

**899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2<sup>ND</sup>FLOOR.  
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**January 28, 2019**

**10:00am -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."

OPEN SESSION ATTENDANCE: January 2019

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	VELVA SPRIGGS, LISW, CHAIRPERSON	Present
	SELERYA MOORE, CONSUMER MEMBER	present
	DANIELLE NELSON, LSGW, BOARD MEMBER	Present
STAFF:		
	MAVIS AZARIAH— HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	Present
	DEB MOSS – INVESTIGATOR	Present
	GREGORY SCURLOCK – COMPLIANCE OFFICER	Present
	DERECK BROOKS-SUPERVISORY INVESTIGATOR	Present
	PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT, ESQ.- ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	Present
	AISHA NIXON, SENIOR HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	Present
VISITORS:	MARGOT ARONSON, LICSW, GWSCSW MICHAEL FRANCUM, NASW DONNA GERACI, LICSW M. BOWDEN, LGSW TERESA ARENE, LICSW TAMARA PINIUS, LICSW CHERYL AGUILAR, LICSW YASMINE KAIDBEY, LGSW MARYANNE TRUMBONE, LICSW BRENDA ORTIZ, LGSW SARAH SORVALIS, MSW STUDENT CAMILLA PEARSON, LGSW ANTHONY HAIN, MSW STUDENT DENISE JONES, LICSW	

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	<b><u>Acceptance of the Agenda:</u></b> The Board accepted the presented Agenda	
	<b><u>Executive Director's Report:</u></b> It was reported that Ms. Robin Jenkins was no longer working with the Department of Health. The Social Work renewals is coming up and more information will be disseminated about the renewals. The Mayor's office of Talents and Appointments is still working on filing the vacancies on the Board.	
	<b><u>Chairperson's Report: None</u></b>	VS
	<b><u>Board's Attorney's Report:</u></b> Board attorney reported that the oversight hearing for the committee of health will be health on February 8 <sup>th</sup> . There hasn't been any request for Board chair testimony as of yet but the department of health will be reporting on the Boards achievement for the fiscal year.	
0128-01	<b><u>MINUTES</u></b> The Board approved the minutes with corrections.	
0128-02	<b><u>DC LICSW concerns with LGSW practice in private practice setting</u></b> A number of social workers have requested to meet with the Board to address their concerns about the need to allow LGSWs to practice in private practice settings. Ms. Donna Geraci, Tony Hain, Cheryl Aguilar, Camilla Pearson, and Maryanne Trumbone made their concerns to the Board of the impact of LGSWs not practicing in Private practice in the community. These concerns ranged from lack of services to school children, asylum families, fear of LGSWs not having a good clinical experience towards their clinical licensure amongst others. They also submitted a petition signed by 167 social workers in the District to the Board regarding the matter.	
0128-03	<b><u>Discussion of Policy on LGSW's practice in Private Practice setting:</u></b> The Board discussed the draft policy guidance on LGSWs practicing in the District and advised that more research will be made on the matter and reported at the next Board meeting.	
Addendum	<b><u>Update from Greater Washington Society for Clinical Social Work, GWSCSW</u></b> Ms. Margot Aronson enquired of the status of the vacancies on the Board and also reported that the committee of health chaired by Mr. Vincent Gray had a meeting that talked about the need of	



	health care services in Wards 7 & 8, also the Committee on Education held a program on trauma informed approach in DC schools. The program provided a trauma fact sheet that had good information on how to define trauma which should be of interest to Social Workers.	
	<b><u>Adjournment Motion</u></b> Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575B and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.	

The next meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2019.