

MARYLAND Department of Health

MARYLAND BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

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OPEN SESSION November 8, 2024 10:30AM IN PERSON 4201 Patterson Ave, Room 110 Baltimore, MD 21215

CALL TO ORDER

Leslie Iampieri, Secretary/Treasurer

ADJUSTMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA?

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 11, 2024

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

- Welcome
- ASWB Delegate Assembly November 8-9, 2024
 Susan, Adrienne, and staff member Marianne Graham attending

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- Renewals!
 - \circ $\;$ Thank you to all of the staff for their hard work $\;$
- Hiring Updates
 - Health Investigator III starting November 13
 - Interviews completed for two new Health Investigator III positions and two candidates have been identified
 - With new hires, the Compliance Unit will have four full-time investigators
 - Recruiting for Administrative support for Continuing Education unit
- Licensure Policy Workgroup
 - Purpose: Purpose- The Workgroup on Social Work Licensure Requirements was established by SB 871 (Chapter 228) in response to disparities across race, age, and language in the passage rate for the Social Work Licensure Exam. The workgroup will examine current social worker licensure requirements and identify potential alternatives to the current examination and licensure process. The workgroup will make recommendations on how to implement potential alternatives to reduce barriers and bias for future social work examinees.
 - Last meeting October 30[,] 2024
 - presentation by the Board and CMAG & Associates on Alternative

Karen Richards, Executive Director

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Pathways

- Links to PowerPoint in Open Session folder for Board members
- Printed copies of presentations available for members of public
- Upcoming meetings November 13 & 20, December 18
- Final Report due December 1, 2024

COMMITTEE REPORTS

• Statutes and Regulations Committee Member

Kevin Meenan, Committee

• Continuing Education Committee Member

Kori Olszewski, Committee

QUESTIONS or COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT