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NOTICE OF MEETING

of the

OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL

Pursuant to the provisions of Mississippi Code Annotated Sections 25-41-1 *et seq*. (1972), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Opioid Settlement Fund Advisory Council to be held on Friday, August 8, 2025, beginning at 1:00 p.m, at the Carroll Gartin Justice Building, 450 High Street, Jackson, MS 39201. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct the regular business of the Council as set forth in the attached Agenda. A public view only link is available below.

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This the 7th day of August, 2025.

BY: *_/s/ Caleb A. Pracht_*
Caleb A. Pracht
Special Assistant Attorney General

Mississippi Opioid Settlement Fund Advisory Council
August 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Call to order

The second meeting of the Mississippi Opioid Settlement Fund Advisory Council was called to order at the Carroll Gartin Justice Building in Jackson, Mississippi at 1:04 p.m. on August 8, 2025.

Introductions and Roll Call

Council members announced their attendance at the meeting. A quorum was established. Mr. Moore moved to approve the July meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Edney and passed by voice vote.

Old Business

Acting as Chair by the Attorney General's designation, Special Assistant Attorney General (SAAG) Caleb Pracht brought forward the Council's Proposed Rules as the first item of old business.

Mr. Taggart moved to reopen Proposed Rules for the purpose of reconsidering amendments. The motion was seconded by Ms. Veazey and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend Rule 402 and 404, with the purpose of amending the language of the second paragraph of Rule 404 to be similar to Rule 402's language. The motion was seconded by Chief Cooper and approved by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend Rule 405(c) to expand the scoring tiers. The motion was seconded by Director Bailey and approved by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to approve and adopt the Proposed Rules, as amended. The motion was seconded by Dr. Edney and approved by voice vote.

SAAG Pracht then brought forward the Council's Proposed Priorities for 2025 as the second item of old business.

Ms. Veazey moved to reopen the Proposed Priorities for 2025. The motion was seconded by Chief Cooper and passed by voice vote.

Ms. Bailey moved to amend Priority 8 to include "unserved and under-resourced communities in the state." The motion was seconded by Dr. Edney and passed by voice vote.

Chief Cooper moved to amend Priority 9 to add that "the project's grant proceeds will be expended for the benefits of residents of Mississippi." The motion was seconded by Mr. Stovall and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to approve and adopt the amended Priorities. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stovall and passed by voice vote.

New Business

SAAG Pracht then brought forward Grant Applications as the first item of new business.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend the Request for Grant Application to conform to amendments previously made to other documents. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stovall and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Sclafani moved to amend the part of the application regarding eligible projects to add that "grant proceeds shall be expended for the benefits of residents of Mississippi." The motion was seconded by Chief Cooper and passed by voice vote.

Ms. Bailey moved to amend Item 8 of the Proposal Narrative to add a timeline of target dates of when organizations would complete goals and objectives. The motion was seconded by Mr. Taggart and passed by voice vote.

Ms. Bailey moved to amend Item 16 of the Proposal Narrative to include a section for the application to add how the project or plan would be evaluated. The motion was seconded by Mr. Taggart and passed by voice vote.

Ms. Bailey moved to amend Item 3 of the Proposal Narrative to include a detailed project budget with clear justification of proposed expenditures for carrying out the proposed project. The motion was seconded by Mr. Taggart and passed by voice vote.

Ms. Bailey moved to amend to add as an item to the proposal narrative "any required certification or licensure information if applicable and any prior revocation of any such licensure or certification if applicable." The motion was seconded by Mr. Sclafani and passed by voice vote.

Judge Touchstone moved to amend Item 4 of Application Submission Information to add "such as in the form." The motion was seconded by Chief Cooper and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Sclafani moved to approve and adopt the Request for Grant Application, as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bailey and approved by voice vote.

SAAG Pracht then brought forward the Council's Proposed Application Form as the second item of new business.

Judge Storey moved to amend the application to conform to previous amendments to other documents. The motion was seconded by Ms. Veazey and passed by voice vote.

Judge Storey then moved to amend the application to add a checkbox for the applicant to check if the applicant had previously had a license or certification revoked. The motion was seconded by Dr. Edney and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to approve and adopt the Application Form, as amended. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

SAAG Pracht then brought forward the Council's Proposed Scoring Rubric as the third item of new business.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend the Scoring Rubric to conform to previous amendment to expand the tiers. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bailey and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend the second bullet point under the Abatement Impact section to conform to amendments to previous documents. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sclafani and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend to add language regarding an internal control mechanism. The motion was seconded by Chief Cooper and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Sclafani moved to amend to separate the scoring for in-kind or in-cash funds under the fourth bullet point on Financial Stability. The motion was seconded by Mr. Taggart and approved by voice vote, with Mr. Moore and Mr. Stovall voting "No."

Mr. Sclafani moved to amend the second bullet point under Geographic Area and Population to Be Served to conform with previous amendments to other documents. The motion was seconded by Judge Touchstone and passed by voice vote.

Dr. Edney moved to amend the language under Geographic Area and Population to Be Served to conform to previous amendments to other documents by adding language "under resourced and underserved." The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Taggart moved to approve and adopt the Scoring Rubric, as amended. The motion was seconded by Sheriff Jones and passed by voice vote.

SAAG Pracht then brought forward the Council's Proposed Subcommittee Assignments, for discussion. There was no discussion.

SAAG Pracht then brought forward the Council's Proposed Grant Cycle Timeline. After a discussion about whether the abbreviated timeline would be practical, the Council agreed that the September 19th application deadline would be held firm, but all other future dates would be tentative and subject to change.

SAAG Pracht then brought forward the Council's Sample MOU as the sixth item of new business.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend, en bloc, the financial documentation required, clarify the lump sum/reimbursement thresholds, and clarify the clawback language.

Mr. Taggart moved to amend Section 3 to include "any grant." The motion was seconded by Sclafani and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Sclafani moved to amend language in Section 4 to include "the Attorney General Office reserves right to conduct an audit or retain a third-party to conduct audit." The motion was seconded by Mr. Stovall and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Stovall moved to amend to allow the Attorney General's Office 30 days instead of 10 days to review quarterly reports and other required documentation. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Sclafani moved to amend Section 5 to add "as well as an annual audit of grant funds" and to amend Section 3. The motion was approved by Mr. Taggart as a friendly amendment, seconded by Ms. Bailey and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Sclafani moved to amend Section 2 to add "lump sum awards shall be limited to projects of no more than $50,000." The motion was seconded by Mr. Stovall and passed by voice vote.

Mr. Stovall moved to approve and adopt the Sample MOU, as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bailey and passed by voice vote.

SAAG Pracht then brought forward the Council's Sample Budget to provide the Council with an example of what applicants may provide related to the budget for their proposed project, for discussion. There was no discussion.

Announcements

The members agreed to meet again on November 3rd.

Adjournment

Chief Cooper made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Stovall seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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November 3, 2025

Date of approval