

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**COLORADO STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS**

**January 29, 2010**

Notice of this meeting was published at [www.dora.state.co.us/mental-health](http://www.dora.state.co.us/mental-health), at least 7 days in advance of the meeting date.

**I. CONVENE**

The Colorado State Board of Social Work Examiners Meeting was convened in the Civic Center Plaza, 1560 Broadway, First Floor Suite 110D, Denver, Colorado 80202, at 9:04 a.m., by Heather Piernik, Professional Member, Chair

**Present, in addition to Ms. Piernik, were Board members:**

Cindy Musil, Public Member, Vice Chair

Yoko Felter, Professional Member

John Black, Public Member

Kimberly Allegretti, Public Member

Mary A. Mehes, LCSW, LAC, Professional Member, was not in attendance

**Staff present were:**

Melissa Garner, Acting Program Director

Chara Harris, Administrative Assistant III

Rita Quinn, Assistant Attorney General

Kevin Huff, Office of Investigation

Kelly Heltzel, Office of Investigation

Saul Larsen, Office of Policy and Research

Bryan Jameson, Office of Policy and Research

**II. OPEN FORUM**

Presentation by Saul Larsen with the Office of Policy and Research regarding Sunset Review.

Presentation by Ron Langer with the National Association of Social Workers (NASW).

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from the November 20, 2009, meeting were approved.

**IV. REPORTS:**

Acting Program Director-Melissa Garner:

- Welcomed and thanked, new Board member Kimberly Allegretti for her appointment to the Board.
- Reminded the Board that the agenda packets must be kept confidential due to the information provided in the packets.

**V. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

All agenda additions have been incorporated into these meeting minutes.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS:**

**AGENDA ITEM #1                      RL    Pending Applicant**

- The Board reviewed an application request by RL.
- The Board allowed the request.

**AGENDA ITEM #15                      CA    Pending Applicant**

- The Board reviewed an application request by CA.
- The Board denied the request.





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### IX. MOTION TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was a motion that the Board enter into executive session at 11:41a.m. for the purpose of discussing with counsel disputes that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, discussing specific claims or grievances, and/or receiving legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402(3)(a)(II) including:

- The legal basis for potential disciplinary action and, where warranted, recommended settlement guidance for matters discussed in open session today and referred for discipline and discussion in executive session, agenda item numbers: #4, #5, and #14.
- Settlement, counteroffers and other legal questions pertaining to **open** cases referred to the Expedited Settlement Program: none
- Counteroffers, settlement issues and other legal questions pertaining to **open** case referred to the Attorney General's Office: case numbers 2008-003851, 2006-006002391, 2010-001089 and 2009-001169

and 24-6-402(3)(a)(III).

The topic and particular federal law or rule or state statute requiring this discussion to be kept confidential are as follows:

- Mental health records for executive session agenda item number 1 which, is confidential pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes 13-90-107(1)(g) and 24-72-204(3)(a)(I). For this type of discussion, we are not identifying the licensee by name in public session with regard to the mental health treatment information.

### X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- The Board discussed agenda items #4, #5 and #14 from the Open Session Agenda, and case numbers 2008-003851, 2006-006002391, 2010-001089 and 2009-001169 during executive session from the Attorney General Report.

By unanimous agreement, the Board moved to go out of Executive Session at 1:20 pm.

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**XI. ADJOURN**

The Board formally adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:12 pm. The Board will reconvene on Friday, March 12, 2010, at the Civic Center Plaza, 1560 Broadway, Suite #110A, Denver, CO 80202, at approximately 9:00am.

As Board Chair/Vice Chair, I attest that these minutes of the open public meeting of the Colorado Board of Social Work Examiners substantially reflect the substance of the discussions and actions taken related to matters under the authority of the Board, pursuant to §12-43-203, C.R.S, and in compliance with §24-6-402, C.R.S.



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Board Chair

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Vice Chair