



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

Minutes for March 18, 2020 Board Meeting

The Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists (Board) held a "special call board meeting" on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in Suite 761, on the 1st floor of the Jackson Medical Mall, 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS 39213.

Jennifer Fulcher called the regularly scheduled Board meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. A quorum of Board members were present.

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

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

A motion was made by Jamie Williams and 2nd by Candace Riddley to accept the proclamation regarding Telehealth/technology and practice for SW and MFT. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Pamela Rollins, Candace Riddley, Beth McNamee, Beth Little, Sharon Adams, Jamie Williams, Brenda Viverette, and Victoria Murdy; Voting Against: None; Absention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Gerard Tarrant.

A motion was made by Sharon Adams and 2nd by Candace Riddley to accept the proclamation regarding marriage and family therapist students completing their practicum hours in Part 1903, Rule 2.2, C, 1 and Part 1903, Rule 2.2, E, 3. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Pamela Rollins, Candace Riddley, Beth McNamee, Beth Little, Sharon Adams, Jamie Williams, Brenda Viverette, and Victoria Murdy; Voting Against: None; Absention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Gerard Tarrant.

A motion was made by Candace Riddley and 2nd by Jamie Williams to approve the proclamation regarding LMSW supervision face-to-face, Part 1902, Rule 2.3, E, 2c and for LMFTA supervision face-to-face, Part 1903, Rule 1.2, N, providing an alternate

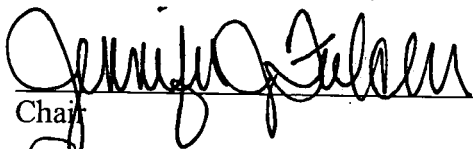
means such as Skype, Zoom, etc. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Pamela Rollins, Candace Riddley, Beth McNamee, Beth Little, Sharon Adams, Jamie Williams, Brenda Viverette, and Victoria Murdy; Voting Against: None; Absention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Gerard Tarrant.

A motion was made by Victoria Murdy and 2nd by Candace Riddley to approve the proclamation to approve social workers to obtain 40 hours from distance learning in lieu of face-to-face hours, in Part 1902, Rule 4.1, D, 7. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Pamela Rollins, Candace Riddley, Beth McNamee, Beth Little, Sharon Adams, Jamie Williams, Brenda Viverette, and Victoria Murdy; Voting Against: None; Absention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Gerard Tarrant.

A motion was made by Pamela Rollins and 2nd by Jamie Williams to approve the proclamation to marriage and family therapist to obtain four ethics hours from distance learning in lieu of face-to-face hours, in Part 1903, Rule 4.1, B and Rule 4.1, E, 5. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Pamela Rollins, Candace Riddley, Beth McNamee, Beth Little, Sharon Adams, Jamie Williams, Brenda Viverette, and Victoria Murdy; Voting Against: None; Absention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Gerard Tarrant.

A motion was made by Beth McNamee and 2nd by Jamie Williams to approve the proclamation regarding social work licensure in Mississippi of out-of-state practitioners practicing during an emergency, Part 1902, Rule 2.6, C. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following members voting aye: Jennifer Fulcher, Pamela Rollins, Candace Riddley, Beth McNamee, Beth Little, Sharon Adams, Jamie Williams, Brenda Viverette, and Victoria Murdy; Voting Against: None; Absention: None; Recusal: None; Absence: Gerard Tarrant.

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



Chair



Recorder

NOTICE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mississippi Board of Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists(Board) will hold a **SPECIAL CALLED MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE** on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, beginning at 4:00 p.m. Pursuant to the state of emergency declared by Governor Tate Reeves by Proclamation dated March 14, 2020, the meeting is being held to consider and authorize the temporary suspension or modification of any Board rule or regulation that may prevent, hinder or delay access to needed mental healthcare to the people in Mississippi or to the ability of licensees to renew or applicants to obtain a license during this time of emergency. Pursuant to Section 25-41-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972; as amended, the Committee may vote to enter into executive session to transact business.

THE MEETING WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC ATTENDANCE at the Mississippi Board of Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists, Suite 761, 350 W. Woodrow Wilson Avenue, Jackson, MS 39213 where an agenda will be made available to the public.

Date: March 18, 2020

**Jennifer Fulcher, LSW
Chairperson**