

Kentucky Board of Embalmers & Funeral Directors

November 14, 2023
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Louisville, Kentucky

PRESENT: Jonathan Rideout, Chairman- arrived at 12:17p.m.
Jack "Sonny" Meyer, Vice Chair
Danny Percell
Robert Garner
Ronald Raymond, Consumer Representative
John Blevins, Board Attorney
Danielle Jeffries-Webb, Inspector
Kanetha Dorsey, Executive Director

Call to Order- meeting was called to order by Mr. Meyer at 10:00.am.

Chairman Rideout informed Mr. Meyer he would be late arriving to this meeting.

Mr. Percell made a motion to approve the October minutes, seconded by Mr. Raymond, the motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Meyer confirmed the appearance of the following Apprentice applicants and change of supervisor applicants:

Apprenticeship

Dual:

Emma Coomer/Curt Demrow—McKinney Brown Funeral Home
Stephanie Corley/Mark A. Ray—Glenn Funeral Home & Crematory
Brittany Doyle/Nicholas Hall—R.E. Rogers Funeral Home
Cierra Ricard/David Bevil—J.C. Kirby & Son Funeral Chapel
Kailey Jo Roberts/Tom Hemmerle—Barnett Strother Funeral Home

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Kelly McEuen/Billy Butcher—Tucker, Yocum, & Wilson Funeral Home
Paul Royster/Matthew Hunt—Morton-Hunt Funeral Home
Brian Schreck/Peter Holmes—Ratterman & Sons Funeral Home
Jared Simpson/Bryan Young—Dwayne Walker Funeral Home
Nicholas Walker/Bryan Young—Dwayne Walker Funeral Home

Change of Supervisor:

Kendall Compton/Cody Shafer—Newcomer Cremations, Funerals, & Receptions
Haleigh Jackson/Jesse New—Arch L. Heady @ Resthaven
Haley Lloyd/John Sennhenn, Jr.—Floral Hills Funeral Home

Marissa Lieras/Douglas Yeary—T.I.E.S.

Inspector Danielle Webb charged the apprentice applicants and change of supervisor applicants.

Motion to accept apprentices and change supervisor applications was made by Mr. Garner and seconded by Mr. Percell, the motion carried 4-0.

Inspector Report- Inspector Danielle Webb presented her inspector report for November. The board accepted the report on a motion of Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Percell. Motion passed 4-0.

Apprenticeship Committee

Michael Kearns/Jeff Johnson—Lusk McFarland Funeral Home

Establishments

Motion to approve the establishment license Hardy & Son Funeral Home-Bill Hardy was made by Mr. Percell and seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion to approve the establishment license of Hall & Jones Funeral Home was made by Mr. Percell and seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Rideout arrived at 12:17p.m.

Establishments

Motion by Mr. Meyers seconded by Mr. Percell to allow the following licenses and transfers:

Allison & Rose Funeral Home—Don Catchen II, Ronald Cook, W. Gyles Bruin—Don Catchen & Son presented before the board to discuss plans concerning the management of the funeral homes.

Hall & Jones Funeral Home, Jenkins Chapel—Kevin Hall and Travis Robinson

Motion passed 5-0.

Hardy & Son Funeral Home-Bill Hardy and Kevin Beaty presented before the board to discuss embalmer manager change.

Motion to approve the application of Precious Memories Funeral Home—Safarhi Brooks and Avil Harris—new establishment was made by Mr. Meyer and seconded by Mr. Garner; motion carried 5-0.

December Licensure Applications:

Motion to approve the below licensure applications was made by Mr. Raymond seconded by Mr. Meyer. Motion passed 5-0.

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- Garrard Forsythe—Hinton-Turner Funeral Home
- Terry Fortner—Barnett Strother Funeral Home
- Shannon Goodman—Goodman Funeral Home
- Bradley Guthrie—Evarts Funeral Home
- Jarod Johnson—Walden Funeral Home
- Chace Maggard—Maggard's Mountain View Chapel
- Laura Wagner—Highlands Family Owned Funeral Home
- Jason McManus--Reciprocal

Dual

- Justin Crawford—Keeling & Goodman Funeral Home
- Elizabeth Fulkerson—James H. Davis Funeral Home & Crematory
- Melanie Groves—Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home
- Melinda Henson—Engle-Bowling Funeral Home
- Natasha Maynard—Neal-Kilgore & Collier Funeral Home
- Samuel Phillips—Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home
- Ashley Ulrich—Connley Brothers Funeral Home
- Julia Wiget—Reciprocal

Embalmer Only

- David K. West—Betts & West

Exemptions and Letter Requests:

Dr. Khaled Jouja addressed the board and discussed his plans with the board.

Brittany Cornett—letter request to consider apprenticeship with items on background report; is also in mortuary school. No action taken.

New Business

Discussion held on Office Updates including 1st draft of 2024 calendar.

Discussions held on updating the Funeral Directors on Laws and Protocols—Motion to not approve the CE on updating Funeral Directors on Laws and Protocols made by Mr. Meyer seconded by Mr. Percell. Motion passed 5-0.

Legal

E.230421.01 Holloway v. Milward Southland, Douglas Holloway—Motion by Mr. Percell enter into an agreed order with Milward Funeral Home to dismiss this claim if they cease collection actions related to the funeral in the complaint seconded by Mr. Raymond and passed 5-0.

B. 230808.01 Barbourville Funeral--Motion by Mr. Raymond seconded by Mr. Meyer to initiate complaint against Barbourville Funeral Home for the violations discovered by the inspector and to settle the complaint for a fine of \$2,500.00 payable in 5 monthly installment payments of \$500.00 to resolve the complaint. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion was made to initiate complaints related to the below violators for failing to maintain the apprenticeship calendars and offer the below settlements, motion was made by Mr. Garner and seconded by Mr. Raymond, motion passed 5-0.

A.231114.01 Michael Kearns- Agreed order to appear at December Board meeting to hear the apprenticeship charge given by inspector Danielle Webb. Restart his apprenticeship on December 12, 2023 after he was successfully re-charged. Bring his level 2 card to be turned in to Executive Director Dorsey.

A.231114.01 Jeffrey Johnson- Agreed order to appear at December Board meeting to hear the apprenticeship charge given by inspector Danielle Webb if he intends to continue on as supervisor. \$2,500.00 fine.

B.231114.01 Brooks Funeral Home—Unlicensed activity--motion to initiate a complaint and offer a settlement of a fine of \$1,000.00 by Mr. Percell, seconded by Mr. Meyer. Motion passed 5-0.

A.231114.02 Anthony Pierce—Grayson County agreed order to withdraw from apprenticeship and be allowed to reapply when criminal charges are resolved. Initiate complaint if doesn't accept. Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Raymond 5-0.

Courtesy Card Issues:

James Holt-IN, motion made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Rideout to deny and inform Mr. Holt to reapply when the probationary terms and conditions are removed from Indiana License. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mr. Garner seconded by Mr. Rideout to deny the requests of Noel Lipinski and Brian Merkle, motion carried 5-0.

**Meeting adjourned at 3:00p.m. on a motion by Mr. Garner seconded by Mr. Raymond.
Motion passed 5-0.**

Surface Transportation & Removal Permit class and examination held after meeting adjourned.

Jonathan P. ...
Chairman



