

Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology
Location for Public Access Monday, December 12, 2022:
Robert E. Lee Building, Suite 301, 239 N. Lamar Street, Jackson, MS 39202

Regular Scheduled Teleconference Board Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2022

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Warren Rossi, Chairman of the Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. on December 12, 2022. Debbie Coker performed the roll call. May the record reflect that there was a quorum present for voting purposes with the following members of the Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology present via teleconference:

Hilda Bills, Member
Dorothy Ennis, Member
Warren Rossi, Chairman
Jewel Stewart, Vice-Chairman

Member present at the public access location:
Debbie Coker, Secretary

Also present at the public access location:
Ruby Lowery, Interim Executive Director
Yvonne Laird, Contractor/Consultant

Present via teleconference:
Pete Cajoleas, Special Assistant Attorney General / Counsel for the Board

II. Hearings / Hearing Update
No hearings scheduled as of this date.

III. Executive Session

CLOSED DETERMINATION/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Debbie Coker the Board voted to go into a closed determination session to establish the need for an Executive Session. The motion carried with the following members voting for: Hilda Bills, Debbie Coker, Dorothy Ennis, Jewel Stewart and Warren Rossi; voting against none; recusal: none; absent: none.

In the determination session, Jewel Stewart moved, seconded by Debbie Coker, that the Board had reason to go into Executive Session, namely for the transaction of business and discussions regarding personnel matters to discuss duties of the Executive Director. The Board determined that facts presented constituted the need for Executive Session under § 25-41-7 (k), Miss. Code Ann., as revised. The motion carried with the following

members voting for: Hilda Bills, Debbie Coker, Dorothy Ennis, Jewel Stewart, and Warren Rossi; voting against none; recusal: none; absent: none.

The Board announced to the public the aforesaid reasons as the Board's purpose for entering an Executive Session.

Upon the conclusion of business of Executive Session, the Board voted, upon motion made by Jewel Stewart to come out of Executive Session at 9:24 a.m. The motion carried with the following members voting for: Hilda Bills, Debbie Coker, Dorothy Ennis, Jewel Stewart and Warren Rossi; voting against: none; recusal: none; absent: none.

The Board resumed in open meeting by announcing the following actions and votes taken in Executive Session.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Within the Executive Session, the Board took the following actions:

Due to the email received from applicant 1 indicated that she had decided to decline the offer as the Executive Director, the motion was made by Debbie Coker to offer applicant 2 the position of Executive Director and to issue an official letter of offering which details the starting salary of \$68,000, confirmation of her start date and advising her that the person in this position serves at the will and pleasure of the Board. Jewel Stewart provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

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

IV. Agenda Request

A. Out of State Candidate (Felony)

The motion was made by Debbie Coker with a second by Hilda Bills to approve an applicant with a felony conviction as the conviction is not directly related to the profession of cosmetology in accordance with the Fresh Start Act of 2019.

The applicant is applying under the UROLA Act of 2020. The vote was, as follows:

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

V. Discussion of the Prior Board Meeting Minutes

The motion was made by Hilda Bills to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2022 Minutes, as submitted. A second was provided by Debbie Coker.

The vote was, as follows:

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

Aye – Jewel Stewart

VI. Report of Officers

A. Chairman

Warren Rossi was not present; therefore, had no report.

B. Vice-President

Jewel Stewart had no special business to come before the Board.

C. Secretary/Treasurer

No current financial reports were available for distribution at this time and will be made available with the January 30, 2023 agenda. It was noted for the record that the Legislative Budget Committee Recommendations, Summary Report of Special Fund Agencies By Function of Government indicated a .06 reduction of \$5,709 from the FY2023 estimated \$977,331 even though MSBC had requested for FY2024 an increase to \$1,022,919, resulting in a proposed FY2024 budget of \$971,622. MSBC representatives will appear before the Appropriations Committee in the Senate and the House to discuss this reduction for reconsideration.

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

Dorothy Ennis advised that the next MS Cosmetology Council meeting will be held on February 26, 2023. More information to follow at a later date.

VIII. Legislative Committee Update

A. Debbie Coker advised that the proposed legislation as well as the merger bill would be presented to Senator Parks and Representative Bain. No further action required by the Board at this time.

IX. Report of Counsel

No report

X. Executive Director's Report

A. Practical Testing

No reports were presented for informational purposes and will be available at the January 30, 2023 meeting.

B. Theory Testing

No reports were presented for informational purposes and will be available at the January 30, 2023 meeting.

C. Out of State Testing (UROLA)

No reports were presented for informational purposes and will be available at the January 30, 2023 meeting.

- D. Approval/Permit
No reports were presented for informational purposes and will be available at the January 30, 2023 meeting.
- E. Inspection Report
No reports were presented for informational purposes and will be available at the January 30, 2023 meeting.
- F. Out of State Permit Report
No reports were presented for informational purposes and will be available at the January 30, 2023 meeting.

X. Old Business

A. Electric Nail File Course

Ruby Lowery advised that L. Brown would be willing to provide the instructor training. The motion was made by Debbie Coker with a second by Hilda Bills to pay Ms. Brown \$2500 for class instruction. The training would be held at Eagle Ridge in Raymond in February. The estimated cost would be \$350 per person to attend with a maximum of twenty-five participants. Ruby will provide a breakdown of the expenses for the class so that the Board can authorize a cost per student at the January 30, 2023 meeting. The vote was, as follows:

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

XI. New Business

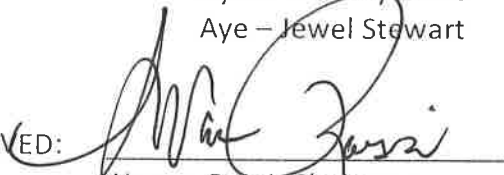
There was no new business to come before the Board.

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the motion was made by Hilda Bills to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 a.m. A second was provided by Debbie Coker. The vote was, as follows:

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

APPROVED:


Warren Rossi, Chairman


Debbie Coker, Secretary

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY
TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING AGENDA
9:00 A.M., DECEMBER 12, 2022
Robert E. Lee Building, 3rd Floor, Suite 301
239 N. Lamar Street, Jackson, MS 39202

I.	Welcome and Call to Order	Warren Rossi
II.	Hearing / Hearing Update	Pete Cajoleas
III.	Executive Session	Warren Rossi
IV.	Agenda Request	Ruby Lowery
	A. UROLA Special Applicant – Out of State (Felony)	
V.	Discussion of the Prior Board Meeting Minutes	Jewel Stewart
	A. Regular Scheduled Meeting of November 28, 2022	
VI.	Report of Officers	
	A. Chairman	Jewel Stewart
	B. Vice-Chairman	Jewel Stewart
	C. Secretary / Treasurer	Debbie Coker
	1. Financial Report	
VII.	MS Cosmetology Council (73-7-7 (1))	Dorothy Ennis
VIII.	Legislative Committee Updates	Debbie Coker
IX.	Report of Counsel	Pete Cajoleas
X.	Executive Director's Report	Ruby Lowery
	A. Practical Testing	
	B. Theory Testing	
	C. Out of State Testing (UROLA)	
	D. Approval / Permits Issued	
	E. Inspection Report	
	F. Out of State Permit Report	
XI.	Old Business	
	A. Electric Nail File Course	Ruby Lowery
XII.	New Business	Jewel Stewart
XIII.	Adjournment	Jewel Stewart

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Regular Scheduled Teleconference Board Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2022

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Warren Rossi, Chairman of the Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. on December 15, 2022. Debbie Coker performed the roll call. May the record reflect that there was a quorum present for voting purposes with the following members of the Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology present via teleconference:

Debbie Coker, Secretary
Dorothy Ennis, Member
Warren Rossi, Chairman
Jewel Stewart, Vice-Chairman

Member absent:

Hilda Bills, Member

Also present at the public access location:

Ruby Lowery, Interim Executive Director

Present via teleconference:

Pete Cajoleas, Special Assistant Attorney General / Counsel for the Board
Yvonne Laird, Contractor/Consultant

II. Legislative Committee Updates

After discussion of the previously distributed draft merger legislation, the motions were made, as follows:

The motion was made by Jewel Stewart to retain the language of nine (9) members in § 73-7-1. Debbie Coker provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

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

The motion was made by Debbie Coker to retain the language which includes “pedicuring” as provided in § 73-7-21(c). Jewel Stewart provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

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

The board all agreed to the following additions / deletions in the presented draft:

- a. § 73-7-31 (d) – Delete
- b. § 73-7-33, paragraph 4 – add “clean and” sanitary

Debbie Coker made the motion to approve the draft merger legislation with changes as reflected in these Minutes. Jewel Stewart provided a second. The vote was, as follows:

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

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the motion was made by Debbie Coker to adjourn the meeting at 11:57 a.m. A second was provided by Jewel Stewart. The vote was, as follows:

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

APPROVED.


Warren Rossi, Chairman


Debbie Coker, Secretary