

**BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK, MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY  
AND MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING**

**LAWS AND RULES COMMITTEE MEETING**

**TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL**

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**Pass Code: 5805370981**

**July 23, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Buller, Vice-Chair at 2:00 p.m. Those present for all or part of the meeting included the following:

Committee members

Jamie Buller, LCSW

Bill Day, Ph.D., LMHC

Mary Macomber, Esq., Consumer Member

Staff present:

Robin McKenzie, Program Administrator

Dee Ramer, Regulatory Supervisor

Deborah Loucks, Esq., Board Counsel

Court reporter – For the Record, 850-222-5491

Others present:

Richard Kaplan, Esq., Ace-Classes.com

Leesa Robertson, Bayside Continuing Education

**TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION**

Rule 64B4-3.0035, F.A.C., Required 8 Hour Laws/Rules Course

Draft of Rule 64B4-3.0035, F.A.C., provided by Deborah Loucks, Board Counsel

E-mail from Richard Kaplan, Esq., Ace-Classes.com

The committee reviewed the draft language of the rule provided by Deborah Loucks, Board Counsel. After discussion by the committee members, board counsel and information provided by Richard Kaplan and Leesa Robertson, the committee recommended that the rule for the 8 hour laws and rules course should include the following:

(2) The laws and rules course must provide integration of the above subject areas into the competencies required for clinical practice and must include a minimum of a 2 hour block of time or 2 one-hour blocks of time of live, interactive discussion of clinical case examples applying the laws and rules that govern the appropriate clinical practice. During the two hours of live interaction, there must be a Florida licensed attorney present and available to address questions from the participants.

(6) Laws and rules courses may be offered and conducted on-line but must comply with all aspects of this rule in their entirety. Such courses must include real time (contemporaneous) live, interactive discussions as required by subsection (2) of this rule. On-line course providers must have the ability to verify that each participant continued to participate in the course throughout the duration of the course and shall upon request provide the board with documentation of such verification. The documentation for each participant required in this paragraph shall be maintained by the provider for three (3) years following each licensure biennium during which the course was offered.

Add the following paragraph:

Upon completion of the course, there shall be a post-test with a passing score of 80% or more. If the participant does not pass the test, they must re-take the 8 hour laws and rules course and test until a passing score is achieved.

Deborah Loucks will provide updated draft language at the next board meeting for full board review.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.