

The Alabama Professional Bail Bonding Board
Board Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2021

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 Professional Bail Bonding Board, a meeting of the Alabama Professional Bail Bonding Board was held on Friday, May 21, 2021, at 60 Commerce Street, Suite 1440, Montgomery, Alabama. The meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m. by Chairman Chris McNeil.

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

District I: Chris McNeil
District II: Gustavus Maxie
District V: Victor Howard
District VI: Jimmie Lay
Circuit Clerk: The Honorable Carla Woodall

Board Members not present:

District III: Barry Johnson
District IV: Alesia Kyser
District VII: Edward Giles
Judge: The Honorable Spiro Cheriogotis

Also present was Claire Austin, Acting Executive Director; Brenda Holden and Will Parker, Administrative Support; and Mary Goldthwaite, Board Attorney, Alabama Attorney General's Office.

Unless otherwise notated, all voting actions of the Board were taken by a show of hands.

The meeting was opened with prayer offered by Victor Howard.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Jimmie Lay and seconded by Victor Howard. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the March 26, 2021, meeting of the Board were previously distributed for review. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes and approve as submitted was made by Jimmie Lay and seconded by Gustavus Maxie. Motion passed unanimously.

The Executive Director's Report was submitted by Claire Austin related to applications and renewals processed, issuance of licenses, payments of Board expenses, and the April 1, 2021-May 21, 2021 financial update. Contract negotiations with ALEA for the APBB to be an approved vendor is still in the works and has slowed due to manpower shortage at ALEA. Certificates of Licensure will need to be updated due to the recent passage of SB204 in the Alabama Legislature as well as a new Apprentice Certificate of Licensure will need to be developed and printed. Draft copies will be sent for review to Spiro Cheriogotis, Carla Woodall, and Chris McNeil. Rules and Regulations will also need to be updated to conform to SB204. Chris McNeil appointed a new Rules & Regulations Sub-Committee of Chris McNeil, Carla Woodall, Spiro Cheriogotis, and Gustavus Maxie. Will Parker summarized the financial report of all disbursements and receivable since April 1, 2021. Obstacles in printing and the cost thereof for the required small ID cards were communicated and various options for in-office printing were being reviewed.

Chris McNeil gave an update of continuing education training, upcoming classes, and possible vendors. A discussion as held regarding the continuing education offered/accepted by the Alabama Department of Insurance for Professional Bail Bondsmen. An update was also given regarding the creation/writing of test for certification with sub-committee to continue efforts for an approximate completion date of July 30, 2021.

Discussions were held for the newly-appointed sub-committee to update the Rules and Regulations of the Board will meet Friday, June 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in Mobile at the Mobile County Courthouse.

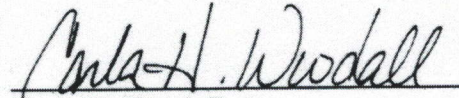
There was no new business and no licensees to come before the Board.

The Board was informed the next meeting of the Alabama Professional Bail Bonding Board is scheduled for Friday, July 30, 2021 at 12:00 p.m., at the Perdido Beach Resort, 27200 Perdido Beach Blvd, Orange Beach, AL. The change in location is due to a couple of Board members having previous professional obligations in Orange Beach.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Jimmie Lay and seconded by Victor Howard. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Chris McNeil
Chairman



Carla H. Woodall
Secretary