



Mississippi Autism Board  
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### **Special Called Meeting**

March 22, 2024  
Zoom Meeting  
11:30 AM

A Special Called Meeting of the Mississippi Autism Board (“Board”) was called to order on Friday, March 22, 2024, at 11:31 a.m. by board member, Dr. Emily Johnson. The meeting took place virtually via Zoom.

**Board Members Present:** Emily Johnson, Ph.D. (Chair), Neelima Duncan, Ph.D., Kasee Stratton-Gadke, Krystal Thurman, Ed.D. (Secretary), and Sheila Williamson, Ph.D.

**Others Present:** Stacie Sharp (Board Administrator) and Leyser Hayes (Special Assistant Attorney General, MS Attorney General’s Office)

#### **Motion to approve the minutes from 1.19.2024:**

Stratton-Gadke – motioned  
Williamson - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

#### **Motion to approve the minutes from 1.30.2024:**

Duncan – motioned to approve with edits  
Johnson - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

#### **Board Administrator Report:**

Website LMS is in development. Updates about new RBT registration has been emailed to LBAs. CEs are being uploaded to LMS profiles. CE form is on website for download per the updated rules and regulations.

OLRC approved moving forward. New rules and regulations will now be posted on the website.

Board appointments are pending approval.

**Motion to enter closed session to determine the need enter Executive Session**

Duncan – motioned

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to Enter Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing oral examinations under Miss Code Ann. § 73-52-1(1), (2), & (3) (test questions and results are exempt from public access) and applications for licensed assistant behavior analysts.**

Williamson - motioned session

Stratton-Gadke - seconded

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to enter Closed Session:**

Johnson - motioned

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to enter Open Session:**

Duncan - motioned

Johnson - seconded

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to enter closed session to determine the need to enter Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing investigation:**

Johnson - motioned

Williamson- seconded

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to Enter Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing investigative reports:**

Williamson - motioned

Johnson - seconded

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to Exit Executive Session:**

Williamson - motioned

Stratton-Gadke - seconded

Unanimous Vote

**Motion to approve for Licensure (based on the Report/Recommendation from Exam Committee) upon completion of all requirements for licensure:**

Stratton-Gadke – motioned  
Williamson - seconded  
Unanimous Vote

Licensed Behavior Analyst

241007	Keegan Palmertree
241008	Emily Iupe
241009	Kimberly Sadovich
241010	Emily Smith
241011	Amanda Jacopetti

The aforementioned licenses are valid 3.22.2024 – 3.21.2027.

**Motion to approve actions on open investigations:**

Williamson – motioned  
Johnson – seconded  
Unanimous Vote

The Board determined the following action based on the summary of investigation reports:

20223	Investigation is closed.
240101	Cease and desist order sent.
240102	Remains under investigation
240103	Remains under investigation.
240104	Cease and desist order sent.

**Motion to approve board chair for MAB beginning July 1, 2024:**

Duncan - motioned  
Thurman - seconded  
Unanimous vote

**Motion to approve secretary for MAB beginning July 1, 2024:**

Thurman – motioned  
Duncan – seconded  
Unanimous Vote

**Motion to approve co-chairs for CE Coordinator for MAB beginning July 1, 2024:**

Johnson – motioned  
Duncan – seconded  
Unanimous Vote

**CE Reports:**

CE submissions due June 30, 2024.

**Regulators Meeting Report:**

Duncan reported on meeting. Prompted the consideration of sending out reminders to LBAs pertaining to rules and regulations and professional certification best practices.

**Adjournment**

A Special Called meeting will take place virtually on May 17, 2024. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 12:37 p.m.