**899 North Capitol St. NE – 2nd**Floor**.**

**Washington, dc 20002**

**October 28, 2013**

**9.30am -2.00pm**

Meeting Minutes

**BOSW Mission Statement:**

“To provide oversight to licensed professionals and ensure the health and safety of citizens and visitors in the District of Columbia through the provision of health care services.”

BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

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| BOARD MEMBERS: |  |  |
|  | cathleen gray, phd, licsw chair | Present |
|  | Velva spriggs, lisw, VICE CHAIR | Present |
|  | anne selee, lgsw | Present |
|  | faith bonner, lswa | Absent |
|  | michelle rose, consumer member | Present |
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| STAFF: | Robin Jenkins–Executive Director |  |
|  | Mavis Azariah Armattoe – health licensing specialist |  |
|  | Deb Moss – Investigator |  |
|  | Timothy Handy – supervisory investigator |  |
|  | Diane Moorer – IT Support |  |
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| LEGAL STAFF: | Carla Williams, esq. – assistant Attorney General |  |
| VISITORS | Margo Aronson, LICSW- Greater Washington Society for Clinical Social Work, GWSCSW |  |
|  | Mr. Ernest Elliot, MSW – Intern at Black Administrators for Child Welfare, BACW |  |

There was quorum at the meeting.

The Agenda begins on the next page.

OPEN SESSION: Call to Order: 9.24am

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|  | **Senior Deputy Director’s Report**  None |  |
|  | **Executive Director’s Report:**  Ms. Robin Jenkins reported she will be at the ASWB Annual Meeting in Nashville Tennessee from November 7-9, 2013. She also introduced Ms. Fatima Abby to the Board as the specialist who will be filling in for Ms. Azariah Armattoe whiles on maternity leave. |  |
|  | **Chairperson’s Report:**  Dr. Cathleen Gray reported she will be not be present the November meeting and also confirmed that the December meeting will be cancelled. |  |
| 1028-01 | **MINUTES**  Consideration of the Open Session Minutes of September 23, 2013 meeting.  Board Action: Ms. Anne Selee motioned for the open session minutes to be approved. Motion passed. |  |
| 1028-02 | **Human Service Worker Draft Bill.**  **Background:** The SW Board is proposing that Human Service Workers be registered in the District of Columbia. At the April 2013 Board meeting representatives from DMH, APRA, DDS amongst other DC agencies met with the Board to discuss the proposed bill. The Board requested the agencies to send in marked up versions of the bill with their comments for consideration. The Comments received from the agencies varied but most were focused on the education component and supervision. A subcommittee comprised of the Executive Director, attorney and 2 Board members will review the comments to make recommendations to the Board.  **Board Action:** Tabled to next months meeting since the subcommittee had not had the chance to meet to review the comments received. |  |
| 1028-03 | **Discussion on Clinical Case Management**  **Background:** The DC Social Work regulations do not specifically identify what tasks qualify the social worker to obtain the LICSW. The critical language of the regulations is “diagnosis” and “treatment”. Many states do not count case management as valid for the advanced clinical licensure. The District is therefore looking at ways to clarify the law and rules. A working committee was set up to look at what aspects of case management may qualify as clinical work. The Attorney presented the draft a policy or guidance statement on the proposed requirements for clinical experience for the Board to review.  **Board Action:** The Board will research the neighboring jurisdictions for their requirements on clinical experience and discuss further the draft policy to amend if necessary. Tabled to the next Board meeting. |  |
|  | **Comments from the Public**  Ms. Margot Aronson, LICSW commented that the policy statement presented was clear and concise and hoped the public would perceive it as presented. Mr. Ernest Elliott, MSW requested for the meeting start time to be updated on the website to 9.30am. |  |

**This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting, and pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b), and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting.**

The Open Session Board meeting ended at \_\_10.11 am\_. The Next Board meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2013 at 9.30am.