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STATE OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL  
AND FINANCIAL REGULATION  
**Board of Social Worker Licensure**  
35 STATE HOUSE STATION  
AUGUSTA, MAINE  
04333-0035

Anne L. Head  
Commissioner

**Minutes**  
**Maine Board of Social Worker Licensure**  
**September 9, 2022 Board Meeting**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Linda Butler, Board Chair  
Angela Fileccia  
Lee-Andra D'Attilio  
Benjamin Strick  
Karen Lemoine  
Christopher Leighton

**STAFF PRESENT**

Hearing Officer, Rebekah Smith  
Betsy Stivers, Assistant Attorney General  
Samantha Morgan, Assistant Attorney General  
Kristina Halvorsen, Board Administrator  
George Morgan, Board Investigator  
Cecile Sirois, Professional Licensing Supervisor

**CALL TO ORDER**

Linda Butler called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

**MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

Review and approval of the minutes of June 10, 2022.

In a motion by Angela Fileccia and seconded by Lee D'Attilio the Board voted to approve the minutes as written.

**Vote: 3 in favor (3 abstained – Karen Lemoine, Christopher Leighton, Benjamin Strick)**

**RULEMAKING**

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Lee D'Attilio to accept the proposed Chapters 10-18 as amended today, to accept the basis statement, and accept the economic impact statement.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

OFFICES LOCATED AT: 76 NORTHERN AVENUE, GARDINER, MAINE

**ADJUDICATORY HEARING**

2021-SOC-17502 Pfaffinger

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Angela Fileccia to accept the consent agreement in lieu of holding a hearing.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

**COMPLAINT PRESENTATIONS**

2021-SOC-17940

A motion was made by Lee D'Attilio and seconded by Benjamin Strick to table and request additional information.

**Vote: 5 in favor (1 recused – Linda Butler)**

2021-SOC-17973

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Lee D'Attilio to dismiss with a letter of guidance reminding to submit a response and documentation when requested by the Board. The letter of guidance will stay in the file for 10 years.

**Vote: 5 in favor (1 recused – Angela Fileccia)**

2022-SOC-18060

A motion was made by Lee D'Attilio and seconded by Linda Butler to preliminarily deny the license renewal citing Code of Ethics 1.09C, 1.06C, and Chapter 16(3)(4)(B).

**Vote: 6 in favor**

**COMPLAINT ITEMS**

2011-SOC-7287 Reports

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Lee D'Attilio to accept the reports as written.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

2020-SOC-16813 Reports

A motion was made by Lee D'Attilio and seconded by Angela Fileccia to accept the reports as written.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

#### 2021-SOC-17568 Course Approval

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Lee D'Attilio to accept the continuing education as meeting the requirements of the consent agreement.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

#### 2021-SOC-17568 Reports

A motion was made by Angela Fileccia and seconded by Linda Butler to approve the reports as written.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

#### 2022-SOC-18121 CA

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Christopher Leighton to accept the consent agreement which states that the license will be voluntarily surrendered, and that the licensee will never re-apply for licensure.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

#### 2021-SOC-17695

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Benjamin Strick to dismiss the complaint due to the license having been surrendered.

**Vote: 6 in favor**

#### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Kristina Halvorsen, Board Administrator provided the board with the number of licensees. A social work compact is in its first draft and a rough draft will be ready for review before legislation starts.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Christopher McLaughlin informed the board that NASW is following the social work compact and will continue to be involved in the process. Christopher stated that ASWB released pass/fail results with-in diversity and stated that there may be a request for change.

#### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Linda Butler and seconded by Christopher Leighton to adjourn the meeting at 1:29 p.m.