

Georgia State Board of Funeral Service
Minutes
August 10, 2004

Minutes Approved at September 7, 2004 Meeting

The Georgia State Board of Funeral Service held its regular meeting on August 10, 2004 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. H. E. Shelton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members present were: H. E. Shelton, Chairman, Michael Fowler, Vice-Chair, David Roach, Board Member, Draper Watson, Board Member, Thelon Hamby, Cognizant Member.

Others present were: Steve Lindsey, Executive Director, Jo Ann Lyde, Application Specialist and Board Secretary, Robert Renjel, Assistant Attorney General, Howard Fields, Inspector, and John Massey, Inspector.

Mr. Fowler moved to accept the minutes from the July 13, 2004 meeting. Mr. Watson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session:

Mr. Fowler moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on Attorney General's Report, applications, investigations, and complaints. Mr. Watson seconded the motion. Motion carried by Mr. Shelton, Mr. Roach, and Mr. Hamby.

Open Session:

Mr. Shelton, Chairman, declared the meeting open.

Appointments:

Hall and Hall Funeral Home, Inc. did not appear before the Board as previously scheduled. The Board was notified by the establishment owners that the application for change in FDFCC was no longer valid. The previous FDFCC is to return to the establishment, and the owners wish for the previous FDFCC to resume that position. Mr. Fowler moved that the previous FDFCC will need to reapply. Mr. Hamby seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Fowler moved to grant Stacy McDuffie's request to be released from probation. Mr. Hamby seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Samuel Louis Allen as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Marshall's Funeral Home in Blackshear, Georgia. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Fowler moved to approve Warren C. Cauthen as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Striffler-Hamby Mortuary in Columbus, Georgia. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Mr. Hamby recused himself. Motion carried.

Mr. Fowler moved to approve the change of name of Eternal Light, 3734 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, to the new name of Dressler's. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Fowler moved to approve Daniel Peeples as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous charge of Julian Peeples Funeral Home-Westside Chapel pending a consent agreement. Mr. Hamby seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Donald Kenneth Miller, Jr. as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous charge of Parnick Jennings Funeral Home & Cremation Services in Cartersville, Georgia, pending a consent agreement. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Steven G. Framke met with the Board today for approval as the supervising embalmer for Robbie Gene Bazemore, apprentice applicant. Mr. Bazemore's application indicated that Mr. Framke was a trade embalmer, and it is required that trade embalmers meet with the Board for approval. After Mr. Framke met with the board it was discovered that the application was completed incorrectly and that he is not a trade embalmer. No action from the Board was necessary.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Larry H. Glover as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge for Towns Funeral Home, Inc. in Alamo, Georgia. Mr. Watson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Philip Hardy as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge for Horne Towns Funeral Home, Inc, in Eastman, Georgia. Mr. Watson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Change of Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Sellers Brothers, Inc. was postponed, due to the fact that Juanita Sellers Stone, owner, was unable to attend today's Board meeting.

Complaints:

FUN050014

Mr. Hamby moved to send this case to investigations. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUN050013

Mr. Hamby moved to send this case to investigations. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUN050012

Mr. Hamby moved to send this case to investigations. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUN050015

Mr. Hamby moved to send this case to inspections. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUN050017

Mr. Hamby requested that the Board office schedule an investigative interview with the complainant. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUN050021

Mr. Hamby moved to send this case to inspections. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUN050018

Mr. Hamby moved to send this case to investigations. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Investigative Reports:

Mr. Hamby moved to accept the Voluntary Cease and Desist Order on Putnam Memorial Funeral Home located at 105 Forest Street, Eatonton, Georgia. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried

Inspector's Report:

FUN050009

Mr. Hamby moved to close this case. Mr. Watson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney General's Report:

FUN040053

Mr. Hamby moved to close this case. Mr. Watson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUN050016

Mr. Hamby moved to send this case to the Attorney General's Office for appropriate legal action. Mr. Watson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business/Old Business/Correspondence:

Mr. Hamby moved to approve a 90-day grace period for Parkway Garden Chapel. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve a 90-day grace period for Adams Funeral Home. Mr. Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Due to some Board members having to leave, resulting in the loss of a quorum, this Board meeting adjourned at 12:35.