

Regular Meeting of the Board of Examiners of Embalmers & Funeral Directors
DATE: June 4, 2024
LOCATION: Via Microsoft TEAMS

Name	Member	Present (Y/N)	DPH STAFF	Present (Y/N)
Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer, Chairman		Y	Aden Baume, DPH	Y
Edgar Rodriguez, Embalmer		Y	Brett Moody, DPH	Y
Daniel Jowdy, Embalmer		Y	Derrick Williams, Board Liaison	Y
			Frank Manna, DPH	Y
			Robert Binkowski, DPH	Y
			Ryan Burns, Deputy Legal Director	Y

CALL TO ORDER 9:00 a.m.

Frank Manna from the Department of Public Health made a request to the Board to change the order of the agenda moving the reinstatement consent order to the first item of business. It was also requested that the Board add an extension of the apprenticeship for Rushane Taylor to the agenda. Daniel Jowdy moved to change to the agenda as noted. Chairman Darrell McClam seconded. This motion passed by roll call vote.

REINSTATEMENT CONSENT ORDER

Gary Szewczyk, Embalmers License No. 002166. This case was presented by Frank Manna from the Department of Public Health. After reviewing, the Board agreed to approve the reinstatement consent order. Daniel Jowdy first moved to approve the reinstatement subject to the applicant completing six continuing education hours. Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Frank Manna presented Rushane Taylor’s request to approve an apprenticeship. Daniel Jowdy moved to accept the request. Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion. The vote passed by roll call vote.

MINUTES:

Daniel Jowdy moved to approve the March 5, 2024, minutes, as presented. Edgar Rodriguez seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

LICENSURE EXAMINATION:

Daniel Jowdy requested a list of potential licensure examination sites. Robert Binkowski from the Department of Public Health provided information concerning current licensure examination sites.

DPH UPDATES

Daniel Jowdy mentioned how pleased he was regarding the letter from the Commissioner of Public Health to the Board regarding Funeral Director Education. He mentioned that he looked forward to working with the Board and Department to ensure there is appropriate educational programs for Funeral Directors.

PROPOSED CONSENT ORDER

All State Cremation & Funeral Care Petition No. 2021-520. and Scott F Demarco, Embalmer. Petition No.2021-517. Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan, representing the Department, gave a synopsis on the proposed consent order. Daniel Jowdy moved to accept the consent order. Edgar Rodriguez seconded. The consent order was accepted by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT:

Daniel Jowdy moved, and Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously at 9:55 a.m.

Darrell L. McClam
Chairman