Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors

Location for Public Access: LPC Board Office and Videoconference through WebEx Special Called Board Meeting Videoconference Monday, February 24, 2025 Minutes

I. <u>Call to Order</u>

The Special Called Board meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors ("Board") was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Dr. Melissa Windham, Chair ("Chair") on Monday, February 24, 2025. The meeting was accessible to the public by contacting the Board office for a call-in number to join the meeting by telephone. A roll call of board members was made, and a quorum was held.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Melissa Windham, Chair, Congressional District III Dr. Kimberly Elam Sallis, Vice-Chair Congressional District I Dr. Richard Strebeck, Secretary, Congressional District-at-Large Sherry Bouldin, Congressional District II Dr. Shelbi Bradley, Congressional District IV

OTHERS PRESENT

Ms. LeeAnn Mordecai, Executive Director, LPC Board Ms. Alexis Morris, Deputy Attorney General Phillips Strickland, Special Assistant Attorney General

II. <u>Board Operations</u>

- A. The Board reviewed the minutes for January 8-9, 2025. Dr. Sallis motioned, seconded by Dr. Bradley, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- B. The Board reviewed the minutes for February 18, 2025. Dr. Sallis motioned, seconded by Dr. Bradley, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0-2. Ms. Bouldin and Dr. Strebeck abstained from the vote.
- C. Strategic Planning will be September 10-12, 2025 in Pascagoula.

III. <u>Financial</u>

- A. The Board reviewed the financial report for January 2025
- B. Ms. Mordecai updated the Board regarding the Appropriation Hearings meetings.

IV. <u>New Business</u>

- A. Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to accept the contract from Mr. Henry Glaze to be the board investigator. Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Ms. Bouldin, to revise the contract. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Ms. Bouldin motioned to offer the amended contract to Mr. Henry Glaze as the Board's investigator. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- B. Ms. Mordecai will meet with the Office of the State Auditor on March 10, 2025.

V. <u>Old Business</u>

- A. Ms. Mordecai updated the board regarding the public-facing side of the website from U.S. Next.
- B. The Board discussed implementing the Lunch and Learn for licensees. Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Dr. Bradley, to host the inaugural Board Lunch and Learn on Wednesday, April 15 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.
- C. The Board's Rules and Regulation changes were filed with the Occupational Licensing Review Commission.
- D. Ms. Mordecai will meet and follow up with CE Broker regarding the recent partnership.
- E. Ms. Mordecai will participate in the Compact Connect Onboarding meeting on February 26, 2025 at 11:30 a.m.
- F. The Board will present at the F. E. Woodall conference.
- G. The Board discussed the benefits of attending the American Association of State Counseling Boards (AASCB) meeting in February 2025.

CLOSED DETERMINATION/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Dr. Bradley, seconded by Dr. Sallis, 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. Bradley motioned, seconded by Ms. Bouldin, that the Board had reason to go into Executive Session [Mississippi Code Annotated §25-41-7 (b & d) and Mississippi Code Annotated §73-52-1 (1 & 2)]. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

VI. <u>Executive Session</u>

Dr. Sallis motioned, seconded by Dr. Bradley, motioned to refund the overpayment. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Dr. Bradley to table requests for testing accommodations pending additional documentation.

2025-5: Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to deny licensure due to Rule 4.1.K.5 and 6. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

2025-11: Dr. Bradley motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to deny licensure due to Rule 4.1.K.5 and 6. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1. Dr. Strebeck voted nay.

Dr. Windham complaints:

- 2024-11, 12, and 13: Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1. Dr. Windham abstained.
- 2024-35: Dr. Bradley motioned, seconded by Dr. Strebeck, to dismiss the complaint. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1. Dr. Windham abstained.

Ms. Bouldin complaints:

• 2024-23: Dr. Sallis motioned, seconded by Dr. Bradley, to take no action. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1. Ms. Bouldin abstained.

Dr. Bradley complaints:

• 2024-24: Dr. Sallis motioned, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to issue a reprimand letter. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1. Dr. Bradley abstained.

Dr Strebeck motioned, seconded by Dr. Sallis, to attach the additional information for John McRee and disclosure to his application for renewal and renew his license. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Upon the conclusion of business of Executive Session, Dr. Strebeck motioned, seconded by Dr. Bradley, to exit Executive Session. The motion carried. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

The Board resumed the regular session at 3:33 pm. by announcing the actions taken within the Executive Session.

VII. <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Approved this the _____3rd ____ day of __April_____, 2025.

/s/

<u>/s/</u>

Board Chair

Board Member

MS BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS				
APPLICATION REVIEW - EXECUTIVE SESSION Monday, February 24, 2025				
P-LPC Apps	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION	YAYS	NAYS
Boyett, Breanna F	CONTINGENT		5	0
Boykins, Kimera Z	CONTINGENT		5	0
Clark, Paul Fraiser	P-LPC		5	0
Cobb, Berrell L.	CONTINGENT		5	0
Curry, Doris Catherine Marie	CONTINGENT		5	0
Davis, Nicole Y	CONTINGENT		5	0
Epps, ReTangia Calronecia	P-LPC		5	0
Floyd, Manessha Teneal	P-LPC		5	0
Gates, Christen Hancock	CONTINGENT		5	0
Gibson, Carmen Olivia-Celeste	CONTINGENT		5	0
Johnson, Carrie M.	CONTINGENT		5	0
Johnson, Felechia Drinker	CONTINGENT		5	0
Kirk, John Sharp	P-LPC		5	0
LeRossignol, Lexi Caviness	P-LPC		5	0
Mitchell, Carvina Vadoll	CONTINGENT		5	0
Moore, Camila Alesia	CONTINGENT		5	0
O'Quinn, Christopher Drayton	P-LPC		5	0
Poole, Darla Ann	CONTINGENT		5	0
Randle, Creadence Ivy	CONTINGENT		5	0
Sanders, Courtland Sharod	CONTINGENT		5	0
Simmons, Myra Jean	CONTINGENT		5	0
Simms, Samantha Lynne	CONTINGENT		5	0
Smith, Candice Leah	CONTINGENT	Bouldin	4	0
Smith, Philece M	CONT'D REVIEW	Douldin	5	0
Stuart, Carrington Grace	P-LPC		5	0
Towers, Erica Yolonda Marie	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Willis, Autumn C	CONTINGENT		5	0
Barnes, Jessica Bernice	CONTINGENT		5	0
Brownlee, Shelby Grace	CONTINGENT		5	0
P-LPC to Licensure Apps	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION	YAYS	NAYS
Allen, Bethany Rachelle	LICENSURE		5	0
Bell, Kennedy Brookfield	LICENSURE		5	0
Cuevas, Colby Uriah	LICENSURE		5	0
Davis, April Nakielle	LICENSURE		5	0
De Vito, Casey Rae	LICENSURE		5	0
Gossfeld, Megan Elizabeth	LICENSURE		5	0

Kelly, John Curtis	LICENSURE	5	0
Kramer, Caroline	LICENSURE	5	0
Poole, Shelli Ann	LICENSURE	5	0
Thomas, Zaducka T	LICENSURE	5	0

LPC-S New Apps	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION	YAYS	NAYS
Burks, Raven J.F.	LICENSURE		5	0
Davis-Luke, Aisha J	CONTINGENT		5	0
Especto, Ranesha Diamond	LICENSURE		5	0
Hendrix, Todd Joseph	LICENSURE		5	0
Kepley, Stephanie Parrish	LICENSURE		5	0
Papadimitriou, Ekaterini	LICENSURE		5	0
Ratliff, Melissa C.	LICENSURE		5	0
Simmons, Carol Lynn Benedict	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Valentine, Michael J	CONTINGENT		5	0
Young, Elizabeth Buckley	LICENSURE		5	0
Creamer, Amber Leigh	LICENSURE		5	0
Easley, Cameron Walters-Carlson	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Jacobs, Taylor Austiin	LICENSURE		5	0
Sims, Tamesha Thompson	LICENSURE		5	0
Woolledge, Jeanie Adolph	LICENSURE		5	0
Humes, Kendal Wellington	LICENSURE		5	0

CR Apps for P-LPC	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION	YAYS	NAYS
Brown, William Jamel	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Denson, Otha Lee	DENIAL		5	0
Grim, Stacy M	CONTINGENT		5	0
Knight, Hazel Charlene	P-LPC		5	0
Little, Benjamin V.	DENIAL		5	0
Moseley, Christina Michelle	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Watson, Victoria Gabrielle	CONT'D REVIEW		5	0
Doss, Tanya Monet	P-LPC		5	0

LPC-S Applications Repeat Review	BOARD DECISION	ABSTENTION	YAYS	NAYS
Robinson, Yolanda	LICENSURE		5	0

MS BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS License Report to Board – February 24, 2025

Licensed Since Last Meeting - January 8 - 9, 2025	Issue Date	Lic Number
Jennifer Jordan Adams	1/13/2025	3219
Samantha Charise Buckley	1/13/2025	3220
Mary Carol Damon	1/13/2025	3214
Jared Myles Davis	1/13/2025	3211
Kathryn D. Davis	1/14/2025	3221
Renorda Christy Dukes	1/13/2025	3216
Melissa Ryan Harwell	1/13/2025	3213
Kiara Williams Johnson	1/13/2025	3217
Audrika Marianna Lewis	1/15/2025	3224
Donna Neely Louis	1/14/2025	3222
Stephen Matthew Nevill	1/14/2025	3223
Deborra Cassandra Rikard	1/13/2025	3215
James Robert Ward	1/27/2025	3225
DeAron L. Washington	1/10/2025	3210
Ja'Kerria D. Wilson	1/13/2025	3212
Stephanie Branch Word	1/13/2025	3218
Dhara Cohly Comans	1/15/2025	P-1291
Makenzie Jewel Cook	1/15/2025	P-1293
Lauryn Alexandria Fletcher	1/9/2025	P-1287
Emily Jean Frye	1/15/2025	P-1295
Leslie Katherine Heckel	1/15/2025	P-1290
Angelia Dawn Herring	1/31/2025	P-1296
Kendall Ashton Kern	1/9/2025	P-1288
Georgia Pugh Lee	1/15/2025	P-1292
Heather JoAnne Lundy	1/15/2025	P-1289
Madalyn Grace Messick	1/9/2025	P-1283
Raja Raja Cholan Nittianandan	2/5/2025	P-1297
Elizabeth Paige Porter	1/9/2025	P-1284
Allison Porter Rogers	1/9/2025	P-1282
Avis Elouise Sparks	1/9/2025	P-1285
Allison Elizabeth Struber	1/15/2025	P-1294
Katrina Machanda Woodson	1/9/2025	P-1286
Kortney Harris Green	1/9/2025	LPC-S #604
Heather Breana Norton	1/9/2025	LPC-S #606
Talya Straughter	1/9/2025	LPC-S #607
Julia Hall Wright	1/9/2025	LPC-S #605