

Kentucky Board of Embalmers & Funeral Directors

Louisville Marriott East

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REGULAR MEETING

Location: Louisville Marriott East, Louisville, KY.

Present: Jonathan Rideout, Chairman
Jack "Sonny" Meyer, Vice-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: None

Absent: None

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Meeting was called to order promptly at 10:00a.m. by Chairman Rideout

Approve Minutes-August 2025: Motion to approve with the addition of a notation that Kain and Kabler Funeral Home were invited and did not attend the meeting was made by Mr. Meyer and seconded by Mr. Mason. Motion carried 5-0.

A review Minutes from August 2021 and September 2021 as they were found to not be online, Board Member Raymond had retained copies. A motion to reapprove these minutes was made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Mason. Motion carried 5-0.

Inspector's Report- Inspector Danielle Webb presented her report to the Board.

10:45 Establishment

Kain & Kabler Funeral Home- Toni Curry and James Curry came to speak to the board about the inability of the inspector to view their facility, their failure to properly renew, and their conduct in speaking with office personnel. The Inspector and the Currys agreed to schedule the inspection for September 11, 2025 at 4:30p.m. to accommodate James Curry's work schedule as Court security. The Currys were notified that they needed to provide the office with a list of all funerals conducted between August 1, 2024 and August 1, 2025 by noon on September 10, 2025. Mrs. Curry confirmed the Funeral Home's proper phone number is (606) 724-5912.

Haley McGinniss came before the board about possibility of hosting an end of life expo to promote services and educate the community about what they offer and what other people in

the community offer to help people in this time of need in their life. It would be similar to a health fair type of function.

Meyers Funeral Home in Marion County came before the board regarding Danielle Webb's inspection of the facility. Mr. Meyer's is going to have an appropriate manager change submitted for the Embalming Manager before the October 2025 regular meeting. Mr. Meyer also agreed to provide list of all funerals conducted from August 1, 2024 until September 9, 2025 shall be provided to the office by noon on September 10, 2025.

Richard Childers came before the board about some transportation issues and he was informed that he needs to follow all laws and regulations.

Joey Ratterman became before the board with questions about purchasing Ratterman Funeral Home in what is called a limited asset sale.

Executive Session-Legal

Motion to enter into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j) made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion carried 5-0. Entered into executive session at 12:07p.m.

Motion to return to open session made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion carried returned to Open Session at 12:30p.m. with no action taken.

Motion to dismiss Complaint E.250805.01-Brown v. Betina Florence was Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 5-0.

-Person Requests

Emmett Ratterman, Jr.- came before the board asking to have his suspension listed. The Board took no action.

Taylor Scott-Requesting to complete her apprenticeship now and test early. The board was not able to take action on the request as the law doesn't allow it.

David Owen, Owen Funeral Home- Mr. Owen asked to speak to the board about catholic charities of America to run an indigent program without a funeral home. The Catholic Charities of America are using a "Coordinator" to conduct funerals/burials without a funeral home/license.

Chairman Rideout and Inspector Webb charged the new apprentices and supervisors. A motion to approve the below apprenticeships and change of supervisors was made by Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. Raymond. Motion carried 5-0.

Apprenticeship

Funeral Director Only

Chance Neace/Melissa Maggard—Maggard's Mtn View Chapel, Hazard

Melissa Catchen/Don Catchen I—Don Catchen Family Funeral Home, Elsmere
Jaclyn Haug/Anessa Cranston—Arch L. Heady at Resthaven, Louisville

Dual

Blayze Grubbs/Colby Joe Carver—Tucker Funeral Home, Central City
Haleigh Hamilton/AJ Schier—Linnemann Funeral Home, Erlanger
Maria Parker/Rachael Forsythe—Kentucky Mortuary Service, Lexington
Taylor Scott/Thomas Hemmerle—Barnett Strother Funeral Home & Crematory, Madisonville
Derrick Sumerel/Leigh Ann Dickerson-Lewis—Blackburn & Ward Funeral Home, Versailles

Change of Supervisor

Kari McCullough/Kenneth Fithen—Scobee Funeral Home, Winchester
Tyler Richter/Cody Shafer—Newcomer Cremations, Funerals & Reception, Louisville
Phillip Wilburn/Arch L. Heady at Resthaven—Arch L. Heady at Resthaven, Louisville

New Business

Establishments-All of the establishments have now renewed, several were late.

Office Update-Ms. Dorsey discussed possibility of employer paid leave through the board for the employees. Ms. Dorsey also gave updates on planning changes to add a testing/meeting room to the office location to allow meetings to be conducted at the office.

Motion to approve employer paid leave was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Garner.
Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to approve the expansion plan of the office to add a testing/meeting room was made by Mr. Garner, motion seconded Mr. Meyer. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to approve Paul Williams 70 and inactive was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Garner. Motion carried 5-0.

Christian Care Center- Moving locations and the board needs them to come to next meeting to explain their new arrangements and approval of license at new location.

Paper Requests

Gregory Goodin -6248—Medical Exemption was reviewed and no action was taken.

Cretia Nevitt-5546- Ms. Nevitt appeared before the board to request renew only her Funeral Directors License and to not renew her embalmers license. Motion to approve the request pending receipt the embalmer's license being surrendered to the office was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Mason. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to approve the below examinees to test was made by Mr. Raymond, seconded Mr. Mason. Motion carried 5-0.

Examinations

Dual

Hayden Allen—Reciprocal

Elizabeth Hammer—Bartley & Sons Funeral Home

Lauren Hill—Evergreen Funeral Home

Chelsea Kristen—TIES

Jordon Owens—Peoples Funeral Home

Mary Pinson—Evergreen Funeral Home

Funeral Director

Christina Ray—Filbeck Cann Funeral Home

James E. Cash II—Marin E. Owens Home for Funerals

Emily Manning—A. F. Crow & Son Funeral Home

Edward Spurlock—Nelson Frazier Funeral Home

Kristy Allen—Reciprocal

Monica Wier—Reciprocal

Landon Anderson—Reciprocal

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Mason. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 3:24p.m.


Chairman