

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY –
Meeting Minutes
June 12,2023 - Open Board Meeting – TIME: 9:30am**

PLACE:

Louisiana State Archives
3851 Essen Lane
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Call to Order by Kathie Lea at 9:37 am

Roll Call P=Present A=Absent

Members:

Kathie Lea: Chairperson	<u>P</u>
Rosemary Wilkinson: Secretary	<u>P</u>
Karla Swacker	<u>P</u>
Donna Green	<u>P</u>
Memry Hodum	<u>P</u>
Amie Dudzinski	<u>P</u>
Sheri Morris: Attorney	<u>P</u>
James Raines: Attorney	<u>P</u>
Mary Sue Stages: CPA	<u>A</u>
Tricia Thibaut, Executive Director	<u>P</u>
Aubry Leiva: Executive Assistant	<u>P</u>
Chandra Wiley:	<u>P</u>

Reading of Mission Statement by Chairperson

Public Comment¹

No Public Comment Given

Business:

1. Oath of Office
 1. Amie Dudzinski

Motion made by Karla Swacker to amend the agenda by moving the Chairperson's report before the Application Review. This motion was seconded by Rosemary Wilkerson. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 17,2023 board meeting
Motion to approve minutes as submitted made by Karla Swacker, Seconded by Rosemary Wilkerson. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Hearing
 1. Alex Legaux LA9468
The CIO recused themselves from the proceedings.
Karla Swacker made a motion to sequester the witnesses, this motion was seconded by Rosemary Wilkerson, no members opposed.
Rosemary Wilkerson motioned for the board to enter into executive session, this motion was seconded by Karla Swacker, no members opposed

Karla Swacker motioned for the board to return to regular session, this motion was seconded by Amie Dudzinski, no members opposed
This matter will be continued until the September 25,2023 regular board meeting to provide both attorneys the ability to present their own facts and findings.

4. Chairperson Report

1. EBRP Massage Establishment Ordinance

Karla motioned for authorization for Sheri Morris to get a declaratory opinion from the Attorney General regarding this ordinance. This motion was seconded by Donna Green. No members opposed.

2. Verification of English Proficiency

Karla motioned for authorization for Sheri Morris to get a declaratory opinion from the Attorney General regarding the verification of English proficiency for applicants and licensees. This motion was seconded by Donna Green. No members opposed.

5. James Raines

1. Establishment Applications

a. Q3 Spa – owner: Shuqun Zhou

Motion to confirm denial of application made by Karla Swacker. This motion was seconded by Amie Dudzinski. No members opposed

b. LA Massage – owner: Yong Li

Motion to confirm denial of application made by Karla Swacker. This motion was seconded by Donna Green. No members opposed

6. Contract Review

1. Sheri Morris

Karla Swacker motioned to approve this contract beginning July 1,2023. The motion was seconded by Amie Dudzinski. No members opposed

a. Resolution

The resolution was signed by the board secretary.

2. James Raines

Karla Swacker motioned to approve this contract beginning July 1,2023. The motion was seconded by Rosemary Wilkerson. No members opposed

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The resolution was signed by the board secretary.

3. Advanced Investigative Technologies

Rosemary Wilkerson motioned to approve this contract beginning July 1,2023. The motion was seconded by Amie Dudzinski. No members opposed

4. Mary Sue Stages

Amie Dudzinski motioned to approve this contract beginning July 1,2023. The motion was seconded by Karla Swacker. No members opposed

7. Treasurer Report

The treasurer presented the financials for the 2022-2023 fiscal year until March 31,2023. No concerns noted

8. Executive Director Report

1. FSMTB Membership Renewal

Karla Swacker Motioned to renew the renewal. This motion was seconded by Amie Dudzinski. No members opposed

2. Summary Suspension Meeting Date

July 21,2023 is the date set by the board for Summery Suspension hearings. The Executive Director notified the board members of current outstanding complaints. All regional inspections will be completed by the end of the fiscal year. The executive director gave a report of renewal revenue.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:30 pm by Karla Swacker and seconded by Amie Dudzinski. Motion carried unanimously

¹Public Comment Policy –Public comments are limited to five (5) minutes per agenda item with the Board’s discretion to allow more time if needed.

²The Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy reserves the right to enter into Executive Session, if needed, in accordance with LA R.S. 42:16, 42:17, and La. C.E. art. 506.

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Respectfully Submitted by: _____