# Kentucky Board of Embalmers & Funeral Directors

## **REGULAR MEETING**

Location:

10160 Linn Station Road, Louisville, Kentucky

Present:

Jonathan Rideout, Chairman

Robert Garner, member Ronald Raymond, member Roth Mason, Member

Kanetha Dorsey, Executive Director

Danielle Webb, Inspector John Blevins, General Counsel

Left During Meeting: Arrived during meeting:

Absent:

Jack "Sonny" Meyer, Vice-Chairman

# Tuesday, April 8-9, 2025

Call to Order- The Meeting was called to Order promptly by Chairman Rideout at 10:00a.m.

Motion to approve the minutes for March 2025 was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner, motion carried 4-0.

# **Inspector's Report**

Inspector Danielle Webb presented her report to the Board.

### **New Business**

Sworn Statement Actions Regulations Update

Explore regulation about bodies being refrigerated or embalmed within a set time frame to preserve the dignity of the deceased.

Discussed other funeral homes regulations for potential changes.

Executive Director Dorsey discussed sworn statements related to apprenticeships and issues that have arisen as a result of problems with the sworn statements.

Motion was made by Mr. Garner to add sworn statement violations into the fine schedule with calendar violations, motion seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion carried 4-0.

Board discussed abolishing oral examinations.

Motion for Executive Director Dorsey and Counsel Blevins to take all steps necessary including creating a scoring metric to secure a procurement contract for a hearing officer for the board was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 4-0.

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E.250113001 Hicks v. Houghlin Greenwell Funeral Home

Hawkins Taylor Funeral Home-John Hawkins Taylor came before the board for violations discovered by Inspector Webb. Mr. Raymond made a motion to resolve the complaint for the violations discovered by the Inspector with a \$1,500.00 to be paid on or before May 30, 2025. The motion was seconded by Mr. Garner and carried 4-0.

Motion to dismiss Complaint E.2501131.01 Hicks v. Houghlin Greenwell Funeral Home was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Mason, motion carried 4-0.

Motion to dismiss complaint E.250220.02 Calloway v. Dixon-Rogers/Advantage Funeral Home was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 4-0.

Chairman Rideout welcomed apprentice candidates.

Inspector Danielle Webb charged the apprentice candidates.

A motion to approve the below apprentices and approve the change in supervisors was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner, motion carried 4-0.

Apprenticeship
Funeral Director Only

Jamie Holton/Kenneth Cone—Cone Funeral Home, Bowling Green

### Dual

Jessica Brim/Roth Mason—Mason & Sons Funeral Home, Madisonville Mikayla Burns/Charlotte Schelle—Hampton Celebration of Life, London Brian Campbell/David Bell-Glenn Funeral Home, Owensboro Lindsey Fields/Selena Maggard—Mt. Pleasant Funeral Home, Harlan Lyndsey Hampton/Charlotte Schelle—Hampton Celebration of Life, London Caitlyn Hardin/Cassie Hale—Clark Legacy Center, Frankfort Cassandra Holton/Kenneth Cone—Cone Funeral Home, Bowling Green Parker McWilliams/John Whitsell—Whitsell Funeral Home, Morganfield

## **Change of Supervisor**

Theresa Valentin/Patrick O'Bryan—Owen Funeral Home, Louisville

## **Exemptions and Paper Requests:**

Board reviewed the applications for June exams:

### **June Examinations**

## **Funeral Director Only**

David King—House Rawlings Funeral Home, London

## Dual

Michael Johnston—Reciprocal, IN

Motion to allow Aaron Smith to sit for the laws exam to regain his license, since he has caught up his CEU's and his back dues, was made by Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 4-0.

Board discussed budget issues going on with the office.

Meeting recessed at 2:45 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025

10:00 LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS

2:00 SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND REMOVAL PERMIT COURSE

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm

Chairman