# LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

# August 12, 2016/October 21, 2016

Minutes of Open Board Meeting

**PLACE:** Louisiana State Archives 700 North 10<sup>th</sup> Street Baton Rouge, LA 70821

TIME: 10:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER - Time: 10:00 AM By: Linda Strickland

ROLL CALL - P = Present A= Absent Sallye Raymond, CIO: P Faith Miller, Treasurer: P Colleen Curran, Board Member: P Linda Strickland, Chair: P Robin Alexander, Secretary: P Shari Harter, Vice Chair: P

# APPROVE MINUTES - May 13, 2016

Motion to approve the minutes and make a part of the LBMT's permanent records made by Sallye Raymond and seconded by Shari Harter. Motion carried unanimously.

#### TREASURER REPORT

Financials – Treasurer – Faith Miller Report discussed and reviewed.

#### Budget - Mary Sue Stages, CPA

Motion to accept budget made by Faith Miller and seconded by Colleen Curran. Motion carried unanimously.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT - Rhonda McManus**

The annual audit is in process. All five complaints lodged have been addressed. There were 105 inspections done during the quarter that ended June 30, 2016. The office has temporarily relocated to the building in front of the old location until water damage repairs from the "Great Flood" are completed. Hope to be back in office in another week. Insurance and FEMA claims have been filed and was told we could look for reimbursement. This event will not negatively impact the mission of the Board. As always the staff appreciates the LBMT board members' support and thanks them for all they do.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### 1. Complaint

# A. Disciplinary Action regarding past licensee\*

Motion to go into Executive Session at 10:20 made by Faith Miller and seconded by Colleen Curran. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to come out of Executive Session made at 11:06 by Robin Alexander and seconded by Sallye Raymond. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to levy a \$500 fine in addition to the reinstatement requirements for licensee made by Sallye Raymond and seconded by Colleen Curran. Motion carried by a 3 to 2 vote with 1 abstention.

Motion to take a short break made by Shari Harter and seconded by Collen Curran. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting called back to order at 11:18 by Linda Strickland, Chair.

#### Legal\*

A. Injunction Settlement-Redland 639,255 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court In compliance and paying according to agreement.

#### 3. Litigation Discussion\*

C608065 Section: 22 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court

Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy vs. Kayla Perkins Aymond

No response to settlement offer. Special Counsel is preparing for trial.

## 4. House Bill 792/Act 645

It was passed by the House and Senate. Public record and the Board advise all to know and understand the changes and their implications.

#### Attendance Records

A motion in reference to attendance records was made as follows: If attendance records are not available from the school for applicants with transcripts more than five (5) years old, the staff may proceed with the licensure process. This motion was made by Shari Harter and seconded by Robin Alexander. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to recess at 11:58 for 45 minutes made by Faith Miller and seconded by Shari Harter.

Meeting called back to order at 12:40 by Linda Strickland, Chair.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### Applications for Licensure

#### A. License Applicant

#### Yashica Darnell

New policy in effect. No action required to be taken.

#### 2 Leah Hansom

Motion to accept the application pending successfully passing the MBLEx by licensee made by Sallye Raymond and seconded by Shari Harter. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Nathan Hennick

Motion to table to next meeting while staff request diploma and information from any state he was licensed in made by Robin Alexander and seconded by Faith Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. Jocelyn Wells\*

Motion to go into Executive Session at 12:52 PM made by Robin Alexander and seconded by Shari Harter. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to come out of Executive Session at 1:00 PM made by Shari Harter and seconded by Colleen Curran. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to take a five minute break made by Colleen Curran and seconded by Robin Alexander. Motion carried unanimously.

Called back to order at 1:03 PM by Linda Strickland, Chair.

Motion to deny application of Jocelyn Wells made by Faith Miller and seconded by Colleen Curran. Motion carried with one abstention.

#### 2. Draping

Motion to table discussion for Legal Counsel to gather more information on issue made by Robin Alexander and seconded by Shari Harter and Colleen Curran simultaneously. Motion carried unanimously.

# Continuing Education Programs

# A. Research Panel: Massage in Military & Hospital Settings

Motion to approve the CE program Research Panel: Massage in Military and Hospital Settings for credit in Louisiana made by Faith Miller and seconded by Robin Alexander. Motion carried unanimously.

### SCR 65 Task Force on Meaningful Oversight

Motion to appoint Linda Strickland, Chair as the Board representative with Rhonda McManus, Executive Director attending as attending support at Task Force meetings made by Robin Alexander and seconded by Collen Curran. Motion carried unanimously.

### Advertising

Motion to table issue to review and consider before next meeting made by Sallye Raymond and seconded by Colleen Curran. Motion carried unanimously.

# Suggestions for Rule Revision and Committee Appointment

Motion to table until May 2017 Board meeting made by Faith Miller and seconded by Sallye Raymond. Motion carried unanimously.

## 7. Furniture Approval

Motion to allow Executive Director and staff to refurnish the LBMT office made by Robin Alexander and seconded by Shari Harter. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Robin Alexander thanked the Board for approving her to attend the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards annual meeting. Stated it was a great learning experience to assist in being a better board member.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:28 PM made by Colleen Curran and seconded by Sallye Raymond. Motion carried unanimously.

\*The Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy reserves the right to enter into Executive Session, if needed, in accordance with La. R.S. 42:16, the Open Meeting Law.

Respectfully submitted by:

Robin R. Alexander, Secretary