

Kentucky Board of Embalmers & Funeral Directors
Regular Board Meeting
KODA
10301 Linn Station Road
Louisville, KY
September 10, 2024

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Present: Sonny Meyer, Vice-Chairman (Acting Chairman to begin meeting)

Robert Garner
Ronald Raymond
Roth Mason-Mr. Mason arrived at 10:30 a.m.
Kanetha Dorsey, Executive Director
Danielle Webb, Inspector
John Blevins, General Counsel
Rose Twiford, Executive Assistant

Arrived during meeting: Jonathan Rideout, Chairman (arrived at 11:50 a.m.)

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Call to Order- The meeting was called to Order at 10:05 by acting chairman Sonny Meyer.

Motion by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner to pass reading and approval of the minutes until Chairman Rideout arrives. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Garner made a motion to approve the below listed apprenticeships and supervisor changes of the following applicants, motion was seconded by Mr. Raymond, the motion carried 3-0, Mr. Mason recused from voting because he had an Apprentice on the list:

Apprenticeships

Dual:

Kansas Auberry/Donald Auberry-5744—Auberry Funeral Home & Cremation Services
Crystal Cowan/Alan Stringer-4808—Somerset Undertaking Co. & Crematory
Faith Rominger/Tara Rominger-5440—Rominger Funeral Home
Janie Simpson/Michael Chadwick-6984—Tucker Funeral Home
Jeremy White/Roth Mason-4794—Mason & Sons Funeral Home

Funeral Director Only:

Jenna Lakes-Coyle/Kourtney Tyra-7169—Lakes Funeral Home
Stephanie Phelps/AJ Schier-5856—Linnemann Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Center

James Sutton II/Greg Brown-6200—Walker Funeral Home
Joseph Williams/Tyler Wilson-7087—Arch L. Heady & Son Funeral Home & Cremation Services

Change of Supervisor

Haleigh Hall/Tyler Wilson-7087—Arch L. Heady at Resthaven Funeral Home

The apprentice applicants and supervisors were charged by Inspector, Danielle Webb.

Spring Valley Funeral Home/Anthony Oxendine-Discussion about new complaints received and what the Office/Attorney was doing with complaints.

Hampton-Hutton Funeral Home- Motion to approve the application was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Mason. Motion carried 4-0.

Chairman Rideout arrived at 11:50 a.m.

Motion to approve the August minutes was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Mason, motion carried 5-0.

Office Report-Executive Director Dorsey addressed the board on status of the office.

After discussion a motion was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner to amend the form for exemptions to allow board to consider waiving of in person CE's on an as needed basis. Motion carried 5-0.

Exemptions and Paper Requests:

Donald Pearson- appeared in person to address the board because he's been unable to complete his apprenticeship because of personal/family issues, was requesting his time to be held in abeyance. Board was unable to take action because of status of law on granting the request. Clayton Church-written request submitted to board for an exemption. Board tasked Ms. Twiford with requesting more information to properly consider the request.

Mark T Lytle-Courtesy Card-written request for courtesy card, board was aware of active investigations in Indiana which were discussed after review of the request. Motion to deny the request was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion carried 5-0.

Medical Exemptions

James Moraja- Motion to approve the request was made Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 5-0.

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

October Licensure Applications:

Funeral Director Only

Daisy Cox—Reciprocal

Keith Cox—Arnett & Steele Funeral Home & Cremation Center
McKenzie Justice—Thacker Memorial Funeral Home
Ashley Marvel—Newcomer Funeral Home
William Simpson—Harris Funeral Home

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Douglas Miracle—Hart Funeral Home
Samuel Ratterman—Ratterman Brothers, East Louisville
Presley Gaskin-Arch L Heady & Son Funeral Home & Cremation Services

Inspector's Report- Inspector Webb presented the attached report to the board. Motion to approve the report made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion carried 5-0.

Lazear Funeral Home- discussion over the continued failure to repair the facility was had. Motion was made Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Raymond for substantial steps to be made towards repairs of the building prior to October 15, 2024, if substantial steps aren't made the board will begin the process of closing facility. Motion carried 5-0.

Legal

Motion to enter executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810 made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Raymond, motion carried 5-0. Entered into executive session at 1:51 p.m.

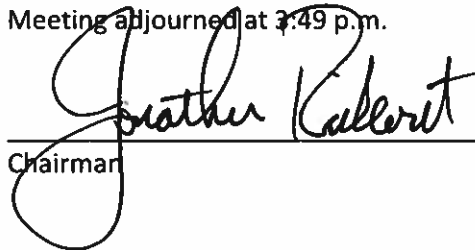
Motion to return to open session was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Raymond, motion approved 5-0. Board returned to open session at 2:11 p.m.

Motion to offer to resolve the complaint E.240306.01, Emmett Ratterman with a six-month suspension and a \$2,500.00.

Board discussed officer personnel with no action taken.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Raymond, motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.


Chairman

