LPC Board Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2012

Call to Order:

The Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors held a special meeting on Friday, June 21, 2012, at the Woolfolk Building, Jackson, MS.

Members present were: Dr. Carol Jones, Chair, Dr. Glenn Waller, Dr. Lela Weems, Dr. Kenisha Gordon, and Ms Ann Cox, Executive Director. Ms Leyser Hayes, Board Attorney and Gloria Green, Assist. AG Attorney and Hearing Officer were also present.

Old Business

In the Matter of Michael P. Peterson, (No. 06-2011)

After the Board had received testimonial and documentary evidence in this matter, a motion was made by G. Waller that the Board enters into a closed determination session for the purpose of discussing whether it had cause to go into executive session. Lela Weems recused herself from the consideration and deliberation in this matter and, therefore, did not cast a vote regarding the closed determination session. The motion to go into a closed determination session was passed by the remaining three (3) Board members present at the hearing.

In closed determination session, a motion was made by K. Gordon and seconded by G. Waller that the Board enters into executive session for the purpose of deliberating and considering whether the facts revealed at the hearing in Case Number 06-2011 constituted a violation of any law, rule and/or regulation governing Licensed Professional Counselors, which deliberation and consideration could also lead to litigation against the Board and/or an appeal of the Board's order. The motion carried with the following members voting for: Kenisha Gordon, Carol Jones and Glenn Waller; voting against: none; recusal: Lela Weems; absent: Leona Bishop.

The Board announced to the public the aforesaid reason as the Board's purpose for entering into executive session.

Executive Session

Within the Executive Session, the Board took the following action:

A motion was made by G. Waller seconded by K. Gordon, that the Board meets at 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 30, 2012, at 550 High Street, 12th Floor, Jackson, Mississippi 39201, for further deliberation in Case Number 06-2011. The motion carried with the following members voting for: Kenisha Gordon, Carol Jones and Glenn Waller; voting against: none; recusal: Lela Weems; absent: Leona Bishop.

A motion was made by K. Gordon and seconded by G. Waller for the Board to come out of executive session. The motion carried with the following action: voting for: Kenisha Gordon, Carol Jones and Glenn Waller; voting against: none; recusal: Lela Weems; absent: Leona Bishop.

The Board resumed in open session by announcing the above described action and votes taken in executive session.

Executive Session

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

In the determination session, G. Waller moved, seconded by K.Gordon, 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.

The Board announced to the public the aforesaid reasons as the Board's purpose for entering into Executive Session.

Executive Session

Upon the conclusion of the business for executive session, a motion was made by K. Gordon 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.

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 5:30 p.m. on Friday, June 21, 2012.

Dela L. Ween		
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Signature of Chair	Date	