DR CORBY:

15 So moved.

16 DR. OSUNDEKO:

17 Second.

18 CHAIR MATTA:

19 Any further discussion? If not, those  
20 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
21 Abstain?

22 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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24 MS. WUCINSKI:

25 I believe the Board will entertain a

1 motion to approve the application for  
2 approval as a pre-approved provider of  
3 continuing education of Hindsight  
4 Consulting Group, LLC.

5 MS. PAINTER:

6 So moved.

7 MS. HESS:

8 Second.

9 CHAIR MATTA:

10 Any further discussion? If not, those  
11 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
12 Abstain?

13 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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15 MS. WUCINSKI:

16 I believe the Board will entertain a  
17 motion to approve the education of Leigh  
18 Skvaria.

19 DR. KRAUS:

20 So moved.

21 DR. CORBY:

22 Second.

23 CHAIR MATTA:

24 Any further discussion? If not, those  
25 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?

1 Abstain?

2 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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4 Appointment

5 [A Formal Hearing was held from 1:07 p.m. until 1:42  
6 p.m. In the Matter of the Reinstatement of License to  
7 Practice Social Work of Dena Lynn Sobecky, File No.  
8 17-69-05982, Docket No. 1190-69-17.]

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10 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at  
11 1:43 p.m. the Board entered into Executive Session  
12 with Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the  
13 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations in  
14 a number of matters that are currently pending before  
15 the Board and to receive the advice of Counsel. The  
16 Board returned to open session at 1:49 p.m.]

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18 MS. WUCINSKI:

19 I believe the Board will entertain a  
20 motion to direct Board Counsel to draft  
21 a Final Order regarding the  
22 Reinstatement of the License to Practice  
23 Social Work of Dena Sobecky, File No.  
24 17-69-05928, Docket No. 1190-69-17.

25 CHAIR MATTA:

1 Can I get a motion?

2 MS. CARDONE:

3 So moved.

4 MS. PAINTER:

5 Second.

6 CHAIR MATTA:

7 Any further discussion? If not, those  
8 in favor, say aye? Those that oppose?  
9 Abstain?

10 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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12 Adjournment

13 CHAIR MATTA:

14 Can I get a motion for adjournment?

15 DR. CORBY:

16 So moved.

17 DR. OSUNDEKO:

18 Second.

19 CHAIR MATTA:

20 All those in favor, say aye?

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22 [There being no further business, the State Board of  
23 Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and  
24 Professional Counselors' meeting adjourned at 1:49  
25 p.m.]

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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.



Adam Beck,  
Minute Clerk  
Sargent's Court Reporting  
Service, Inc.

STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS,  
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS  
AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
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TIME	AGENDA
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9:31	Introduction of Board Members/Audience
9:32	Approval of Minutes
9:33	Report of the Prosecutorial Division
9:42	Report of Board Counsel
9:43	Report From Other Board Members
9:47	Report of Board Administrator
9:48	Executive Session
1:02	Return to Open Session
1:02	Motions
1:07	Formal Hearing - Dena Lynn Sobecky
1:43	Executive Session
1:49	Return to Open Session
1:49	Adjournment