

**Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors**  
Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

Robert E. Lee Building, 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402  
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Friday, January 20, 2023  
Minutes

**I. Call to Order**

The Regular Board meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors (“Board”) was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Dr. Richard Strebeck, Chair (“Chair”) on Friday January 20, 2023. The Board meeting was held at Robert E. Lee Building, 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402 Jackson, MS 39201. A roll call of Board members was taken, and a quorum was present.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Richard Strebeck, Chair, Congressional District-at-Large  
Dr. Kimberly Elam Sallis, Vice-Chair Congressional District I  
Dr. Lynn Etheridge, Congressional District II  
Dr. Melissa Windham, Congressional District III  
Mr. Issac Boose, Congressional District IV

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Ms. LeeAnn Mordecai, Executive Director, LPC Board  
Ms. Jessica Robinson, Special Assistant Attorney General  
Lorri Savell (arrived at 9:05 a.m. and exited at 9:19 a.m.)

**II. Motion for Continuance**

The Board considered a Motion for Continuance for Administrative Hearing (2022-28). Dr. Sallis motioned to approve the continuance motion, seconded by Dr. Etheridge. The motion carried 5-0. The hearing was rescheduled for March 10, 2023.

**III. Lorri Savell**

In accordance with the Board’s Rules and Regulations, Ms. Savell addressed the Board regarding her application for licensure.

**IV. Board Operations**

**A. Officer Elections**

In compliance with Rule 3.1.C.4, the Board held officer elections as follows:

- a. Dr. Sallis was nominated by Dr. Windham, seconded by Dr. Strebeck, for chair. No other Board members were nominated. Dr. Sallis was elected Chair by a vote of 4-0-1.
- b. Dr. Windham was nominated by Dr. Etheridge, seconded by Mr. Boose, for Vice-Chair. No other Board members were nominated. Dr. Windham was elected Vice-Chair by a vote of 4-0-1.

- c. Dr. Strebeck was nominated by Dr. Etheridge, seconded by Dr. Sallis, for Secretary. No other Board members were nominated. Dr. Strebeck was elected Secretary by a vote of 4-0-1.

## B. Minutes

- a. October 4, 2022 - After reviewing the October 4, 2022 minutes, Dr. Etheridge motioned, Dr. Sallis seconded, to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- b. October 31, 2022 - After reviewing the October 31, 2022 minutes, Dr. Etheridge motioned, Dr. Sallis seconded, to approve the minutes as amended. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- c. November 10, 2022 - After reviewing the November 10, 2022 minutes, Dr. Etheridge motioned, Dr. Sallis seconded, to approve the minutes as amended. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

## V. Financial Matters

- A. Financial Report - The Board reviewed financial statement for November and December 2022.
- B. FY 2024 Budget - FY 2024, July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, recommended budget from the Legislative Budget Office is at level funding plus \$800+ for anticipated payroll expenses.
- C. Board Travel - Dr. Etheridge motioned, seconded by Mr. Boose, to approve travel expenses not covered by the Counseling Compact for Ms. Mordecai to attend the Counseling Compact Commission Meeting October 25-26, 2022, in Washington D.C. The motioned carried with the vote of 5-0.

## VI. Old Business

- A. AASCB Conference - Dr. Windham motioned, seconded by Dr. Etheridge, that the Board pay for Ms. Mordecai's registration and travel expenses and the registration fees for two Board members to attend the American Association of State Counseling Boards in New Orleans, Louisiana, on February 7-9. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- B. Pass/Fail Jurisprudence Exam - Ms. Mordecai updated the Board on the implementation of the Pass/Fail Jurisprudence Exam.
- C. Strategic Plan - The Board reviewed the Strategic Plan.
  - a. The Board will update the No Fail Jurisprudence exam required for license renewals.
  - b. Dr. Etheridge motioned, seconded by Mr. Boose, to authorize spending up to \$15,000 to redesign the Board's website. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

## CLOSED DETERMINATION/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Dr. Etheridge with a second by Mr. Boose, the Board voted to go into a closed determination session to establish the need for an Executive Session. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

In the determination session, Dr. Etheridge motioned, with a second by Dr. Sallis, that the Board had reason to go into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing applications governing the practice of professional counselors, complaints, and Board requests, which deliberation and consideration could lead to litigation, and/or an appeal of a Board order. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

The Board announced this decision to the public for the aforesaid reason(s).  
The Board entered Executive Session at 10:47 a.m.

## **VII. Executive Session**

### **A. Complaints**

1. 2021-3 – Dr. Etheridge recommended to take no action. Dr. Sallis motioned, seconded by Mr. Boose, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
2. 2022-16 – Dr. Etheridge recommended to take no action. Mr. Boose motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
3. 2022-37 – Dr. Etheridge recommended to take no action. Mr. Boose motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
4. 2022-37 – Dr. Etheridge recommended to take no action. Mr. Boose motioned, seconded by Dr. Windham, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
5. 2022-19 – Dr. Etheridge recommended to take no action. Mr. Boose motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
6. 2022-34 – Dr. Etheridge recommended that the Board move forward with an Administrative Hearing regarding this complaint. Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Mr. Boose, to schedule an Administrative Hearing on March 10, 2023. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
7. 2022-03 – Mr. Boose recommended to take no action. Dr. Etheridge motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
8. 2022-35 – Mr. Boose recommended to take no action. Dr. Etheridge motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
9. 2022-17 – Dr. Windham recommended to take no action. Dr. Sallis motioned, seconded by Mr. Boose, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
10. 2022-05 – Dr. Strebeck recommended to take no action. Dr. Etheridge motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.
11. 2022-10 – Dr. Strebeck recommended to take no action. Dr. Etheridge motioned, seconded by Mr. Boose, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1.



**ADDENDUM A**

<b>MS BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS</b>				
<b>APPLICATION REVIEW - EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>				
<b>January 20, 2023</b>				
<b>P-LPC Apps</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Abbott, Victoria Gaylene	P-LPC		5	0
Bowen, Deborra Cassandra	CONTINGENT		5	0
Gray, Latrina D.	CONTINGENT		5	0
Harvey, Jeffery T.	P-LPC		5	0
Jones, Caleb Martin	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
McPherson-Richardson, Cynthia Jacquelyn	CONTINGENT	Strebeck	4	0
Sellers, Brian Goodwin	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Shumate, Cory James	P-LPC		5	0
Sims, Tiffany La'Mesha	CONTINGENT		5	0
Atley, Cassandra Taliaferro	CONTINGENT		5	0
Gray, Cozy Mae	CONTINGENT		5	0
Hamburg, Blythe Anne	CONTINGENT		5	0
Henderson, Jodie Marie	CONTINGENT		5	0
Jones, Robert Lemont	CONTINGENT		5	0
Lowe, Morgan Jenae	CONTINGENT		5	0
Lunceford, Lori Ellen	CONTINGENT		5	0
Lyles, Lamarcus Deon	CONTINGENT		5	0
Watkins, Azhia LaDetrice	CONTINGENT		5	0
<b>P-LPC to Candidacy Apps or P-LPC to Licensure Apps</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Burns, Hunter Cherylyn Claire	LICENSURE		5	0
Cruel, Tiffany Nicole	LICENSURE	Etheridge	4	0
Hill, Jimmy LeEarl	LICENSURE		5	0
Matze, Reagan Bartley	LICENSURE		5	0
Smith, Kerri Felder	CONTINGENT		5	0
<b>New Apps for LPC-S</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Dearman, Leticia Dione	CONTINGENT		5	0
Jayroe, Aislin Boler	CONTINGENT		5	0
Martinez, David Jacob	LICENSURE		5	0

Pee, Robin Bryant	LICENSURE		5	0
Ross, Kandace Shunika	CONTINGENT		5	0
Smith, LaShaunda LaQuita	LICENSURE		5	0
Williams, Carisha Clinton	CONTINGENT		5	0
Wilson, Charla Ann	LICENSURE		5	0

<b>New Apps for LPC or Candidate</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Aldridge, Abbie E	LICENSURE		5	0
Coe, Lindsay Elizabeth	CONTINGENT		5	0

<b>New Apps for Comity</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Caviness-Anderson, Nacosha Lee	LICENSURE	Strebeck	4	0
Funches, Semeko Cox	LICENSURE		5	0
Harmon, Holly M	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Hollingsworth, Heather Jean	CONTINGENT		5	0
Hollingsworth, Joshua Kermit	CONTINGENT		5	0
Ross, Danny Lesha	CONTINGENT		5	0

<b>CR LPC-S Apps</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Reed, Jessica Rena	LPC-S		5	0

<b>CR Apps for LPC Candidacy</b>	<b>BOARD DECISION</b>	<b>ABSTENTION</b>	<b>YAYS</b>	<b>NAYS</b>
Madiebo, Evelyn O	LICENSURE		5	0

**MS BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS**

**License Report to Board – January 20, 2023**

<b>Licensed Since Last Meeting - November 10, 2022</b>	<b>Issue Date</b>	<b>Lic Number</b>
Louise Lamb Adams	1/17/2023	2909
Kevin W. Armstrong	1/17/2023	2902
Jonny Dean Berry	1/17/2023	2907
Mary Elizabeth Blake	1/10/2023	2895
Olivia Hope Blassingame	1/17/2023	2898
Margaret T. Cooper	12/6/2022	2893

Christopher Bennent Ellzey	11/28/2022	2885
Ranisha Diamond Especto	1/17/2023	2905
Felicia Deniese Flowers	11/15/2022	2879
Amber Kenesha Gray	1/12/2023	2896
Natasha Griffin	12/5/2022	2890
Victoria N. Griffin	12/7/2022	2894
Adrian Nicole Hall	12/5/2022	2891
Todd Joseph Hendrix	1/17/2023	2904
Estina Michelle Holder	11/30/2022	2889
Christina Lee Kepner	11/17/2022	2881
Paula Kiihnl King	1/17/2023	2897
Nicole Spector Leon	11/28/2022	2882
Ellon Eubank Little	1/17/2023	2908
Abigail McRoberts Miller	11/28/2022	2884
Aletha Antionette Nelson	12/6/2022	2892
Daniele Taylor Nolan	1/17/2023	2901
Brittany Elizabeth Nooner	1/17/2023	2906
Heather Breana Norton	11/29/2022	2888
Hannah Moreau Nugent	11/28/2022	2886
Erica Stephne Powell	11/28/2022	2887
Thomas Diogenes Prude	1/17/2023	2899
Hannah Claire Reed	1/17/2023	2900
Denise White Richardson	1/17/2023	2910
J'Kea Jamara Starks	1/17/2023	2903
Emma Corinne Thomas	11/28/2022	2883
Kamiron Ann Tran	11/17/2022	2880
Virginia Little Alexander	12/1/2022	P-0888
Lindsay E. Boolos	11/14/2022	P-0879
Ayanna Reshay Crenshaw	11/14/2022	P-0880
Adrian Lakesha Day	11/14/2022	P-0881
Renorda Christy Dukes	11/15/2022	P-0887
Barbara Eiland Flowers	12/6/2022	P-0890
Anne Marie Huling	11/14/2022	P-0882
Imani Monique Miller	11/10/2022	P-0878
Hollie Randall Moore	11/14/2022	P-0883
Tammy Lorine Pepin	12/1/2022	P-0889
Terineshia Monique Prince	11/10/2022	P-0885
Sarah Elizabeth Sanders	11/14/2022	P-0884
Samantha Susan Strickland	11/14/2022	P-0886
Heather Nicole Clayton	11/10/2022	LPC-S #503
Laurie Bankston Cooper	11/10/2022	LPC-S #502