

MINUTES

Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors
November 7-9, 2012

Board Members Present:

Dr. Lela Weems, Chair
Dr. Glenn Waller
Dr. Kenisha Gordon
Dr. Walter Frazier

Legal Counsel Present:

Margarette Meeks, Attorney General's Office

Others Present:

Ann Cox, Executive Director
Joyce Frazier
Steven Stafford

Board Members Absent:

None

Call to Order

The quarterly meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors ("Board"), held in Room D-12 of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Conference Center at 2350 Beach Boulevard in Biloxi, Mississippi, was called to order at approximately 8:15 a.m. by Dr. Lela Weems, Chair ("Chair"). All Board members were present.

Motion made to approve the minutes with corrections from the August 24, 2012 meeting and passed unanimously.

Motion made by G. Waller to update the website homepage to include news items regularly. Seconded by K. Gordon. Passed unanimously.

Executive Session

Upon motion by W. Frazier, the Board unanimously voted to go into a closed determination session to establish the need for an Executive Session.

In the determination session, a motion was made by W. Frazier and seconded by G. Waller that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing performance of individuals for specific positions. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board reopened the meeting to the public and announced the aforesaid reason for entering into Executive Session.

Motion made by W. Frazier to go into recess of executive session. Seconded by G. Waller. Passed Unanimously.

Meeting resumed at 9:00 a.m. on November 8, 2012. Returned from recess at 2:15 p.m. Recessed at 6:15 p.m.

Motion made by W. Frazier and seconded by K. Gordon to return from recess at 8:15 a.m. on November 9, 2012 and move meeting to another location to review files

Executive Session

In the determination session, W. Frazier moved, seconded by G. Waller, that the Board had reason to go into Executive Session, namely: to **discuss and approve applications for licensure said documents are exempt from public access because they are considered confidential and the discussion about them could lead to prospective litigation and to conduct investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law in Complaints**

Upon unanimous vote, the board reopened the meeting to the public and announced the aforesaid reasons as the Board's purpose for entering into Executive Session.

Upon conclusion of the business in executive session, a motion was made by W. Frazier and seconded by K. Gordon for the Board to come out of executive session. The motion passed by the Board members. The Board resumed in open session by announcing the above described action and votes taken in Executive Session.

The following was recorded as action taken during executive session:

Applications

The motion was made by G. Waller and seconded by W. Frazier to **approve these 7 applicants for licensure**. The motion passed unanimously. These individuals were:

Aldridge, Mary Helen
Blakely, Kendra
Jordan, Takarla
McClay, Letoya
Tharp, Mary Morgan
Williams, Carisha
Woodard, Theresa Ann

The motion was made by G. Waller and seconded by W. Frazier to **approve 5 new applications for candidacy**. The motion passed. These individuals were:

Arnoult, Holly Thomas

Baxter, Gregory
Coleman, Brenda
Michael, Latarsha
Waterman, Kesha Davis

A motion was made by G. Waller and seconded by W. Frazier to approve **these 5 applications for Board Qualified Supervisor**. The motion passed unanimously. These individuals were:

Beals, George
McCormick, Juanice
Rainey, Paula
Smothers, Christine
Switzer, Luellyn

A motion was made by G. Waller and seconded by W. Frazier to **hold pending these 17 application for licensure**. The motion passed unanimously. These individual were:

Beene, Amy
Beuning, Amanda
Brown, Linda
Bullock, Tenecia
Carter, Jaqueline
Coggins, Linda
Cole. Lakesha
Frankart, Lillian
Hanna, Ellen
Miller, Sara
Ricedorf, Amy Elizabeth
Rishel, Theodore John
Steen-Brown, Adrienne
Thornton, Kenisha
White, Carrie Palmertree
Whitten, Kristen Rose
Woods-Blackmon, Heather

A motion was made by G. Waller and seconded by W. Frazier to **hold pending these 10 applications for candidacy**. The motion passed unanimously. These individuals were:

Anderson, Erika
Austin, Kimberly
Gerald, Michael
Jenkins, Glynda
Lay, Toniya
Leary, Genevieve

McGowan Maureen
Shumaker, Michael Garrett
Williams, Portia
Wright, Tuchella

A motion was made by G. Waller and seconded by W. Frazier to **hold pending this 1 application for Board Qualified Supervisor**. The motion passed unanimously. This individual was:

Williams, Melissa

Motion by G. Waller and seconded by W. Frazier to refer Complaint # 082012 to Board of Psychology since Board does not have jurisdiction over complaint which is not an active LPC.

Upon the conclusion of the business for executive session, a motion was made by W. Frazier seconded by G. Waller, that the Board come out of Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

Having exited Executive Session, the Board resumed in open meeting by announcing the above described action and votes taken in Executive Session.

L. Weems, Board Chair, assigned G. Waller as Sub-Committee to explore a "Conflict of Interest" policy for the Board.

Motion by G. Waller, and seconded by W. Frazier to approve the following dates for 2013 Board Meetings:

January 25, 2013
April 26, 2013
August 9, 2013
November 5, 2013

Motion by W. Frazier for the Board to refrain from submitting statutory changes for the year 2013. Seconded by G. Waller. Passed unanimously.

Next Meeting:

The next regular quarterly meeting of the LPC Board is to be January 25, 2013, at Board Office in Yazoo City, MS at 9:30 a.m.

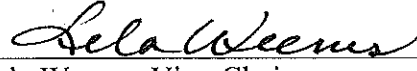
Adjourn:

All of the Board business was finished and a motion made by G. Waller and seconded by K. Gordon to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 9, 2012.

Approved this the 26th day of January, 2013.



Glenn Waller, Chair



Lela Weems, Vice-Chair

Kenisha Gordon, Board Member



Walter Frazier, Board Member