

Georgia State Board of Funeral Service
Minutes

September 13, 2005

Minutes Approved at October 11, 2005 Meeting

The Georgia State Board of Funeral Service held its regular meeting on September 13, 2005 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. David Roach, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Members present were: Terri Daviston, Thelon Hamby, Draper Watson, and Lauren McDonald.

Others Present were: Steve Lindsey, Executive Director, Janice Ross, Board Secretary, JoAnn Lyde, Application Specialist, John Massey, Inspector, and Howard Fields, Inspector.

Mr. Watson moved to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2005, and August 15, 2005 meetings. Mr. Watson further moved to approve the minutes to the August 19, 2005 meeting with the inclusion of a reference to a statement made by Inspector Fields regarding difficulties he had with an inspection for reinstatement of an establishment license. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

New Business / Old Business / Correspondence

New Business

Mr. Hamby moved to accept the meeting schedule for 2006. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried. A copy of this schedule is attached to the minutes.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed correspondence from Mr. James Baugh in which he requested advice from the Board regarding his plans to purchase a funeral establishment. Mr. Hamby moved to send a letter to inform Mr. Baugh that the board cannot advise him on purchasing a funeral home without an application and he should consult with an attorney. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

90 day grace period

Mr. Hamby moved to approve the first 90 day grace period for Murray & Sons Funeral Home. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve the first 90 day grace period for Ronnie L. Stewart Funeral Home. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Mr. Watson moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications, investigations, and complaints. Mr. Hamby seconded the motion. Motion carried by Mr. Davidson, Mr. McDonald, and Mr. Roach.

Appointments

The Board interviewed applicants for changes of funeral director in full and continuous charge, changes of name and address of funeral establishments, and approval as apprentice supervisor

by trade embalmer. The Board also heard appeals from applicants who had been denied licensure as embalmer and funeral director by reciprocity.

Applications

JoAnn Lyde, Application Specialist, joined the meeting to present applications to the Board.

Complaints

Mr. Hamby, Cognizant Member, presented complaints to the Board.

Investigative Report

Chuck Miller, investigator with the Enforcement Section, presented investigative reports to the Board.

Open Session

Mr. Roach declared the meeting open.

Appointments:

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Keith Allan Blanchard as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Poteet Funeral Home in Augusta. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Keith Allan Blanchard as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Central Savannah River Crematory in Augusta. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Archie Lee Hayes as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Thornton Funeral Home in Hazlehurst. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Willie Thomas Edmondson as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Lakes-Dunson-Robertson Funeral Home and Crematory in LaGrange. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Tanya D. Baugh as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Knox Funeral Home in Atlanta. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Dana Lynn Lemon as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of W. D. Lemon & Son Funeral Home in McDonough. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Bobby Lemon as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of W. D. Lemon & Son Funeral Home in Morrow. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Leroy Lockhart as the Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Lewis Sims & Son Funeral Home in Jackson. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Hugh B. Allen as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of H. M. Patterson & Son in Atlanta. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve William Craig Bodiford as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of H. M. Patterson & Son in Atlanta. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Kevin Acre as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Vance-Brooks Funeral Home in Columbus. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Elbert J. Covington, Sr. as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of James A. Thomas Funeral Home in Lumpkin. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Earl Walter Darby as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Huey Funeral Home in Canton. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Todd M. Sinkus as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Holly Hill Chapel in Fairburn pending receipt of a letter notifying the office that the previous FDFCC has resigned and to issue the owner of the establishment a letter of concern. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve Kenny Jacobs as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge of Morningside Crematory in Buford. Mr. McDonald seconded. Motion carried.

New Establishments

Mr. Watson moved to approve James A. Thomas Funeral Home in Lumpkin as a new establishment with Elbert J. Covington, Sr as the FDFCC. Mr. Hamby seconded. Motion carried.

Applications:

Mr. Hamby moved to accept the applications as presented. Mr. Daviston seconded the motion. Motion carried. All issued licenses are listed as follows:

Apprentice

FSA004542	Fain, Waymon Harold
FSA004543	James, Monica Shanta
FSA004544	Reardon, Jaclyn K
FSA004545	Winkler, Stacy Renee
FSA004546	Ayers, David Lee
FSA004547	Hendrick, Willie Kevin
FSA004548	Greene-Skinner, James Allen
FSA004549	Givens, Michelle Petrino

Funeral Director

FD004832	Ward, Patrick Stephens
FD004833	Williams, Felicia
FD004834	Smith, Larry Parnell
FD004835	Camp, Lawrence Fred
FD004836	Sisson, Elizabeth Jones
FD004837	Hinson, Jon'tae R

Embalmers

EMB004421	Ward, Patrick Stephens
EMB004422	Williams, Felicia
EMB004423	Smith, Larry Parnell
EMB004424	Camp, Lawrence Fred
EMB004425	Sisson, Elizabeth Jones
EMB004426	Hinson, Jon'tae R

Mr. Hamby moved to deny the appeal of Daphne A. Waters for license by Reciprocity for Funeral Director and Embalmer. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to deny the appeal of Sabrina Leon for license by Reciprocity for Funeral Director and Embalmer. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to deny the appeal of Michelle Givens for license by Reciprocity for Funeral Director and Embalmer. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Watson moved to accept the appeal and approve the application of Carl W. Steiger for license by Reciprocity for Funeral Director and Embalmer. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve the application by Reciprocity for Funeral Director and Embalmer License of David Brent Jones. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve the application by Reciprocity for Funeral Director and Embalmer License of Robert Mark Shaffer. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to deny license by Reciprocity for Funeral Director and Embalmer license of Fabio Coicon, William Victor Speer, Jr. and Ronald Everett Gaucher. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve the reinstatement of licenses for Funeral Director and Embalmer for Charles Eugene Parker, Barbara Johnson, Robert Eric Huggins, and Clauoius Wayne Davis. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve the reinstatement of apprentice license for Corary Ivan Crawford and Louis R. Pearce, Sr. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve change in apprenticeship sites with change of supervisors for Robert Jason Jackson and Darlene Wright. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to approve the change of supervising embalmer and funeral directors for Evon Turner Middleton and Kim Cline. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to table the application for apprenticeship for Jeffrey Howard Proffitt. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Complaints

FUN050050

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

FUN050056

Mr. Hamby moved to forward this case to the Attorney General to approve the FDFCC by consent order and a \$16,000 fine on the establishment for operating without an approved FDFCC for 32 months. Mr. Roach seconded. Motion carried.

FUN050074

Mr. Hamby moved to forward to the Attorney General for revocation of the establishment and FDFCC license. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

FUN050062 and FUN050063

Mr. Hamby moved to conduct a Cognizant interview with the FDFCC. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

FUN060084, FUN050086, FUN050091, FUN050092

Mr. Hamby reported on these complaints. Mr. Watson moved to send these complaints to investigation. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

FUN060087

Mr. Hamby reported on this complaint. Mr. Watson moved to send this complaint to investigation. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

FUN060088

Mr. Hamby reported on this complaint. Mr. Watson moved to send this complaint to investigation. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

FUN060089

Mr. Hamby reported on this complaint. Mr. Watson moved to close this complaint. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

FUN060090

Mr. Hamby reported on this complaint. Mr. Watson moved to send this complaint to investigation. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

FUN060093

Mr. Hamby reported on this complaint. Mr. Watson moved to send this complaint to inspection. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

FUN060094

Mr. Hamby reported on this complaint. Mr. Watson moved to send this complaint to inspection. Mr. Daviston seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to accept the Voluntary Cease & Desist Order on Adams Funeral Home. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to accept the Voluntary Cease & Desist Order on Merritt Funeral Home. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamby moved to send the inspector back to serve Voluntary Cease & Desist Orders on Hall's Funeral Home and Wilkinson County Mortuary, Inc. Mr. Watson seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.