

LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY –
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2025 - Open Board Meeting – TIME: 9:30am

PLACE:

6222 Jones Creek Road
Meeting Room 3
Baton Rouge, LA 70817

Call to Order by Kathie Lea at 9:37 am

Roll Call P=Present A=Absent

Members:

Kathie Lea: Chairperson	<u>P</u>
Toshii Cooper: Secretary	<u>P</u>
Karla Swacker: Treasurer	<u>P</u>
Donna Green: Vice Chair	<u>P</u>
Memry Hodum: CIO	<u>P</u>
Rosemary Wilkinson:	<u>A</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 Staggs: Executive Assistant	<u>P</u>
Chandra Wiley: Administrative Assistant	<u>P</u>

Reading of Mission Statement by Chairperson

Public Comment¹

No Public Comment Given

Business:

- 1) Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a) Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 11, 2025 Meeting
Motion to approve presented minutes as submitted made by Karla Swacker,
Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Hearings
 - a) Wanru Zhang
Motion to Grant the license subject to the terms and conditions of the Welcome Home Act and additional requirements including that the licensee will only work as an employee only of a licensed establishment that is not owned, partially or fully , or managed by a member of their immediate family, that they not apply for an establishment license with full or partial ownership by the licensee, that the licensee's registered establishment(s) be subject to additional random, unscheduled inspections, and that any change in employment must be immediately reported to the board by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.

- b) YiYi Massage, E5434
Motion to revoke the license for YiYi Massage and to assess maximum fines and penalties as appropriate and to assess administrative and legal costs for proceedings by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.
- c) New Le Le, E5440
Motion to revoke the license for New Le Le and to assess maximum fines and administrative and legal costs for proceedings by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
- d) Chiping CZ Zhang, LA9995
Motion to reinstate the professional license for a probationary period of one year during which the licensee must provide proper registration of employment, that the licensee only work at a licensed establishment which will be subject to additional inspections, that the licensee have no partial or full ownership or management of any massage establishment and be assessed appropriate administrative and legal costs for proceedings by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
- e) Rose's 88
Motion to deny the license application for Rose's 88 by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3) James Raines
 - a) Chiu Yang Liang
Motion to accept the Consent Agreement as presented by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b) Yufeng Zhou
Motion to accept the Consent Agreement as presented by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Memry Hodum. Motion carried unanimously.
 - c) Pingjun Yang
Motion to accept the Consent Agreement as presented by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
 - d) Xinge Yin, LA9764
Motion to accept the Voluntary Surrender of Professional License as presented by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Donna Green Motion carried unanimously
- 4) Mary Sue Stages, CPA
 - a)Financial
Mary Sue Stages was absent from this meeting. No financial information was provided by the CPA.
- 5) Treasurer Report
 - a) Financials
The treasurer has reviewed and presented the financial reports, credit card and bank statements from June and July 2025, and found them to be in order.
- 6) Executive Director Report
The Executive Director scheduled an additional board meeting for November 10, 2025 to address rule changes and board business.
- 7) Chairperson Report
The Chairperson and CIO provided a report from the annual meeting of the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB) conference they attended in Kansas City.

Adjournment

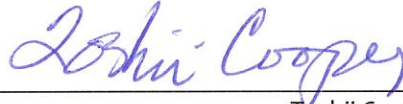
Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:16 pm by Karla Swacker and seconded by Memry Hodum. Motion carried unanimously

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: _____



Toshii Cooper, Secretary