



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

Minutes for August 13, 2021 Board Meeting

The Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists (Board) held a Board meeting on Friday, August 13, 2021, at 11:30 a.m. in Suite 761, on the 1st floor of the Jackson Medical Mall, 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS 39213.

Members present were Candace Riddley, LCSW, Board Chair, Jamie Williams, LMFT, Chair MFT Discipline Specific Committee, Beth McNamee, LCSW, Chair SW Discipline Specific Committee, Gerard Tarrant, LMFT, Jennifer Fulcher, LSW, Valerie Joiner, LCSW, Krista Guynes, LCSW, Erin Pittman, LSW, and Sharon Adams, LMFT. Also in attendance were Edward Wiggins, Gwen Bouie-Haynes, Executive Director NASW-MS, Erica Allen, Executive Director, Britney Mangum, and Tina Johnson. Absent from this meeting was Pamela Rollins, LMFT

Candace Riddley called the regularly scheduled Board meeting to order at 11:57 a.m. A quorum of Board members was present.

A motion was made by Jamie Williams and 2nd by Jennifer Fulcher to approve the agenda and the July 2021 minutes with corrections. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

Reports from NASW:

❖ There was no report given.

Expenditure Report:

Erica Allen reviewed the Expenditure Report. Fiscal Year 2021 Fund Balances as of July 31, 2021 are: Monthly Expenditures - \$8,173.60; Carryover - \$385,952.00; and Ending Balance - \$414,456.40. A copy of the report is attached.

A motion was made by Jamie Williams and 2nd by Sharon Adams to accept the Expenditure Report for July 31, 2021. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

Complaints File Report:

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

- ❖ The subject of SW19-198 has decided not to proceed with a formal hearing and has accepted the informal offer.
- ❖ Case number SW21-222 has been assigned to Beth McNamee.

Executive Director Report:

- ❖ Candace Riddley announced the newly appointed Executive Director to the Board, Erica Allen.

Chair of the Board Report:

- ❖ A motion was made by Jennifer Fulcher and 2nd by Jamie Williams to purchase equipment for video conferencing and a purifying system due to COVID. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.
- ❖ The Board discussed House Bill 1263 and Senate Bill 2420.

MFT Report:

- ❖ Jamie Williams discussed the MFTDSC meetings on moving forward with the implementation of changes in response to Senate Bill 2420 and House Bill 1263.
- ❖ There have been no new permits issued; twenty-one (21) emergency permits approved for marriage and family therapy.

SW Report:

- ❖ Beth McNamee congratulated Erica Allen as the newly appointed Executive Director for MBOE.
- ❖ Beth McNamee discussed SWDSC meetings regarding upcoming changes in response to Senate Bill 2420 and House Bill 1263.
- ❖ Governor Tate Reeves announced that the emergency proclamation will be extended for 30 days, now expiring September 15, 2021.
- ❖ There have been no new permits issued; there have been a total of eighty-one (81) emergency permits approved.

Board Members Report:

- ❖ No report was given.

Committee Reports:

- ❖ There were no reports given.

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

LSW Level

Mikala Turner
Alandria Moore
Breanna McQuirter
Casey Kitchens
Shakia Fleming

The staff has recommended the above listed candidate for licensure at the LSW level on August 13, 2021. A motion was made by Erin Pittman and 2nd by Sharon Adams to approve these candidates for licensure at the LSW level. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LSW Level by Reciprocity

There were no candidates presented for licensure at the LSW level.

LSW Reinstatements

Kizzie Miller

The staff has recommended the above listed candidate for reinstatement at the LSW level on August 13, 2021. A motion was made by Erin Pittman and 2nd by Jamie Williams to approve this candidate for reinstatement at the LSW level. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LMSW Level

Alicia Johnson
Tasha McCon
Lisa Ramsey
LaTrenda Stephens
Sarah Harrell
Jessica Flemings
Julia Meiman
Tiffany Cole
Ida Partee
Dominique Hardaway
Amy Sharp
Chelsea Williams
Christian Thedford
Memoree Burge
Elizabeth Becker
Naquitta Moore
Kaitlin Hermes
Heather Tucker
Haylee Morse
Samantha Minyard
Aysia Warner
Monique Giles
Erin Jackson

The staff has recommended the above listed candidates for licensure at the LMSW level on August 13, 2021. A motion was made by Erin Pittman and 2nd by Jamie Williams to approve these candidates for licensure at the LMSW level. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LMSW Level by Reciprocity

Lauren Robinson
Mallory Williams
Karen Jahn

The staff has recommended the above listed candidate for licensure at the LMSW level by reciprocity on August 13, 2021. A motion was made by Erin Pittman and 2nd by Jamie Williams to approve this candidate for licensure at the LMSW level by reciprocity. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LMSW Reinstatements

Alleta McBride
Victoria Herron

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LCSW Level

Hannah Echols
Erin McCurdy
Laura Gillom

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LCSW Level by Reciprocity

Cecile Tebo
Andrias Lowe
Karole Blake-Shorter
Suzanne Campiche
Kathryn Walker
Belinda Hardy
Alison Johnston
Danielle Williams-Omoruyi
Shelley Jones
Pamela Geraghty

The staff has recommended the above listed candidate for licensure at the LCSW level by Reciprocity on August 13, 2021. A motion was made by Erin Pittman and 2nd by Jamie Williams to approve these candidates for licensure at the LCSW level by Reciprocity. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Krista Guynes, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins.

LCSW Reinstatements

There were no candidates presented for reinstatement at the LCSW level.

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 to go into a closed determination session to determine if the Board had reason to go into executive session was made by Sharon Adams and 2nd by Jamie Williams. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins and Krista Guynes.

A motion was made by Jamie Williams and 2nd by Sharon Adams that the Board had reason to go into executive session for the purpose of deliberating and discussing case number MFT20-208, the order of discipline for violation of marriage and family therapy laws, rules, and regulations, which deliberation could lead to appeal of the Board's order or litigation against the Board and to vote on the position of executive director. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins and Krista Guynes.

The Board announced to the public the above desired reason for going into executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Sharon Adams and 2nd by Beth McNamee to dismiss case number MFT20-208 with an advisory letter. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman,

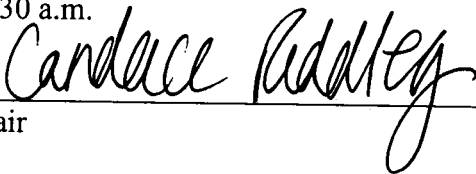
Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: Jamie Williams; Absence: Pamela Rollins and Krista Guynes.

A motion was made by Sharon Adams and 2nd by Jamie Williams for the board to come out of executive session. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins and Krista Guynes.


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 Jamie Williams to adjourn regular board meeting business to committee work. The motion carried unanimously with the following members voting aye: Candace Riddley, Jamie Williams, Sharon Adams, Jennifer Fulcher, Erin Pittman, Valerie Joiner, Beth McNamee, and Gerard Tarrant; Voting Against: None; Abstention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Pamela Rollins and Krista Guynes.

The next Board meeting will be held September 10, 2021, 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 13, 2021

11:30 a.m.

- I. Convene Meeting: Opening Comments
- II. Public Comments
- III. Review Minutes and Agenda
- IV. Executive Director Report
 - a. Financial Report
 - b. Disciplinary Actions
 - i. New Complaints
 - ii. Reports on Current Investigations
 - iii. Reports on Disciplined Licensees' Progress
- V. Board Chair Report
 - a. House Bill 1263
 - b. Senate Bill 2420
- VI. MFT Chair Report
- VII. SW Chair Report
 - a. Search Committee
- VIII. Legal Counsel Report
- IX. Committee Reports
- X. Board Member Reports
 - a. Emergency Permits
 - b. Emergency Proclamation
- XI. Licensure Votes
 - a. Social Work
 - b. MFT
- XII. Follow-Up Responsibilities

Action Needed	Responsible Party	Report Date

- XIII. Closing Comments & Adjourn to Committee Work

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

MIS Board of Examiners for Social Workers/Marriage Family Therapists

FY 2022 MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT										FY 2022	AS OF JULY 31, 2021					
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June				
PERSONAL SERVICES																
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	\$ 6,925.48															
Travel	\$ 103.04															
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES																
Employee Training																
Postage, Box Rent																
Promotional Expenses(Exhibits, Displays)																
Rent																
Office Equipment Rental																
Personal Service Contracts	\$ 1,022.29															
ITS Fees	\$ 71.06															
MMRS Fees																
Court Reporter																
Liability Insurance																
Fidelity Bonds																
Membership Dues																
Public Network Access Charges																
Cellular	\$ 51.73															
Total Contractual Services	\$ 1,145.08	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
COMMODITIES																
Printing & Binding																
Office Supplies																
Paper Supplies																
Other Supplies																
Other Equipment																
Procurement Card																
Food For Board Meetings																
Total Commodities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
EQUIPMENT																
Office Machines/Furniture																
Total Equipment																
Total Monthly Expenditures	\$ 8,173.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
Monthly Revenue	\$ 36,678.00															
Prior YR Revenue	\$ 13,356.00	\$ 37,041.00	\$ 47,668.46	\$ 29,667	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 26,427.00	\$ 3,261.24	\$ 64,284.00	\$ 75,291.00	\$ 10,780.00	\$ 27,950.95				

Board of Examiners Cumulative Report				FY 2022	AS OF JULY 31, 2021
	Actual	Projected	Difference	Percent	
PERSONAL SERVICES					
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	\$ 6,925.48	\$ 165,376.00	\$ 158,450.52	4%	FUND BALANCE
Travel	\$ 103.04	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 11,896.96	1%	Carryover funds from prior FY2021
					\$ 385,952.00
					Revenue
					\$ 36,678.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES					
Employee Training	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0%	Cumulative Expenditures
Postage, box rent	\$ -	\$ 4,450.00	\$ 4,450.00	0%	Ending Balance
Promotional Expenses (exhibits, displays)	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	0%	Unencumbered Revenue
Rent	\$ -	\$ 24,894.00	\$ 24,894.00	0%	
Office Equipment Rental	\$ -	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	0%	
Personnel Service Contracts	\$ 1,022.29	\$ 31,915.00	\$ 30,892.71	3%	
ITS Fees	\$ 71.06	\$ 1,375.00	\$ 1,303.94	5%	
MMRS Fees	\$ -	\$ 6,138.00	\$ 6,138.00	0%	
Court Reporter	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00	0%	
Liability Insurance	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	0%	
Fidelity Bonds	\$ -	\$ 345.00	\$ 345.00	0%	
Membership Dues	\$ -	\$ 1,889.00	\$ 1,889.00	0%	
Public Network Access Charges	\$ -	\$ 1,574.00	\$ 2,000.00	0%	
Cellular	\$ 51.73	\$ 650.00	\$ 598.27	8%	
Total Contractual Services	\$ 1,145.08	\$ 77,981.00	\$ 76,835.92	1%	
COMMODITIES					
Printing & Binding	\$ -	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	0%	
Office Supplies	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0%	
Paper Supplies	\$ -	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	0%	
Other Supplies	\$ -	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	0%	
Other Equipment	\$ -	\$ 624.00	\$ 624.00	0%	
Procurement Card	\$ -	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 2,750.00	0%	
Food For Board Meetings	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0%	
Total Commodities	\$ -	\$ 5,877.00	\$ 5,877.00	0%	
EQUIPMENT					
Office Machines/Furniture	\$ -	\$ 2,270.00	\$ 2,270.00	0%	
Total Equipment	\$ -	\$ 2,270.00	\$ 2,270.00	0%	
Total Expenditures	\$ 8,173.60	\$ 263,504.00	\$ 255,330.40	3%	

COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT AS OF 08/13/2021

CASE #	DATE OF ORIGIN	ASSIGNED TO	DATE ASSIGNED	ASSIGNED TO INVESTIGATOR	INVESTIGATION COMPLETED	REPORT TO BOARD	STATUS/NOTES
SW17-161*	3/22/2017	FULCHER	reassigned 9/14/18			12/14/2018	Accepted Informal Offer
SW19-190	4/8/2019	FULCHER	5/24/2019				Accepted Informal Offer
SW19-198	9/25/2019	MCNAMEE	10/11/2019				Accepted Informal Offer
MFT19-203	12/9/2019	ROLLINS	12/13/2019				
MFT19-204	12/17/2019	TARRANT	1/10/2020				
MFT20-208	4/1/2020	WILLIAMS	5/8/2020				
SW20-210	7/10/2020	MCNAMEE	7/10/2020				
SW20-211	7/24/2020	RIDDLEY	8/14/2020				
SW20-212	7/31/2020	FULCHER	8/14/2020				
SW20-213	8/17/2020	GUYNES	9/11/2020				
SW20-214	10/5/2020	FULCHER	10/9/2020				
SW21-216	1/21/2021	RIDDLEY	2/12/2021				
MFT21-217	2/9/2021	ADAMS	2/21/2021				
SW21-218	3/3/2021	RIDDLEY	3/12/2021				
SW21-219	5/3/2021	Guynes	5/14/2021				
SW21-220	5/21/2021	RIDDLEY	6/9/2021				
SW21-221	5/21/2021	JOINER	6/9/2021				

DISCIPLINED LICENSEES' PROGRESS REPORT AS OF 08/13/2021

Licensee Name, #, Case #	License expiration date	Assigned To	Disciplinary action details	Probationary Period	Report completed				Probation Completion Date
					1	2	3	4	
Chris Huff, C5077 SW15-151	4/30/2023	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 Conference 11-8-19 in relation to additional filed complaint SW19-188 12/13/2019 Board voted to request additional info Administrative Hearing May 14, 2021 12 months' probation, quarterly supervised reports	3 yrs beginning 4/8/2017	4/30/2018	9/26/2018 1/21/19	5-21-20	8/3/20	
Paul McCollough, W3236 SW17-161	9/30/2022	n/a	Stipulation and Consent Order, Probation for a period of twelve (12) months, six (6) additional hours professional ethics	pending					
Shirley Falvey, C6791 SW17-168	4/30/2023	Murdy	Stipulation and Consent Order, Probation for a period of eighteen (18) months, \$1,000.00 fine	10/21/2020					
Meissa Ratliff, C5772 SW18-171	4/30/2022	n/a	Probation for a period of twenty-four (24) months; Supervision privileges revoked, \$458.00 administrative fine	5/12/2021					
Holly Regan, C7870 SW18-183/184	4/30/2022	Murdy	Fine paid in full on 6/9/2021: \$458.00 fine CK 3173 6/14/2021 Stipulation and Consent Order; Probation for a period of thirty-six (36) months, \$3000.00 fine	8/13/2021 -					
Terrence Skidmore, C8764 SW19-201	4/30/2022	Riddley	Consent Order, three (3) year probation, \$500.00 fine Fine paid in full on 6/9/2021: \$500.00 fine CC 0451963312 5/21/2021	4/22/2021					
Alicia Danley, M6813 SW19-194	4/30/2021 EXPIRED	n/a	She never signed or accepted the Informal Offer. Her license is expired.						
Stark Farrell, C6287 SW16-157	4/30/2019 EXPIRED	Riddley	3yr. probation, \$3,000.00 fine, license expired 3 yrs. Beginning 5/1/18						