

MINUTES
South Carolina Board of Funeral Service
Board Meeting

4:00 p.m., April 18, 2012
Synergy Business Park
110 Centerview Drive, Kingstree Building Room 202-02
Columbia, South Carolina

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

1. Meeting Called to Order

Michelle A. (Shelly) Cooper, President, of Moncks Corner, called the regular meeting of the SC Board of Funeral Service to order at 4:08 p.m. Other Board members present for the meeting included: Kenneth E. (Ken) Beasley, Vice President, of Fountain Inn; Charlie Bradford (Brad) Evans, of Abbeville; William B. (Billy) Horton, Jr., of Kingstree; John L. Petty, III, of Landrum; and, Jeffrey K. (Jeff) Temples, of Columbia.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Doris Cubitt, Administrator; Wendi Elrod, Program Assistant; Amy Holleman, Administrative Assistant; Jeanie Rose, Administrative Assistant; Jamie Saxon, Advice Counsel, Division of Legal Services; Dean Grigg, Division of Legal Services; and Sara McCartha, Division of Legal Services.

A video of this meeting can be viewed at www.lfr.state.sc.us/POL/Funeral. On the Board's home page, click 'Board Information' and follow the link to the video.

This proceeding was recorded by a court reporter in order to produce a verbatim transcript should one be necessary.

a. Public Notice

Ms. Cooper announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the SC Board of Funeral Service office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Introduction of Board Members and Persons Attending the Meeting

The Board members, staff, and all other persons attending the meeting introduced themselves.

3. Approval of Excused Absences

Thomas E. (Tommy) Baker, II, Secretary, of Kershaw; and, Eddie J. Nelson, of Blythewood, were granted an excused absence.

MOTION

Mr. Petty made a motion that the Board approve Mr. Baker's and Mr. Nelson's absences. Mr. Horton seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Wallace McKnight, Jr., of Andrews; and, Mark R. O'Steen, Spartanburg were not granted an unexcused absence.

Mr. Griggs stated that a letter from Senator Ryburg's office has been received stating that the Board of Funeral Service should not increase the licensing fees as per Bill 4268.

Executive Session

MOTION

Mr. Evans made a motion the Board enter into executive session. Mr. Horton seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Return to Public Session

MOTION

Mr. Evans made a motion the Board return to public session. Mr. Temples seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Ms. Cooper noted for the record that no official action was taken during executive session.

MOTION

Mr. Horton made a motion that the Board comply with Senator Ryburg's letter and withdraw the Bill. Mr. Beasley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Ms. Cubitt suggested that the Board schedule a meeting on April 25, 2012 to discuss any other changes to the Regulations

4. Public Comments

No comments were made during the meeting.

5. Adjournment

MOTION

Mr. Petty made a motion the Board adjourns. Mr. Temples seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The April 18, 2012, meeting of the SC Board of Funeral Service adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

The next meeting of the SC Board of Funeral Service is scheduled for April 25, 2012.