

**Regular Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2022,  
as Revised March 21, 2022**

I. Welcome and Call to Order

The Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology regular scheduled meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 28, 2022. The following members of the Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology were present:

Hilda Bills, Member  
Debbie Coker, Chairman  
Warren Rossi, Secretary  
Jewel Stewart, Vice-Chairman

Members Absent:

Dorothy Ennis, Member – Due to Illness

Also present was:

Pete Cajoleas, Special Assistant Attorney General / Counsel for the Board  
Ruby Lowery, Interim Executive Director  
Denise De Rossette, MSBC Fiscal Agent / Consultant  
Porsha Welch, Senior Licensing Agent  
Libby Cajoleas, Cornerstone Consultant  
Lisa Daniels  
Vanessa Myers  
Dr. Lakisha Johnson-Peten  
Melvin Calton

II. Agenda Request

President Coker advised that the Board would consider the Agenda Request for a special candidate for enrollment. The motion was made by Jewel Stewart approve the special candidate for enrollment. A second was provided by Hilda Bills. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi
Aye – Jewel Stewart	

III. Discussion of the Prior Board Meeting Minutes

The motion was made by Warren Rossi to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for November 22, 2021, December 13, 2021, January 31, 2022, February 7, 2022, February 11, 2022 and February 14, 2022. A second was provided by Hilda Bills. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi
Aye – Jewel Stewart	

The motion was made by Jewel Stewart to approve the corrected Board Meeting Minutes of October, 2021 as it was previously reflected as a Special Called Board Meeting and it was the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting. A second was provided by Warren Rossi. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi
Aye – Jewel Stewart	

IV. Report of Officers

A. Chairman

Chairman Coker had no special business to come before the Board.

B. Vice-President

Vice-President Stewart had no special business to come before the Board.

C. Secretary/Treasurer

Secretary Rossi turned the meeting over to Denise De Rossette, MSBC Fiscal Agent for financial reporting. Ms. De Rossette provided a full financial update which required no board action.

V. MS Cosmetology Council (73-7-7 (1))

Mr. Melvin Calton provided an informational update regarding the MS Cosmetology Council. Jewel Stewart made the recommendation to appoint a committee to discuss the provisions of 73-7-7 (1). The committee shall include (2) board members, one (1) legal representative, and one (1) members. Jewel Stewart made the motion to appoint committee members Debbie Coker, Warren Rossi and Melvin Calton with AG Attorney Pete Cajoleas as an advisory member. A second was provided by Hilda Bills. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi
Aye – Jewel Stewart	

VI. Report of Counsel

Special Assistant Attorney General Pete Cajoleas provided an update regarding upcoming activities relative to the MSBC. No board action required.

VII. Executive Director's Report

A. License Considerations Requiring Board Action

President Coker stated that the board would consider a request by Dr. Lakisha Johnson-Peten (The Beauty College). Interim Executive Director Ruby Lowery and Jewel Stewart Vice Chairman indicated that the space would be sufficient if all three (3) programs were not running at consecutive time. Dr. Johnson-Peten advised that she had changed her school hours. After discussion by the Board, the motion was made by Warren Rossi to approve the addition of an Esthetics and Manicuring Program for day programs and cosmetology at night. Hilda Bills provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi



Aye – Hilda Bills  
Absent – Dorothy Ennis  
Aye – Jewel Stewart

Aye – Debbie Coker  
Aye – Warren Rossi

E. Global Max Consulting

Jewel Stewart made the motion to amend the contract to not exceed \$20,000. Mr. Felipe Zuliage is only available after hours and on weekends. Hilda Bills provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills  
Absent – Dorothy Ennis  
Aye – Jewel Stewart

Aye – Debbie Coker  
Aye – Warren Rossi

F. 2022 Legislative Update

Counsel Cajoleas provided an update regarding SB2087 which would require that board meeting be conducted via video livestreaming applications on the front page of the official agency website, to require information to be included in all public notices and to provide that any action taken by such a public body failing to comply with livestreaming requirements is void and of no effect. This bill is in the House Appropriations Committee due to the cost that would be incurred by agencies.

SB 2083 has passed the Senate and is in the House for consideration. This bill would require that a member of the Legislative Advisory Committee be allowed to stay during Agency Executive Session.

G. DataLynks Maintenance Agreement

The motion was made to reinstate the maintenance agreement for physical year 2022 to not exceed \$11,150. Jewel Stewart provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills  
Absent – Dorothy Ennis  
Aye – Jewel Stewart

Aye – Debbie Coker  
Aye – Warren Rossi

H. Charles M. Case, Jr.

Denise De Rossette ask the Board if it was acceptable to close the purchase order for consultant Charles M. Case, Jr. The Board instructed Ms. De Rosette to close the purchase order effective immediately. No motion required in this matter.

The motion was made by Hilda Bills to recess for lunch at 12:34 p.m. for 45 minutes. Jewel Stewart provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills  
Absent – Dorothy Ennis  
Aye – Jewel Stewart

Aye – Debbie Coker  
Aye – Warren Rossi

The motion was made by Jewel Stewart to return from recess at 1:18 p.m. A second was provided by Hilda Bills. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills  
Absent – Dorothy Ennis  
Aye – Jewel Stewart

Aye – Debbie Coker  
Aye – Warren Rossi

IX. New Business

A. Annual Report

The motion was made by Jewel Stewart to accept the Annual Report to the Governor. A second was provided by Hilda Bills. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi
Aye – Jewel Stewart	

B. Fiscal Year 2023 Contract/Agreements

Denise De Rossette advised that contracts would be available for discussion and approval at the March 21, 2022 meeting. No motion required.

C. CEU Hours for Premiere Orlando

The motion was made by Hilda Bills to approve premiere Orlando Hair Show, Sunday through Monday, for 7 hours each day. Certificates from special classes for instructors for methods of teaching will be accepted. Jewel Stewart provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi
Aye – Jewel Stewart	

D. Per Diem Policy

The motion was made by Warren Rossi to recommend having a committee for policy for travel and expenses. Hilda Bills provided a second to appoint Ruby Lowery, Warren Rossi and Jewel Stewart. The vote was, as follows:

Aye – Hilda Bills	Aye – Debbie Coker
Absent – Dorothy Ennis	Aye – Warren Rossi
Aye – Jewel Stewart	

E. The motion was made by Warren Rossi to accept the statement of Military orders from Mr. Paul Leray's Commander on behalf of his wife Mariana

Gerhard Leray to qualify for Military Reciprocity. Hilda bills provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

Aye - Hilda Bills  
Absent - Dorothy Ennis  
Aye - Jewel Stewart

Aye - Debbie Coker  
Aye - Warren Rossi

X. Hearings  
No hearings to come before the Board this date.

XI. Adjournment:  
The motion was made by Hilda Bills to adjourn the meeting at 2:06 p.m. A second was provided by Jewel Stewart. The vote was, as follows:

Aye - Hilda Bills  
Absent - Dorothy Ennis  
Aye - Jewel Stewart

Aye - Debbie Coker  
Aye - Warren Rossi

APPROVED:

  
Debbie Coker, Chairman

  
Warren Rossi, Vice-Chairman