



Mississippi Autism Board  
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**Regular Meeting**  
January 19, 2024  
Virtual Meeting via Zoom  
11:30 M

A Regular Meeting of the Mississippi Autism Board (“Board”) was called to order on Friday, January 19, 2024, at 11:30 a.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 11.10.23:**

Stratton-Gadke – motioned  
Johnson - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

**Motion to approve second portion of contract for MAB website/LMS**

Williamson – motioned  
Duncan – 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.**

Williamson - motioned session  
Stratton-Gadke - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

**Motion to enter Closed Session:**

Williamson - motioned  
Duncan - seconded

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to Exit Executive Session:**

Duncan - motioned  
Johnson - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

**Motion to approve for Licensure (based on the Report/Recommendation from Exam Committee) upon completion of all requirements for licensure:**

Stratton-Gadke – motioned  
Duncan - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

Licensed Behavior Analyst

241000	Natasha Hodges
241001	Marissa Thweatt
241002	Lisa Holland
241003	Shannon Wright
241005	Judy Sevillano
241006	Chelsea Hill

The aforementioned licenses are valid 1.19.2024 – 1.20.2027.

**Motion to enter executive session for the purpose of reviewing investigation:**

Williamson - motioned  
Johnson - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

**Motion to enter Closed Session:**

Duncan - 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:

202203        Remains under investigation  
202304        Investigation closed  
240101        Complaint received. Response from LBA awaited.

### **Rules and Regulations**

Board Administrator went before Occupational Licensing Review Commission (OLRC) on December 10, 2023, to present suggested updates to MAB Rules and Regulations. Approval granted.

### **Motion to approve CE request:**

Stratton-Gadke - motioned  
Johnson – seconded  
Unanimous Vote

### **Announcements**

Website remains under development.

### **Adjournment:**

A Special Called meeting will take place virtually on March 22, 2024. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m.