## Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology Emergency Telephonic Board Meeting Minutes January 5, 2024

## **Location for Public Access:**

## Robert E. Lee Building, 239 N Lamar Street, Suite 301, Jackson, MS 39201

Welcome and Call to Order

Warren Rossi, Chairman of the Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology, called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. on January 5, 2024. Debbie Coker performed the roll call. May the record reflect that there was a quorum present for voting purposes.

Present telephonically:
Warren Rossi, Chairman
Debbie Coker, Vice-Chairman
Jewel Stewart, Secretary
Hilda Bills, Member
Catherine Bell, Special Assistant Attorney General / Counsel for the Board
Ruby Lowery, Deputy Director
Sharon Clark, Executive Director

**Public Present:** 

No public present.

II. Agenda Approval

Jewel Stewart moved to approve the agenda. Hilda Bills provided a second. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

III. New Business

Sharon Clark requested approval by the Board for Jewel Stewart to provide monitoring of an Electric File Certification Course offered by Lychanda Brown on January 21, 2024. Debbie Coker moved to approve Jewel Stewart as the monitor and all travel and per diem expenses. Hilda Bills provided a second. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

IV. Debbie Coker moved to close the regular session for a determination of the need for executive session. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Hilda Bills moved that the Board has reason under MISS. CODE ANN. § 25-41-7 (k), as amended, to go into Executive Session, namely to discuss strategy and potential negotiation with respect to the litigation concerning Blue Cliff College. Jewel Stewart provided a second. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:35 a.m.

Debbie Coker moved to exit Executive Session. Jewel Stewart provided a second. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

During executive session, the Board voted to offer Blue Cliff College a consent order.

The vote was as follows:

Warren Rossi – aye

Debbie Coker – aye

Hilda Bills – aye

Jewel Stewart – recused herself prior to the vote

V. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Debbie Coker moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 a.m. A second was provided by Jewel Stewart. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

APPROVED

Warren Rossi, Chairman

Jewel Stewart, Secretary