



# Meeting Minutes



<b>Meeting Title:</b>	Mississippi Professional Art Therapist Advisory Council Meeting	
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	CC/PL Conference Room – 143B LeFleurs Square, Jackson, MS 39211	
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	January 25, 2019	
<b>Time:</b>	1:30 P.M.	
<b>Called to Order:</b>	1:40 PM by Mr. Festus Simkins, Quorum was established.	
<b>Next Meeting Date/Time/Location:</b>	4 October 2019 1:30 P.M. CC/PL Conference Room / 143B LeFleurs Square, Jackson, MS 39211	
<b>Meeting Adjourned</b>	3:02 P.M.	
<b>Attendees:</b>	<u>Council Members Present</u> Diane Stefanick Christel Howell John Phillip Macon Teresa Ballinger Dr. Lillian Houston	<u>Council Members Absent</u>
	<u>MSDH Staff Present</u> Festus Simkins Ebony Gunn Yolanda Morrow	
	<u>Attending Via Phone Conference</u> Susan Anand	
	<u>Members of the Public Present</u>	



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New Business		NOTES
1.	Approval of September 21, 2018 minutes	A motion was made by Ms. Stefanick and seconded by Mr. Macon to approve the minutes of September 21, 2018 meetings. The motion passed.
2.	Election of Chair	The Council elected Diane Stefanick as chair for the 2020 term.
3.	2019 PAT Renewals	Ms. Gunn reminded the Council that the 2019 renewal cycle for PAT would be November 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019. She also asked if they have address changes to please email her or call the office before that time.
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1.	Update on LARS	Mr. Simkins provided the status update on the Department's new licensure database (LARS). He stated that the ITS Department is short staff, therefore; they are behind schedule in their production.
2.	Mr. Simkins discussed the Occupational Board Compliance Act of 2017	Mr. Simkins provided an update on the Occupational Board Compliance Act of 2017. He stated that the Department will continue to monitor and no action has been taken as of this date.
3.	Medicaid Update	Ms. Morrow informed the Council that the contact person, whom Ms. Walter knew, is no longer at Medicaid. She is seeking new contact information to provide to the Council. Ms. Anand stated that the Council did not want a contact name. They wanted to know if Art Therapists were removed from eligibility and if so, why. Mr. Macon suggested they resubmit their question in detail, explaining what information they are seeking. Ms. Anand and Ms. Ballinger will do some research and submit a new request.
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Other Business		NOTES
1.	Membership Update	Mr. Macon reminded the Council that his and Ms. Howell's terms expire on June 20, 2109. Ms. Morrow asked if they are willing to serve another term. Both are willing to serve. They will submit their state of interest and resumes to Ms. Morrow. Ms. Stefanick will contact the Association concerning their recommendation letter
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Teresa Bellinger (by SMM Award)  
Council Chairperson

Jedus C. Jenkins  
MSDM Representative

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Date