

**Minutes**  
**State Board of Private Career Education**  
**Arkansas Division of Higher Education – Meeting by Zoom**  
**July 15, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Members Present:** Alice Obenshain, Sterling Penix, Brock Thompson, Jacqueline Brownell, Jasmine Wilson

**Others Present:** Alana Boles, Mason Campbell, Tracy Harrell

**Welcome and Approval of Minutes of November 1 Meeting**

Alice Obenshain called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. She asked if anyone had any discussion regarding the minutes from the last meeting. Jacqueline Brownell made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and Brock Thompson seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

**ADHE Update**

Alana Boles announced that ADHE moved to 101 E. Capitol, Suite 300. She also introduced ADHE's interim Director of Academic Affairs, Mason Campbell.

**Report from Arkansas Division of Higher Education (ADHE) Staff**

Tracy Harrell stated that license renewals have been processed. To date, 107 licenses were renewed, 42 licenses were not renewed, and over \$134,000 was collected. She explained that 26 of those 42 are various tax schools that are undoing changes. Alice Obenshain asked about this year compared to previous years renewals where Alana Boles explained that they were similar.

**Open Forum**

Jacqueline Brownell asked about the existence of recruiting efforts to start new schools in the state. None were mentioned that were known to exist.

Alice Obenshain asked Alana Boles to speak with Julie Chavis about creating a special committee to discuss incarcerated persons, recidivism, and their potential enrollment in Private Career Education schools. Sterling Penix discussed potential federal funds available for students in re-entry programs and for students enrolling in career training programs.

**Meeting Adjourned**

With a motion from Sterling Penix and a second from Brock Thompson, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 p.m.