

**Child Welfare Employee Licensure Board
Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2015
The Baby Fold, Normal, Illinois**

Board Members Present

Karen Major
Hope Carbonaro
Tiffany Jones
Judi Bradley
Mary Ochman-Ahmed
Jeanne Flynn

Members Absent:

Debra Dyer-Webster
Mikal Rasheed

Others Present

Janet Ahern, DCFS Legal
Christi Sullivan, CWEL Office

Meeting was called to order by Karen Major at 10:15 a.m.

Welcome/Introduction:

Karen welcomed members and explained that we had several cases to discuss during closed session.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the September 8, 2014 meeting were introduced. Judi Bradley moved to accept the minutes from the September 8, 2014 meeting as presented. Jeanne Flynn seconded the motion. Vote: Yes (5) abstain: (1) Hope Carbonaro- was not present at meeting. Motion carries. Minutes from the September 8, 2014 meeting approved as presented.

Minutes from the September 29, 2014 teleconference were introduced. Jeanne Flynn moved to accept the minutes from the September 9, 2014 teleconference as presented. Hope Carbonaro seconded the motion. Vote: Yes (5) abstain: (1) Mary Ochman-Ahmed- was not present at meeting. Motion carries. Minutes from the September 29, 2014 teleconference approved as presented.

Minutes from the November 19, 2014 meeting were introduced. Mary Ochman-Ahmed moved to accept the minutes from the November 19, 2014 meeting as presented. Judi Bradley seconded the motion. Vote: Yes unanimous. Motion carries. Minutes from the November 19, 2014 meeting approved as presented.

Minutes from the November 24, 2014 teleconference were introduced. Jeanne Flynn moved to accept the minutes from the November 24, 2014 teleconference as presented. Mary Ochman-Ahmed seconded the motion. Vote: unanimous. Motion carries. Minutes from the November 24, 2014 teleconference approved as presented.

Minutes from the January 12, 2015 teleconference were introduced. Judi Bradley moved to accept the minutes from the January 12, 2015 teleconference as presented. Hope Carbonaro seconded the motion. Vote: unanimous. Motion carries. Minutes from the January 12, 2015 teleconference approved as presented.

Rule 412 Update:

Christi Sullivan notified the members that the revisions to Rule 412 are moving forward. Revisions are now on the second notice with JCAR. The CWEL Office is working on revising procedures to be in line with the revisions.

Board Openings:

Christi Sullivan reminded members that board has one vacant POS position and one university faculty position that need to be filled. Karen Major's term will be up this year and we will need an additional POS candidate. There are two university candidates that have expressed interest in filling Mikal's position on the board. Jade Stanley and Craig Perri have been sent the application documents and were invited to the meeting.

Hope Carbonaro mentioned that Darren Holt might be interested. Hope will contact Darren to see if he would be interested.

New Business:

Christi Sullivan reminded board members that the 2015 Ethics training requirement is now due to the Executive Office of the Inspector General. Acknowledgement pages should be sent to Christi as soon as possible.

Karen Major called for a motion to close the meeting to discuss cases. Judi Bradley moved to close the meeting to discuss cases. Tiffany Jones seconded the motion. Vote: unanimous. Motion carries. Meeting is closed to review cases at 10:35 a.m.

Closed Session:

ELRT Report:

Christi Sullivan provided an overview of cases brought to ELRT. There were two (2) Emergency Licensure Review Team (ELRT) teleconferences. Seven (7) cases were discussed. Six (6) were opened for investigation, and one (1) closed.

Six (6) cases were brought to the CWEL Board. Six (6) cases were brought to the board for consideration of suspension. Six (6) licenses were suspended pending the OIG investigation and AHU process.

One case was discussed because the licensee has taken court action through the Circuit Clerk's Office disputing the revocation of the license. Janet Ahern provided a brief overview of the case. Beth Solomon and Barbara Greenspan were notified by the Office of the Inspector General.

Judi Bradley moved to end the closed session and open the meeting. Mary Ochman-Ahmed seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carries.

Closed session adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Open Session:

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 8, 2015 in Joliet. Christi Sullivan will invite any board member candidates to the meeting.

Tiffany Jones notified board members that she would not be able to attend the June and December meetings.

Adjournment:

Mary Ochman-Ahmed moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeanne Flynn seconded the motion. Vote: Unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.