

MINUTES

Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors
Special Called Board Meeting
Suite 402; Robert E Lee Building
239 North Lamar Street; Jackson, Mississippi
January 24, 2014

Board Members Present:

Dr. Glenn Waller Chair
Dr. Walter Frazier, Vice-Chair
April Krieger, Secretary
Dr. Juawice McCormick
Dr. Susan Carmichael

Others Present:

LeeAnn Mordecai, Executive Director
Margarette Meeks, Attorney General's office

I. Call to Order

The Special Called Board Meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors ("Board"), held in Suite 402 of the Robert E. Lee Building located at 239 North Lamar Street in Jackson, Mississippi, was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Dr. Glenn Waller, Chair ("Chair"). The purpose of the special called meeting was to review of licensure applications, complaints and Board operations. A roll call of members was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Executive Session

Upon motion by McCormick, seconded by Frazier, and unanimously passed, the meeting was closed for a determination of the necessity for an executive session. While in closed session, a motion was made by Frazier, seconded by McCormick, and unanimously passed to go into executive session for the purpose of reviewing licensure applications and to discuss matters pertaining to potential litigation.

Upon conclusion of the business of the executive session, motion by Carmichael, seconded by McCormick, and unanimously passed, the Board returned to open session at 2:36 p.m.

Upon return to open session, the following was announced as action taken while in executive session.

A. Complaints, Disciplinary Matters, Cases, Hearings

1. 032012 – Upon motion by Waller, seconded by McCormick and passed, the Board agreed to take no action on complaint #032012. Frazier recused himself from the discussion and vote.
2. 2013-04 – Upon motion by Carmichael, seconded by McCormick and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take no action on complaint #2013-04.
3. 2013-03 – Upon motion by McCormick, seconded by Carmichael and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to take no action on complaint #2013-03.

B. Application Review

Upon motion by McCormick, seconded by Frazier and unanimously passed, the Board reported out the following.

HP Apps for Licensure	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION
Young, Chaserie Coleman	Denied	
Rauch, Matthew David	Approved	
Tinniswood, Jonathan C.	Approved	
Hunter, Roane T.	Denied	W Frazier
Roberts, Monica	Approved	W Frazier
Reichert, Rachel Lynn	Approved	W Frazier
Eaton, William Stewart	Approved	
Hold Pending Candidacy	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION
Kirk, Rebecca Annette South	Denied	
Bouillion, Barry James	Hold Pending	
Newsome, Carolyn Faye	Hold Pending	
BQS	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION
Cole, Jessica Latham	Approved	
Wilson, Dwyla L.	Approved	
Lee, Tony Terrell	Approved	

New Apps for Licensure	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION
Ellison, Dawn M.	Approved	
McCord, Maury Bruton	Approved	
Smith, Linda Walton	Approved	
Hayes, Lara J.	Approved	
Hilton, Katherine L.	Approved	
Kern, Kristen	Approved	
Cerula, Stephanie	Hold Pending	
Tipton, Cheryl	Approved	
Bruce, Tina Yolanda	Approved	

New Apps for Candidacy	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION
Jackson, Ruby J.	Denied	
Hight, Jared N.	Approved	
Boyd, Laurel Bonita	Denied	
Simon-Allen, Joaquin	Denied	
Sims, Karen	Denied	S. Carmichael
Hagwood, Mark T.	Hold Pending	
Sahler, Katie Marie	Approved	
Thomas, Lisa B.	Denied	

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Licensed Since 11/6/13	Issue Date	Lic Number
Francis R. Clark	12/10/2013	1837
Shannon L. Hill	12/10/2013	1838
Christopher John Shaw	12/10/2013	1839
Keesha Davis Waterman	12/10/2013	1840
Shawna W. Pankonin	12/10/2013	1841
Emily Elizabeth Jernigan	12/12/2013	1842
Erica Ashley Brumfield	1/14/2014	1843
Courtney Hintz	1/14/2014	1844
David W. Reekie	1/14/2014	1845

III. Executive Session

Upon motion by McCormick, seconded by Carmichael, and unanimously passed, the meeting was closed for a determination of the necessity for an executive session. While in closed session, a motion was made by Krieger, seconded by Frazier, and unanimously passed to go into executive session at 2:45 p.m. for the purpose of discussing job performance of a particular person in a particular position.

Upon conclusion of the business of the executive session, motion by Carmichael, seconded by Frazier, and unanimously passed, the Board returned to open session at 3:00 p.m.

Upon return to open session, the following was announced as action taken while in executive session. The Executive Director will be allowed to take time off without affecting LPC Budget and address contingency plan for office coverage when out of the office.

IV. Board Operations

A. Minutes

Upon motion by Krieger, seconded by McCormick, and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to table the approval of minutes.

B. Committee to Plan 2014 MCA

The Chair appointed Carmichael and McCormick to a Committee to Plan the 2014 MS Counseling Association presentation by the Board to include BQS and supervisor responsibilities.

C. Payment of Travel Vouchers

Upon motion by McCormick, seconded by Carmichael, and unanimously passed, the Board approved payment of travel voucher for McCormick in the amount of \$133.28 & \$413.11, Krieger in the amount of \$177.41 & \$175.84, Frazier in the amount of \$53.11 & \$157.92, Carmichael in the amount of \$208.32 & \$113.09 Meeks in the amount of \$103.04, and Waller in the amount of \$184.19 & \$196.00, and to authorize Chair to sign vouchers in total amount of \$1915.31.

F. Attorney Updates

Meeks announced she will no longer be the Board's attorney and a new attorney will be appointed by the Attorney General's Office. Meeks recommended the Board utilize the Office of Litigation – Civil Litigation to handle complaint cases.

V. Executive Session

Upon motion by Frazier, seconded by Carmichael, and unanimously passed, the meeting was closed for a determination of the necessity for an executive session. While in closed session, a motion was made by Frazier, seconded by Carmichael, and unanimously passed to go into executive session at 3:46 p.m. for the purpose of discussing contract for services of Executive Director.

Upon conclusion of the business of the executive session, motion by Frazier, seconded by Carmichael, and unanimously passed, the Board returned to open session at 4:15 p.m.

Upon return to open session, the following was announced as action taken while in executive session.

Upon motion by McCormick, seconded by Carmichael, and unanimously carried, the Board agreed to take no action at this time.

VI. New Business

A. Licensure Level

Krieger presented information to consider revising licensure levels with the addition of a LPC/PHD class of licensure. The Board will take under advisement.

B. 2014 Legislative Session Update

Psychologist's have a House Bill before the MS Legislature to disallow LPC's from testing.

HB635 has been introduced to combine the LPC Board with the Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists Board.

VII. Next Meeting

March 27, 2014 – Special Called Meeting – 9:00 a.m. - 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402, Jackson, Mississippi

March 28, 2014 – Regular Board Meeting – 9:00 a.m. - Show Cause Hearing – Room 138 North, Woolfolk Building, Jackson, Mississippi

March 28, 2014 – Regular Board Meeting – immediately following hearing – 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402, Jackson, Mississippi

VIII. Adjournment

Upon motion by Krieger, seconded by Carmichael, and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

Approved this the 23rd day of April, 2014.

_____/s/_____

Glenn Waller, Chair

_____/s/_____

Board Member