Kentucky Board of Embalmers & Funeral Directors

REGULAR MEETING **Hilton Lexington Downtown**

Bluegrass Room

January 14, 2025

Location: Present:

108 St. James St., Frankfort, KY Jonathan Rideout, Chairman

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

Kanetha Dorsey, Executive Director

Danielle Webb, Inspector John Blevins, General Counsel

Arrived during meeting:

None

Left meeting early:

Robert Garner was excused at 10:45 a.m.

Returned to meeting:

Robert Garner returned at 11:55 a.m.

Absent:

Jack "Sonny" Meyer, Vice-Chairman

Call to Order, the meeting was called to Order by Chairman Rideout at 10:13 a.m.

Approve Minutes-December, motion made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by MR. Mason, seconded by Mr. Garner to approve the following apprentices: VERIFIED SI

Apprenticeship

Dual:

Ashley Baker/Anthony Parada—Houghlin-Greenwell Funeral Home Monty Lee Cooper/Andrew Carpenter—Kerr Brothers Funeral Home Coty Sexton/Billy Oney—Young Funeral Home

Funeral Director Only

Karen Hanvy/Trudi Wilson—Harris Funeral Home

Embalmer Only

Dennis Dean Rowe II/Larry N. Wilson—Butler Funeral Home Amy Beth Wilson/Larry N. Wilson—Butler Funeral Home

Mr. Garner excused himself temporarily.

Inspector's Report

Inspector Danielle Webb presented her written report to the Board. Discussing inspection findings from the previous month.

Motion by Mr. Raymond to accept the inspector's report, seconded by Mr. Mason. Motion carried 3-0.

In Person Requests

Diann Cundiff—Hager & Cundiff Funeral Home—Ms. Cundiff addressed the board and purchased a new license for her embalmer to hang in the Funeral Home resolving the issues discovered by Inspector Webb.

Robert Garner returned at 11:55a.m.

Steve Miller—Mr. Miller spoke to the board about continued issues from the Cloverport Funeral Home issues, previously addressed by the board.

J. B. Ratterman & Sons Funerals & Family Cremation Care—Emmett Ratterman, Jr., General Counsel, John Blevins provided the board an update on the resolution of the matters against Ratterman.

Establishments

Motion to approve the establishment applications below was made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion carried 4-0.

Oldham, Roberts & Powell
Smith Funeral Chapel-moving from Full Service to Visitation Ceremonial

Exemptions and Paper Requests:

February Licensure Applications

Motion was made to approve the below licensure applications for February was made by Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. Garner motion carried 4-0.

Funeral Director Only

Anessa Cranston—Arch L. Heady at Resthaven

Funeral Director and Embalmer

Dylan Gambill—Arch L. Heady at Resthaven

New Business

Update on Regulations was provided by Executive Director Dorsey—Assigned to the Senate Standing Committee on Licensing, Occupations and Administrative Regulations and the House Standing Committee on Licensing, Occupations and Administrative Regulations

Legal

Active

E.240913.01 Benge v. James Catchen I—agreed order, should he come back—Motion to approve amended settlement agreement if accepted by Catchen before the end of business on January 14, 2025, if not accepted request hearing officer made by Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Garner abstained from the vote.

E.240306.01 Moore v. Ratterman & Sons and Anthony Oxendine

E.240923.01 Bi. Hinkel v. J. B. Ratterman & Sons & Family Cremation Care

E.240923.02 Bo. Hinkel v. J. B. Ratterman & Sons & Family Cremation Care. Motion to approve the amended settlement agreement for the Ratterman complaints was made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Mason. Motion carried 4-0.

I.241112.01 Board v. Rayla Lindon-Castle—Motion dismiss complaint Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion carried 4-0.

E.250108.01 Owens v. James Fender & Fender Funeral Home-Board voted to dismiss the complaint for failure to state violations was made by Mr. Garner, Seconded by Mr. Mason, motion carried 4-0.

Pending

B.231212.01 Board v. Garrett New—pending completion of payments
E.240419.01 Board v Barbourville Funeral Home—pending completion of payments
B.241112.01 Board v. Stephon Harris—pending 13B process

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Raymond, was seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 12:57p.m.

Chairman