



Mississippi Autism Board
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Special Meeting

Mississippi Autism Board Special Meeting
May 20, 2022
Woolfolk Building, Jackson, MS
11:30 a.m.

MINUTES

A Special Meeting of the Mississippi Autism Board (“Board”) was called to order on Friday, May 20, 2022, at 11:30 a.m. by board member, Dr. Emily Johnson. The meeting took place in person at the Woolfolk Building in Jackson, MS.

Board Members Present: Emily Johnson, Ph.D. (Chair), Neelima Duncan, Ph.D., Kasee Stratton-Gadke, Ph.D., and Sheila Williamson, Ph.D. Krystal Thurman, Ed.D. (Secretary) arrived at 11:40 a.m.

Others Present: Stacie Sharp (Board Administrator) and Alexis Morris (Special Assistant to the Attorney General, MS Attorney General’s Office), Ellen O’Neal (Hearing Officers), Jonathan Dale, Keith Dale, Melanie Dale, and Chase Wynn.

Call to Order:

Johnson called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. quorum was met.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from March 25, 2022 and April 28, 2022 were approved.

First Matter of Business: Board Administrator Report

Sharp reported on the MAB database funding approval by the legislature.

Second Matter of Business: Annual Selection of Board Officers

The annual selection of board officers was tabled for the next meeting scheduled July 15, 2022.

Third Matter of Business: Executive Session

Stratton-Gadke made a motion to enter Executive Session at approximately 12:00 p.m. Duncan seconded the motion. All Board members were in favor. Stratton-Gadke made a motion to enter executive session to discuss oral examination results and investigation reports. All Board members were in favor. The Board entered Executive Session at 12:05 p.m. Johnson announced the beginning of Executive Session.

- To review test results that are exempt from public access
- To review investigation reports

At 12:15 pm, Johnson made a motion to move out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Stratton-Gadke with no discussion. Duncan, Johnson, Stratton-Gadke, Thurman, and Williamson were in favor. Guests were invited back into open session at 12:16 p.m. Johnson announced the decisions made in the Executive Session.

Fourth Matter of Business: Report of the Oral Exam Committee

Based on the recommendation of the oral examination committee, Johnson presented the following for licensure approval as license behavior analyst or licenses assistant behavior analyst in the State of Mississippi (license number followed by name).

220018	Browning, Loretta Kaye
220019	Schilleci, Debra Clark
220021	Doyle, Angela Engelsen
220022	Carmichael, Nina
220023	Ealy, Danita
220024	Sanger, Kayley Rosemary
220025	Harris, Marrisona

Fifth Matter of Business: Administrative Hearing

An administrative hearing for Complaint 20213 took place beginning at 12:20 p.m. Hearing ended at 8:08 p.m.

Sixth Matter of Business: Executive Session

At 8:10 pm, Johnson made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss the matters of the administrative hearing. The motion was seconded by Stratton-Gadke with no discussion. Johnson, Duncan, Stratton-Gadke, and Thurman voted in favor of entering Executive Session. Williamson abstained from Executive Session discussion. Johnson announced the beginning of Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.

Thurman motioned to exit Executive Session at 9:48 p.m. Duncan seconded. Duncan, Johnson, Stratton-Gadke, and Thurman voted in favor of exiting executive session. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 9:49 p.m.

The next MS Autism Board meeting will take place in person in Jackson, MS, on July 15, 2022.