

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
December 3, 2013

Board Members Present:

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

Others Present:

LeeAnn Mordecai, Executive Director
Denise DeRossette, Cornerstone Consulting
Alice Gorman, Cornerstone Consulting
Mark Johnson

Legal Counsel Present:

Margarette Meeks, Attorney General's Office

Board Members Absent:

Dr. Susan Carmichael

I. Call to Order

The Special Called Board Meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors ("Board"), held in Room 117 South of the Woolfolk Building located at 501 North West Street, in Jackson, Mississippi, was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by Dr. Glenn Waller, Chair ("Chair"). The purpose of the special called meeting was to discuss proposed legislation for 2014 MS Legislature and matters relating to prospective litigation. A roll call of members was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Executive Session

Upon motion by Frazier, seconded by Krieger, 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 for the purpose of discussing matters relating to prospective litigation.

The Chair called a recess for lunch at approximately 11:15 a.m. The Chair called the meeting back to order at approximately 11:50 a.m.

Upon conclusion of the business of the executive session, motion by Frazier, seconded by McCormick, and unanimously passed, the Board returned to open session at 2:55 p.m.

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

Upon motion by Krieger, seconded by Frazier, and unanimously passed, the Board agreed submit proposed legislation to 2014 MS Legislature to amend MS Code § **73-30-9** to require criminal history check on applicants for licensure as a licensed professional counselor and on applicants for license renewal as a licensed professional counselor, §**73-30-11** to require filing of an appeal of an adverse ruling of the Licensed Professional Counselor Board to the Circuit Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, § **73-30-21** to require the filing of an appeal of a decision of the Licensed Professional Counselor Board to the Circuit Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, and an appeal of the Circuit Court to the Mississippi Supreme Court, to establish the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County as the venue for applying for orders enjoining the unlawful practice of counseling and/or false representation as a licensed professional counselor, and § **73-30-29**: 1) to provide that the biennial license renewal fee shall be \$200.00 not to exceed \$400.00 if the Licensed Professional Counselor Board finds it necessary for the enforcement and regulation of Chapter 30 of Title 73 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, 2) to require criminal history check on applicants for license renewal as licensed professional counselors, 3) to establish fees for various services provided by the Licensed Professional Counselors Board and 4) to authorize the Licensed Professional Counselors Board to establish additional fees for services as the Board deems necessary for the regulation and enforcement of Chapter 30, Title 73 of the Mississippi Code of 1972. Board requested attorney Meeks to draft language for proposed legislation.

Upon motion by Frazier, seconded by McCormick, and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to submit proposed legislation to a member of the Senate and House Public Health Committee.

Upon motion by Frazier, seconded by McCormick, and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to convey details of Board actions to MCA for their support and provide summarized talking points.

III. Next Meeting

January 23, 2014 – 9:00 a.m. – Room 138 North, Woolfolk Building, 501 North West Street, Jackson, MS

January 24, 2014 – 9:00 a.m. - 239 N Lamar Street, Suite 402, Robert E. Lee Building, Jackson, MS

VIII. Adjournment

Upon motion by Krieger, seconded by McCormick, and unanimously passed, the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting at 4:07 p.m.

Approved this the 23rd day of April, 2014.

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Glenn Waller, Chair

_____/s/_____

Board Member