

Georgia State Board of Funeral Service
Minutes
April 10, 2007

A meeting of The Georgia State Board of Funeral Service was held on April 10, 2007 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. Draper Watson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

A quorum was established with members present being: Draper Watson, Chairman, Linda Ware, Nancy Kennedy, Lauren McDonald, and Terri Daviston.

Others present were as follows: Steve Lindsey, Executive Director, JoAnn Lyde, Application Specialist, Reagan Dean, Assistant Attorney General, Howard Fields, Inspector, John Massey, Inspector, Maria Stephenson, Investigative Assistant, and Laurie Elander, Board Secretary.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. McDonald moved, Mrs. Kennedy seconded, and the Board approved the minutes of the March 13, 2007 meeting.

Update on legislation: Mr. McDonald presented. House Bill 401 has been combined with House Bill 90 and is scheduled for consideration this week.

Executive Session:

Mr. McDonald moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications, complaints, and investigations, as authorized by OCGA §§ 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h). Mrs. Ware seconded the motion. The motion was carried by Ms. Ware, Mr. McDonald, Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. Daviston, and Mr. Watson. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on the matters discussed and to continue with the public session.

J. Byrd Hodges was not in attendance for his appointment.

Mr. McDonald moved, Mr. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to table decision pending inspection of application of new establishment for SE DC & C S.

Mr. Daviston moved, Mr. McDonald seconded, and the Board denied Edwin Shelton as supervisor for Shellie Jackson's apprenticeship.

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved Kisha Germany's application for apprenticeship, with probation throughout her apprenticeship. Mr. Daviston opposed the motion.

George Wyche, Jr. was not in attendance for his appointment.

Ms. Kennedy moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved Daniel Carlos Gillis as FDFCC of Young Funeral Home in Atlanta, GA.

Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board approved Charles David McLeighton as FDFCC of Goddard Funeral Home in Reynolds, GA.

Ms. Ware moved, Mr. McDonald seconded, and the Board approved Edward McCoy Goddard, Jr. as FDFCC of Goddard Funeral Home in Roberta, GA.

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved Vinson McKnight as FDFCC of Speer & Speer Funeral Home in Ellenwood, GA.

Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to table decision of application for new establishment for R H CI LLC pending further information.

Appointment for Fischer Funeral Home LLC was cancelled.

Ms. Kennedy moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved Troy Lawton as FDFCC of Gaines Funeral Home in Sylvania, GA.

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to issue a cease and desist order for Williams & Williams Funeral Home due to expiration of the 2nd 90-day grace period on April 10, 2007.

Applications:

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the licenses issued since the January 9, 2007 meeting for funeral directors, embalmers, and apprentices. Applications issued and ratified by the Board were:

License	Name	License Type
EMB004507	Russell, Candice Elaine	Embalmer
EMB004508	Lewis, Carvel Clarence	Embalmer
EMB004509	Reardon, Jaclyn Kucsera	Embalmer
EMB004510	Givens, Michelle Petrino	Embalmer
FD004918	Russell, Candice Elaine	Funeral Director
FD004919	Lewis, Carvel Clarence	Funeral Director
FD004920	Reardon, Jaclyn Kucsera	Funeral Director
FD004921	Givens, Michelle Petrino	Funeral Director
FSA004742	Drummond, James Douglas, II	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004743	Dillard, Danielle Denise	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004744	Boston, Clarence Javon	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004745	McCall, Melvin Lee	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004746	Dixon, Janie Towns	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004747	Skipper, Leverne Vanzo	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004748	Prior, Samuel Lee, Jr.	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004749	Rosier, Brandon Allen	Funeral Service Apprentice
FSA004750	Bryan, Mary Amelia	Funeral Service Apprentice

FSA004751 Standifer, Robert Kent
FSA004752 Liu, Tommie Darlene

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Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board denied application for FDFCC for Matthew Jones at Miller Funeral Home in Hinesville, GA.

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved application for Funeral Director and Embalmer licenses for Karen Beth Baker.

Ms. Ware moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to table decision of reinstatement of apprentice license for M W C.

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to table decision for reinstatement of Funeral Director and Embalmer's license for J J.

Ms. Ware moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to table decision of reinstatement for Funeral Director and Embalmer's license for B J M.

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to table decision for application for Funeral Director and Embalmer's license for R M.

Ms. Ware moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board denied apprentice application for Dana Andrew Watkins.

Ms. Kennedy moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved apprentice application for James Taylor.

Attorney General Report:

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to accept consent order, fine, and close file for Aaron Dyson.

Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to accept consent order, fine, and close file for Tri-Cities Funeral Home.

FUN060130: Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to refer the case to the Attorney General's office to prepare consent orders for Embalmer and FDFCC with fines for both of \$500.00; 12 months probation, and appear before the board.

FUN060136: Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to notify local District Attorney for legal action for violation of Cease & Desist Order and to send letter of concern to Funeral Director involved.

Complaints:

FUN040016: Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to close with no action.

FUN040017: Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to close with no action.

FUN040072: Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to close with no action.

FUN060117: Mr. Daviston moved, Mr. McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to close with no action.

FUN060150: Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to send to Attorney General's office for revocation of Embalmer's and Funeral Director's licenses.

FUN070047: Ms. Kennedy moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to close with no action.

FUN070048: Ms. Kennedy moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to close the case as a duplicate complaint of FUN070047

FUN070054: Ms. Ware moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to close with letter of concern.

FUN070055: Ms. Kennedy moved, Mr. McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to forward to inspector.

FUN070056: Ms. Kennedy moved, Mr. McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to forward to investigations.

FUN070057: Ms. Ware moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to forward to enforcement to monitor the criminal case.

FUN070058: Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to forward to investigations.

FUN070060: Ms. Kennedy moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to send to Investigations.

Inspector report:

FUN070045: Ms. Ware moved, Mr. McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to close with letter of concern about delinquent filing of death certificates.

FUN070044: Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to close with no action.

Continuing Education:

Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following continuing education courses presented:

Provider	Course Name	Hours Requested
NFDA	FatherLoss: How sons of all ages come to terms with the death of their dads.	10 hours
Aurora Casket Company	Arranger Training	4 hours
The York Group	Focus on Your Future	14 hours
Batesville Casket Company, Inc.	1) Manufacturing and Assembly Plant Tours along with a Product Knowledge	1) 2 hours

	presentation 2) Creating value for families through meaningful funeral experiences 3) Meeting the needs of the value driven cremation consumer 4) Using E-Business to create a meaningful funeral experience	2) 3 hours 3) 2 hours 4) 2 hours
Independent Funeral Directors of Georgia	Round Table Discussion	2 hours
ICFSEB	Annual Conference (April 21-22)	10.25 hrs
NFDA	1) How to Prepare for Your Accountant 2) Presidential Roundtable-Area Customs 3) Collecting Money from Debtors 4) Becoming a Healthy Funeral Director 5) Effects of Chemotherapeutic Agents on Human Remains: A Primer for Embalmers & Funeral Directors	1) 1.5 hrs 2) 1 hour 3) 1.5 hrs 4) 1.5 hrs 5) 1.5 hrs

Other Business:

Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved 1st 90-day grace period for Kennedy Funeral Home in Cobbtown, GA.

Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved 1st 90-day grace period for Ronnie L. Stewart Funeral Service, Vidalia, GA.

Mr. McDonald moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved 1st 90-day grace period for Sunset Funeral Home, Kingsland, GA.

Ms. Kennedy moved, Ms. Ware seconded, and the Board approved 2nd 90-day grace period for Jones-Stewart Funeral Home, Lyons, GA.

Mr. McDonald moved, Mr. Daviston seconded, and the Board denied the request for fine consideration from Pasley-Fletcher Funeral Home, Inc.

The Board reviewed the following:

Change of ownership for Harvey Funeral Home, Dawson, GA

Change of ownership for Pearson-Treadwell Funeral Home, Blackshear, GA

Surrender of establishment license for Price & Sons Mortuary, Summerville, GA

Election of Board Members:

Mr. Daviston moved, Ms. Kennedy seconded, and the Board elected to keep current officers another term. Draper Watson will remain Chairman, and David Roach will remain Vice-Chair.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Minutes were approved at the May 8, 2007 meeting