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#### **Board Membership (as of the Date This Report was Approved)**

**Date of Final Board Approval:** 6/14/2024

Ann Applebee, Licensed Clinical Social Worker (Board Chair) Anne Wells, Licensed Clinical Social Worker Amber Taylor, Licensed Clinical Social Worker Stacey Stone, Public Member

#### Accomplishments

Ann Applebee was asked to speak to a group of professionals at Ft. Wainwright regarding the licensure process. Amber Taylor presented on the licensure process at the NASW Conference.  The Social Work Board has seen an increase in participation in licensure, while maintaining public confidence and safety.  Twenty-nine investigations were closed during FY24.  The Social Work Board opened a regulations project that includes adding requirements for licensure supervision, requirements for the way CEU's are obtained, and updating the NASW Code Of Ethics publication date in Statutes and Regulations.

#### **Activities**

#### Needs

As a result of Sharon Woodward's retirement and resignation from the board there is a need for a BSW board member. Anne Wells is scheduled for ASWB New Board Member training in D.C. on October 3-5 <sup>th</sup> and the ASWB Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly in San Diego in November. These trainings provide growth and education to the Board, enhancing their ability to continue to make positive change in Alaska.	