

Regular Meeting of the Board of Examiners of Embalmers & Funeral Directors
DATE: March 5, 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	Audrey Nicolas, DPH	Y
Daniel Jowdy, Embalmer		Y	Chris Andresen, DPH	Y
			Frank Manna, DPH	Y
			Steve Carragher, DPH	Y
			Ryan Burns, DPH	Y

CALL TO ORDER 9:05a.m.

MINUTES:

Darrell McClam moved to approve the December 19, 2023, minutes, as presented. Daniel Jowdy seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Embalmers School Program Proposal, presented by Daniel Jowdy. Following brief discussion, Daniel Jowdy moved to accept the program proposal as presented. Edgar Rodrigues seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- B. Consideration of Reinstatement. Daniel Martino License #: 002886. Daniel Jowdy moved to approve the reinstatement request. Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- C. Consideration of Reinstatement. Jamie Jacketer License #: 002418. Daniel Jowdy moved to approve the reinstatement request. Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT:

Daniel Jowdy moved, and Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously at 10:00 a.m.

Darrell L. McClam
 Chairman

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

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
September 10, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer, Chairperson
Edgar Rodriguez, Embalmer
Daniel Jowdy, Embalmer

DPH STAFF PRESENT:

Ryan Burns, DPH Deputy Legal Director
Aden Baume, DPH Legal Counsel to the Board
Betty J. Rozario, Board Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Darrell L. McClam called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Edgar Rodriguez moved to approve the June 4, 2024 minutes. Daniel Jowdy seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

CHAIR UPDATES

Daniel Jowdy moved to add to the agenda a health department update, a discussion about reciprocity agreements, and a discussion regarding who to bring questions to while Robert Binkowski is absent. Edgar Rodriguez seconded it. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Edgar Rodriguez moved to add a discussion about DSS and their new regulation to the agenda. Darrell L. McClam seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

ADJOURN

Daniel Jowdy moved to adjourn the meeting. Edgar Rodriguez seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

Darrell L. McClam
Chairperson

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
December 17, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer, Chairperson
Daniel Jowdy, Embalmer
William Moriarty, Public Member
Edgar Rodriguez, Embalmer

DPH STAFF PRESENT:

Ryan Burns, DPH Deputy Legal Director
Aden Baume, DPH Legal Counsel to the Board
Betty J. Rozario, Board Liaison

CALL TO ORDER.

Chairperson Darrell L. McClam called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Daniel Jowdy moved to approve the September 10, 2024 minutes. William Moriarty seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

CHAIR UPDATES

Daniel Jowdy moved to include a discussion of licensure portability at the next meeting. William Moriarty seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by acclamation.

A. The Board Members discussed the following schedule of meeting dates for 2025 with a start time of 9:00 a.m.:

March 4, 2025
June 3, 2025
September 9, 2025
December 16, 2025

Daniel Jowdy moved to approve the 2025 Regular Meeting dates. Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

B. There was a discussion regarding Lillard Lewis as an examiner of practicals.

Daniel Jowdy moved to accept Lillard Lewis as a practical examiner in the State of Connecticut for the Board. Edgar Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

ORIENTATION

Board Member Orientation Training and Presentation by Ryan Burns, Deputy Legal Director

ADJOURN

Edgar Rodriguez moved to adjourn the meeting. William Moriarty seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

Darrell L. McClam
Chairperson