



Mississippi Board of Examiners For Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists

Minutes for August 9, 2019 Board Meeting

The Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists (Board) held an Administrative Hearing for Complaint SW18-180, Paquita Landers, LCSW on Friday, August 9, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in Suite 761, on the 1st floor of the Jackson Medical Mall, 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS 39213. The regularly scheduled board meeting began soon after.

Members present were Jennifer Fulcher, LSW, Board Chair, Jamie Williams, LMFT, Chair MFT Discipline Specific Committee, Candace Riddley, LCSW, Chair SW Discipline Specific Committee, Beth Little, LCSW, Gerard Tarrant, LMFT, Sharon Adams, LMFT, Victoria Murdy, LCSW, Beth McNamee, LCSW, and Brenda Viverette, LSW. Also in attendance were Billy Dilworth, Executive Director, Attorney Brett B. May-Thompson, Gloria Green, Paquita Landers, Attorney Philip Hearn, Janice Sandefur, and Erica Allen. Absent from this meeting was Pamela Rollins, LMFT.

Jennifer Fulcher called the Administrative Hearing to order at 10:00 a.m.

A quorum of Board members were present. Attorney Brett B. May-Thompson was the presiding Hearing Officer.

A motion to go into a closed determination session to determine if the Board had reason to go into executive session was made by Candace Riddley and 2nd by Beth McNamee. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

CLOSED DETERMINATION

In closed determination session, a motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Beth McNamee that the Board had reason to go into executive session for the purpose of deliberating and discussing whether the subject of case number SW18-180 violated the laws, rules and regulations of social work licensure. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

After deliberation, A motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Beth Little that the Board revoke the license of Paquita Landers for a period of five (5) years and the cost.

incurred with the investigation and prosecution of this matter are assessed against Ms. Landers. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

A motion was made by Candace Riddley and 2nd by Brenda Viverette for the Board to come out of executive session. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

The Board resumed in open meeting and announced to the public the above described action taken by the Board in executive session.

A motion was made by Sharon Adams and 2nd by Beth McNamee to move voting and disciplinary actions to the beginning. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

Social Work Licensure Report: The following Social Work Candidates were presented for Licensure:

LSW Level

Madeline Beard
Alyssa Harris
LaQuita Thomas

The staff has recommended the above listed candidates for licensure at the LSW level on August 9, 2019. A motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Sharon Adams to approve these candidates for licensure at the LSW level, pending receipt of fees. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LSW Level by Reciprocity

There were no candidates presented at the LSW level by Reciprocity.

LMSW Level

Halecia Archie
Jenna Hopper

Tamra Walendzik
Hannah Benton
Nancy Swindle
Loretta Jackson
Tammy Matlock

The staff has recommended the above listed candidates for licensure at the LMSW level on August 9, 2019. A motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Sharon Adams to approve these candidates for licensure at the LMSW level. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LMSW Level by Reciprocity

Stephanie Gruber
Amanda Frye
Paige Karnick

The staff has recommended the above listed candidates for licensure at the LMSW level by Reciprocity on August 9, 2019. A motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Candace Riddley to approve these candidates for licensure at the LMSW level. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LCSW Level

David Singleton
Michael Schwan

The staff has recommended the above listed candidates for licensure at the LCSW level on August 9, 2019. A motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Sharon Adams to approve these candidates for licensure at the LCSW level. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LCSW Level by Reciprocity

David Nielsen
Velasquez Meyleen

The staff has recommended the above listed candidates for licensure at the LCSW level by Reciprocity on August 9, 2019. A motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Candace Riddley to approve these candidates for licensure at the LCSW level by Reciprocity. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LSW Reinstatements

McKasher Holts

The staff has recommended the above listed candidate for LSW reinstatement on August 9, 2019. A motion was made by Brenda Viverette and 2nd by Sharon Adams to approve this candidate for LSW reinstatement. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LMSW Reinstatements

There were no candidates presented for LMSW reinstatement.

LCSW Reinstatements

There were no candidates presented for LCSW reinstatement.

Marriage and Family Therapy Licensure Report: The following candidate(s) were presented for licensure at the LMFT and/or LMFTA level:

LMFTA Licensure

There were no candidates presented for LMFTA licensure.

LMFT Licensure

There were no candidates presented for LMFT licensure.

LMFT Licensure by Endorsement

There were no candidates presented for LMFT licensure by Endorsement.

LMFT Reinstatements

There were no candidates presented for LMFT reinstatement.

A motion was made by Sharon Adams and 2nd by Brenda Viverette to discuss the rules and regulations and financial report next month. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

A motion was made by Sharon Adams and 2nd by Candace Riddley to approve the changes to the rules and regulations. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Brenda Viverette, Jamie Williams, Gerard Tarrant, Beth Little, Victoria Murdy, and Beth McNamee; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

Executive Director Report:

❖ There was no report given.

Expenditure Report:

Billy Dilworth, Executive Director, reviewed the Expenditure Report. Fiscal Year 2020 Fund Balances as of July 31, 2019 are: Monthly Expenditures- \$14,556.27; Carryover – \$290,913.00; and Ending Balance - \$290,176.73. A copy of the report is attached.

Voting will be done next Board meeting.

Complaints File Report:

Billy Dilworth discussed the Complaints File Report, updating the Board on the status of pending complaints and investigations. A copy of the report is attached.

❖ There was no report given.

Chair of the Board Report:

❖ There was no report given.

MFT Report:

❖ There was no report given.

SW Report:

❖ There was no report given.

Board Members Report:

- ❖ There was no report given.

Committee Reports:

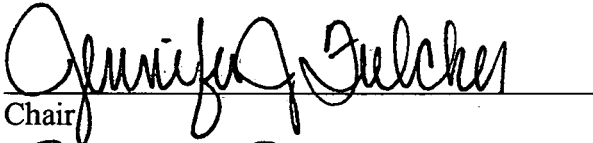
- ❖ Continuing Education:
 - ♦ SW Continuing Education offerings: There were no offerings submitted.
 - ♦ MFT Continuing Education offerings: There were no offerings submitted.

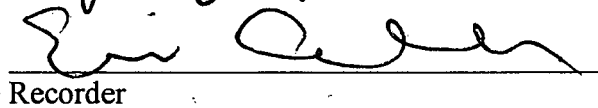
Reports from NASW:

- ❖ There was no report given.

The Board adjourned the regular board meeting business to committee work.

The next Board meeting will be held September 13, 2019, in Suite 761 on the 1st floor of the Jackson Medical Mall, 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS 39213 at 10:30 a.m.


Chair


Recorder

AGENDA
Mississippi Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists

"Protect the Public"
August 9, 2019

10:00 a.m.

- I. Administrative Hearing
- II. Convene Meeting: Opening Comments
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Review Minutes and Agenda
- V. Executive Director Report
 - a. Financial Report
 - b. Disciplinary Actions
 - i. New Complaints
 - ii. Reports on Current Investigations
 - iii. Reports on Disciplined Licensees' Progress

- VI. Board Chair Report
- VII. MFT Chair Report
- VIII. SW Chair Report
- IX. Legal Counsel Report
- X. Committee Reports
- XI. Board Member Reports
- XII. Licensure Votes
 - a. Social Work
 - b. MFT

- XIII. Follow-Up Responsibilities

Action Needed	Responsible Party	Report Date

- XIV. Closing Comments & Adjourn to Committee Work

All Public Comments Must Be Submitted to the Board Chair for Inclusion in Meeting

MMS Board of Examiners for Social Workers/Marriage Family Therapists

FY 2019 MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT				FY 2020											
				July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
PERSONAL SERVICES															
Salaries & Fringe Benefits			\$ 13,405.59												
Travel			\$ 506.47												
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES															
Employee Training			\$ -												
Postage, Box Rent			\$ -												
Promotional Expenses/Exhibits, Displays)			\$ -												
Rent			\$ -												
Office Equipment Rental			\$ -												
Personnel Services Contracts			\$ -												
ITS Fees			\$ -												
MMRS Fees			\$ -												
Court Reporter			\$ -												
Liability Insurance			\$ -												
Fidelity Bonds			\$ -												
Membership Dues			\$ 250.00												
Public Network Access Charges			\$ 128.09												
Cellular			\$ -												
Total Contractual Services			\$ 378.09												
COMMODITIES															
Printing & Binding			\$ -												
Office Supplies			\$ -												
Paper Supplies			\$ -												
Other Supplies			\$ -												
Other Equipment			\$ -												
Procurement Card			\$ 266.12												
Food For Board Meetings			\$ -												
Total Commodities			\$ 266.12												
EQUIPMENT															
Office Machines/Furniture			\$ -												
Total Equipment			\$ -												
Total Monthly Expenditures				\$ 14,556.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Monthly Revenue				\$ 13,820.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Prior YR Revenue				\$ 10,783.80	\$ 30,977.90	\$ 40,005.00	\$ 29,649.95	\$ 6,395.00	\$ 3,070.00	\$ 9,220.00	\$ 8,971.95	\$ 63,785.69	\$ 50,635.00	\$ 29,590.00	\$ 11,675.00

COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT AS OF 8/9/2019

CASE #	DATE OF ORIGIN	ASSIGNED TO	DATE ASSIGNED	ASSIGNED TO INVESTIGATOR	INVESTIGATION COMPLETED	REPORT TO BOARD	STATUS/NOTES
SW17-161	3/22/2017	LITTLE	reassigned 9/14/18			12/14/2018	Informal Settlement Offer.
SW17-168	8/16/2017	MURDY	8/18/2017				Revising Consent Order
SW18-171	1/8/2018	LITTLE	1/12/2018			12/14/2018	Informal Settlement Offer
SW18-177	7/17/2018	MURDY	8/10/2018				
MFT8-178	7/17/2018	TARRANT	8/10/2018				
SW18-180	8/10/2018	VIVERETTE	9/14/2018				Hearing 8/9/19
SW18-182	10/9/2018	RIDDLEY	10/12/2018				
SW18-183	12/6/2018	MURDY	12/14/2018				
SW18-184	12/6/2018	MURDY	12/14/2018				
SW19-188	3/18/2019	MURDY	4/12/2019			5/24/2019	Informal Conference
SW19-189	4/8/2019	LITTLE	4/12/2019				
SW19-190	4/8/2019	FULCHER	5/24/2019				
SW19-191	5/8/2019	VIVERETTE	5/24/2019				
SW19-193	6/10/2019	MCNAMEE	7/12/2019				
SW19-194	6/13/2019	LITTLE	7/12/2019				
SW19-195	7/12/2019	MURDY	7/12/2019				

DISCIPLINED LICENSEES' PROGRESS REPORT AS OF 8/9/2019

Licensee Name, #, Case #	License expiration date	Assigned To	Disciplinary action details	Probationary Period	1 Report completed	2 Report completed	3 Report completed	4 Report completed	Probation Completion Date
Chris Huff, C5077 SW15-151	4/30/2021	Murdy	3 yr. probation, \$3000.00 fine. Paid \$1000.00 on 3/14/2017, Paid \$1,000.00 3/4/2018. Paid \$1,000.00 on 3/14/19. Fine paid in full. Informal Hearing has been requested in relation to additional filed complaint SW19-188	3 yrs beginning 4/8/2017	4/30/2018	9/26/2018			
Stark Farrell, C6287 SW16-157	4/30/2019	Riddley	3yr. probation, \$3,000.00 fine (Revising consent order)	3 yrs. Beginning 5/11/18					

**Mississippi Board of Examiners
For**

**Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists
Candidates for Licensure-August 09, 2019**

LSW Level

Name	Photo	School	Degree	Score	DARS	Background
Madeline Beard	Yes	MC	BSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Alyssa Harris	Yes	MSU	BSW	P	N	07/16/2019
LaQuita Thomas	Yes	MVSU	BSW	P	N	07/02/2019

LMSW Level

Name	Photo	School	Degree	Score	DARS	Background
Halecia Archie	Yes	JSU	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Jenna Hopper	Yes	WU	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Tamra Walendzik	Yes	UTN	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Hannah Benton	Yes	USM	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Nancy Swindle	Yes	USM	MSW	P	N	04/04/2019
Loretta Jackson	Yes	JSU	MSW	P	N	07/02/2019
Tammy Matlock	Yes	USM	MSW	P	N	06/05/2019

Reciprocity By LMSW Level

Name	Photo	School	Degree	Score	DARS	Background
Stephanie Gruber	Yes	BU	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Amanda Frye	Yes	UTN	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Paige Karnick	Yes	HU	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019

LCSW Level

Name	Photo	School	Degree	Score	DARS	Background
David Singleton	Yes	USM	MSW	P	N	06/17/2019
Michael Schwan	Yes	USM	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019

Reciprocity By LCSW Level

Name	Photo	School	Degree	Score	DARS	Background
David Nielsen	Yes	LSU	MSW	P	N	07/16/2019
Velasquez Meyleen	Yes	FIU	MSW	P	N	04/04/2019

**Mississippi Board of Examiners
For**

**Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists
Candidates for Reinstatement-August 09, 2019**

LSW Level

Name	R/A	RI/A	BG	License #	Addition Info	Yes/No
McKasher Holts	Yes	Yes	06/07/19	W5639		

LMSW Level

Name	R/A	RI/A	BG	License #	Addition Info	Yes/No

LCSW Level

Name	R/A	RI/A	BG	License #	Addition Info	Yes/No