

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY –  
Meeting Minutes  
December 8, 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>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 Stagg: Executive Assistant	<u>P</u>
Chandra Wiley: Administrative Assistant	<u>P</u>

Reading of Mission Statement by Chairperson

***Public Comment***<sup>1</sup>

No Public Comment Given

**Business:**

- 1) Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a) Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 10, 2025 Meeting  
Motion to approve presented minutes as submitted made by Karla Swacker,  
Seconded by Rosemary Wilkinson. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) James Raines
  - a) Yang Wang, LA8447  
Motion to withdraw summary suspension issued on November 14, 2025 and to  
reinstate license immediately by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Rosemary Wilkinson.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to amend the agenda to include the summary suspension of Johnathan N. Hebert,  
LA4108 and Johnathan N Hebert , LMT Muscular Therapy LLC, E4108 by Donna Green.  
Seconded by Karla Swacker. Motion carried unanimously.

- b) Johnathan N. Hebert, LA4108 and Johnathan N Hebert , LMT Muscular Therapy LLC,  
E4108  
Motion to continue the scheduled hearing to the next board meeting and for the  
summary suspension order to remain in place by Karla Swacker. Seconded by  
Rosemary Wilkinson. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3) Mary Sue Stages, CPA
  - a) Financial  
Mary Sue Stages was absent from this meeting. No financial information was provided by the CPA.
- 4) Treasurer Report
  - a) Financials  
The treasurer has reviewed and presented the financial reports, credit card and bank statements from August 2025, and found them to be in order.
- 5) Sherri Morris  
Sherri Morris presented and explained Attorney General Opinion #25-0042 received by the board as it related to the English Fluency provision in the Revised Statute as it relates to the Welcome Home Act.
- 6) Chairperson Report
  - a) Parish Ordinances  
The board sustained the opinion as it relates to board involvement in parish ordinances from May 2024.
  - b) St. Tammany Ordinance  
The office will respond to the email received from the St. Tammany Parish Council including the Attorney General Opinion received by the board and the May 2024 Board Opinion.
- 7) Executive Director Report
  - a) Tim Ringo / Board Review  
The office will respond to the email received from Tom Ringo including the Attorney General Opinion received by the board and the May 2024 Board Opinion.
  - b) Rules Approval
  - c) 2026 Meeting Schedule  
The board meetings for 2026 will take place at The Jones Creek Library on January 26, February 23, May 11, and August 31 with tentative meeting dates of October 26 and December 14 to be held at the board's request
  - d) Establishment License Application

#### **Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn meeting at 11:07 pm by Donna Green and seconded by Rosemary Wilkinson.**

**Motion carried unanimously**

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

<sup>2</sup>The 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  
Toshii Cooper, Secretary