



BOARD OF MASSAGE CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES

May 2, 2013

Oxford Suites, 1701 E Yakima Ave, Yakima, WA 98901

On Tuesday, May 2, 2013 the Board of Massage met at Oxford Suites 1701 E. Yakima Ave Yakima, WA 98901 conference room. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notices were sent to individuals requesting notification of meetings.

MEMBERS PRESENT

NANCY ALLEN, LMP, CHAIR
MEGHANN LAWRENCE, LMP, VICE CHAIR
LAURA WILLIAMS, LMP
ANTHONY SHARPE, PUBLIC MEMBER

STAFF PRESENT

KRIS WAIDELY, PROGRAM MANAGER
LISA HODGSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ERLAINE DIAZ, PROGRAM SUPPORT
ELIZABETH BAKER, AAG – PRESENT BY PHONE

MEMBERS ABSENT

REYNALDO GUAJARDO, LMP

GUESTS PRESENT

MARYBETH BERNEY, AMTA PRESIDENT

OPEN SESSION – 9:00 a.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by Nancy Allen, Chair, at 9:02 a.m.
 - 1.1 Introductions – The board, staff and audience introduced themselves.
 - 1.2 Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved as presented.
 - 1.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 5, 2013 – The March 5, 2013 meeting minutes were approved as presented.
2. **BYLAWS** – The board has moved to table the discussion and review of the Bylaws until the next board meeting.
3. **FEDERATION OF STATE MASSAGE THERAPY BOARDS (FSMTB) SURVEY** – The board discussed and answered the survey questions. Ms. Waidely, will provide the requested information directly to the FSMTB.

4. JURISDICTION AND SCHOOL PROGRAM REVIEWS – Reviewing board members presented jurisdiction and school program approval requests for full board consideration and possible action:

- Yakima Valley Body Therapies Institute – Deficient
- Carrington College – Deficient
- Therapeutic Connections School of Massage – Deficient
- Everest College (Tacoma Campus) – Deficient
- New York State Jurisdiction – Not Substantially Equivalent
- Sage Academy of Massage – Deficient
- United States Alternative College – This school was not presented during this meeting.

5. PROGRAM REPORT – Information provided to the board by the Program Manager and Executive Director.

- a. Budget – Ms. Waidely presented the current budget information to the board.
- b. Board member recruitment – Ms. Hodgson will be meeting with Governor Inslee’s staff regarding the processing of board recruitment applications. The Board of Massage will have a board member vacancy in September 2013 and has currently been recruiting to fill this vacancy.
- c. Legislative Meet-me-calls – There is nothing new to report. The legislative meet-me calls are finished unless Governor Inslee calls for a special session. If special session is called, it will primarily be on budget and policy issues.
- d. Other – Ms. Hodgson presented the board with a biography of the new Secretary of the Department of Health, John Wiesman, DrPh, MPH.

The department will be holding a rules hearing on May 8, 2013 to receive formal testimony in support or in opposition of the proposed reflexology rules. Reflexology is within the massage therapy scope of practice. Licensed Massage Practitioners are not required to apply for the reflexology certification unless they want to represent themselves as “certified” reflexologists.

As of March 18, 2013, Licensed Massage Practitioner’s can now renew their licenses online through the Department of Health’s website www.doh.wa.gov.

Ms. Hodgson informed the board that the department is currently planning the next leadership meeting. The date for this meeting is still undetermined.

6. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:

Kris Waidely, Program Manager

Nancy Allen, LMP, Board Chair