Georgia State Board of Cemeterians Board Meeting Minutes – June 19, 2018 - 10:00 A.M. Via Teleconference

Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217

Members Present:

- Richard Parker Vice Chair
- William (Micky) Couey
- Emory Lamar
- Tim Smith
- Mike Lawrence

Members Absent:

- Clift Dempsey Chair
- Dan Greene

Others Present:

- La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Deputy Division Director / Acting Executive Director
- Laurie Elander, Licensing Supervisor
- Carla Murray, Licensing Analyst
- Melanie Foster, Board Support Specialist
- Forrest Pearce, Assistant Attorney General
- Macy McCarty, Secretary of State Attorney
- Brad Coman, Incoming Executive Director

Note: Visitors are excused during Executive Session unless scheduled for a personal appearance.

<u>Call to Order:</u> Richard Parker, Acting Chair, noted a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., and declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§50-14-1 et seq.

OPEN SESSION:

Agenda:

The Board reviewed the Agenda for the June 19, 2018 meeting. Micky Couey moved, Mike Lawrence seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda.

Minutes:

Mike Lawrence moved, Emory Lamar seconded, and the Board voted to approve the April 17, 2018 Open Session and Executive Session minutes.

Licenses Issued Report:

The Board reviewed the following Report of Licenses Issued 04-16-2018 thru 06-17-2018 (Total – 27):

License #	Licensee
PA003886	Rosalyn Charmaine Banks
PA003887	Shannon Lynn Bonner
PA003888	Lori Knight Graddy
PA003889	Benjamin Theodore Price
PA003890	Brandy April Blakely
PA003891	Taj Ali Stewart-Cook
PA003892	Allison Nicole Gann
PA003893	Anne Messimer
PA003894	Suzanne Turkiewicz Elkins
PA003895	Morgan Michelle Jordan
PA003896	Felicia Kelly

License #	Licensee
PA003897	Stanley Watts
PA003898	Chamika McAllister Hull
PA003899	Chad Thomas Eubanks
PA003900	Daniel Brannon Wade
PA003901	Shelia Lynn Cromartie
PA003902	Caroline Amanda Shoup
PA003903	Zaid Akil Sabater
PA003904	Nhi Lan Le
PA003905	Pamela Mejia
PA003906	Corrina Marie Hills
PA003907	John D Luther

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License #	Licensee	
PA003908	Robert B Fox	
PA003909	Danny William Curry	
PA003910	Troy Nathan Tushoski	

License #	Licensee
PA003911	Kenneth Thomas Merritt
PA003912	Pamela Annette Davis

Tim Smith moved, Mike Lawrence seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the licenses issued between meetings in accordance with Board rules and policies.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Tim Smith moved, Emory Lamar seconded, and the Georgia State Board of Cemeterians voted to enter into Executive Session on Tuesday, June 19, 2018, at 10:01 a.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(h), and 43-38, for the purpose of reviewing complaint cases, and to hear the Attorney General's report.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, the Acting Chair declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq., at 11:37 a.m. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

OPEN SESSION:

Mike Lawrence moved, Micky Couey seconded, and the motion was carried by the Board to ratify the following recommendations made during Executive Session:

Applications:

No applications were presented.

Complaints:

ENCE-0215- close - Send letter to verify that window has been fixed.

ENCE-0207 - close - No violation.

ENCE-0221 - close - No violation; send letter to family.

ENCE-0218- close - Matter resolved with new contract.

ENCE-0175 - table - Refer to Inspections to obtain information regarding why marker was sold.

ENCE-0189 - close - Resolved.

ENCE-0222 - table - Refer to Inspections.

ENCE-0223 - table - Pending AG review, and further Board review.

ENCE-0145- table - Board to reach out to Mr. Barnett for cemetery contact information.

ENCE-0194 - table - Refer to Investigations for statement.

Attorney General's Report:

Discussed ongoing complaint ENCE-0030.

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Other Business:

Macy McCarty advised the Board that the 2018 Cemeterian fees will need to be reviewed and voted on before July 1, 2018. The Board voted to table review until the June 28, 2018 meeting.

There being no further business, Mike Lawrence moved, Micky Couey seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn at 11:48 a.m.

The Georgia State Board Cemeterians will hold their next meeting on June 28, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. via teleconference.

Minutes recorded by: Melanie Foster, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by: La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Deputy Division Director

Minutes were approved on: Avgust 21, 2018

Clift Dempsey, Chair

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AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specified exemptions relied upon. O.C.G. A. 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meetings in question.

Comes Clift Dempsey, the Chairman identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

- 1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia State Board of Cemeterians.
- 2. I am over the age of 18 and in other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and subject to penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
- 3. On <u>June 19, 2018</u> this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of members present voted to close the meeting or a portion hereof of the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
- 4. The legal authority for closure of this meeting was: O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k).
- The subjects discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are as follows:

Applications and other personal information submitted by the applicants; information, Favorable or unfavorable, submitted by a reference source concerning an applicant; and Deliberations of the Board with respect to an application, an examination, a complaint, an Investigation, or a disciplinary proceeding.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

with express permission by LaTrenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th

DING OFFICER

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