



Mississippi Autism Board
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Regular Meeting
September 15, 2023
Virtual Meeting via Zoom
2:30 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Mississippi Autism Board (“Board”) was called to order on Friday, September 15, 2023, at 2:30 p.m. by board member, Dr. Emily Johnson. The meeting took place virtually via Zoom.

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

Others Present: Stacie Sharp (Board Administrator) and Alexis Morris (Special Assistant Attorney General, MS Attorney General’s Office)

Motion to approve the minutes from 07.21.23:

Duncan – motioned
Stratton-Gadke - seconded
Unanimous Vote

Motion to Enter Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing oral examinations under Miss Code Ann. § 73-52-1(1), (2), & (3) (test questions and results are exempt from public access) and applications for licensed assistant behavior analysts

Duncan - motioned session
Williamson - seconded
Unanimous Vote

Motion to approve for Licensure (based on the Report/Recommendation from Exam Committee):

Williamson – motioned
Duncan – seconded
Stratton-Gadke – recused from Courtney Lewis 220084
Duncan – recused from Leah Bonner 220093
Unanimous Vote

Licensed Behavior Analyst

220074 Ke'Aarre Cain
220083 Quentin Hutchinson
220084 Courtney Lewis
220085 Kelli Jo Mobbs
220086 Erin Madden
220087 Stacia Evans
220088 Stephanie Mattson
220089 Haley Hendricks
220090 Brooke Edmonds
220091 Daniel Brashear
220092 Juliet Scudder
220093 Leah Bonner
220094 Jessica Crespo
220095 Nikki James
220096 Iyana Galarza
220097 Jewel Shirley

Licensed Assistant Behavior Analyst

201015A Katharine Ann Meldren

The aforementioned licenses are valid 09.15.2023 - 09.14.2026.

Motion to Exit Executive Session:

Williamson - motioned
Stratton-Gadke – seconded
Unanimous Vote

Motion to enter Closed Session:

Stratton-Gadke - motioned
Unanimous Vote

Motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing investigative proceedings by any public body regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law under Mississippi Code Annotated section 25-41-7(d)

Stratton-Gadke – motioned
Williamson - seconded
Unanimous Vote

Motion to Exit Executive Session:

Williamson - motioned
Stratton-Gadke – seconded
Unanimous Vote

Investigative Report and Procedures:

The Board determined the following action based on the summary of investigation reports:

202301 Closed.
202302 Closed.
202303 Closed.

Williamson – motioned
Johnson – seconded
Unanimous Vote

202224 Closed.

Williamson -motioned
Stratton-Gadke – seconded
Unanimous Vote

202304 Received and unassigned to an investigator

Rules and Regulations

Open for public comment.

Motion to approve CE request:

Johnson - motioned
Williamson – seconded
Unanimous Vote

Adjournment:

The next Special Called MS Autism Board meeting will take place virtually on November 10, 2023. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.