

HME Board Minutes

1:00PM – CST

March 7, 2023

In Person

With proper and required notice having been provided to the Alabama Secretary of State's Office along with posting on the websites of the Alabama Secretary of State and the Alabama Board of Home Medical Equipment the meeting was held on Tuesday, March 7th, 2023, at 60 Commerce Street, Suite 1440, Montgomery, Alabama. The meeting has been called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Lisa Wells.

A quorum having been established and maintained; the following Board members were present:

Lisa Wells

Jason Jones

Don Jones

Robert Beard

Michael Hadden

Jennifer Weathers - Via Zoom Video

Susan Haigler – Via Zoom Audio

Also present was Claire Austin, Executive Director, Will Parker, Administrative Support, and Tara Hetzel, Board Legal Counsel.

After reading the agenda that was passed out prior to the meeting, the motion to approve the agenda was made by Jason Jones and seconded by Don Jones. All voted in favor, and the agenda was approved. The reading from the minutes from the September Dec. 6th, 2022, meeting where motioned to approve by Jason Jones and seconded by Robert Beard

The Board had the Swearing-In/Oath of Office for Michael Hadden, by Executive Director Claire Austin. The Board's Legal Counsel and John Albritton were present to notarize the Oath of Office.

Chair, Lisa Wells, discussed Phillips' impact on the industry. With a vote of confidence, the Board voted to increase and renew the administrative service contract with The Austin Group.

Claire Austin gave the executive director's report to the board, and then, discussed the Governor's Red Tape Executive Orders for Boards, the possible sale of the vehicle or the transfer of the Board vehicle. Austin discussed numerous mail order companies trying to conduct business that weren't excepted, she discussed that she had worked closely with Tara Hetzel on these matters.

There was a motion made by Michael Hadden and seconded by Jason Jones of the sale of the Boards vehicle.

Will Parker presented the Financial Report with a detailed status on the finances of the board. The board is in good standing financially. There was a motion made by Robert Beard and seconded by Don Jones to accept the financials.

Tara Hetzel, legal matter of the Attorney General's Office stated more information needed regarding the out of state discipline, she would bring back to the Board when she had the appropriate information.

Announcements the next Board meeting will be held Tuesday, May 16th.

Lise Wells said with no further business before the board, "I would like a motion to adjourn, Don Jones made the motion to adjourn, and Robert Beard seconded the motion to adjourn the board unanimously voted in favor to adjourn at 1:45 pm.

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 100pm CST.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Don Jones and seconded by Robert Beard @ 1:45 pm.



Lisa Wells, Chair of Board


