



NORTH CAROLINA BOARD of MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

June 21, 2012; 10:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

**Wachovia Capitol Center Building
150 Fayetteville Street, 13th Floor Large Conference Room, Raleigh, NC 27601**

"The mission of the NCBMBT is to regulate the practice of massage and bodywork therapy in the State of North Carolina to ensure competency, and to protect the public health, safety and welfare."

TIME AND PLACE

The North Carolina Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy met in Open Session in the offices of the Board on June 21, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Jaime Huffman, Ms. Darinda Davis, Mr. Kevin Powell, Dr. Edwin Preston, Ms. Candace Frye, Mr. Robby Brown and Mr. Josh Herman.

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Charles Wilkins and Mr. Ben Thompson, Legal Counsel to the Board, Ms. Bonnie Kennedy, Administrative Director and Ms. Elizabeth Welden, Administrative Assistant

CHAIR

In the absence of Ms. Huffman, Mr. Powell, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Ms. Welden

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Mr. Powell asked if any Board member had any conflict of interest with any item on the meeting's agenda. There being no conflict, the agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board approved its minutes of April 5, 2012.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved as presented.

Ms. Huffman arrived and presided over the remaining meeting agenda.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Wilkins reported:

New Rules

There are no rules scheduled for review.

Status of Amendments to Practice Act

There are no amendments to the Practice Act scheduled for consideration.

Disciplinary Hearings

There are no hearings scheduled for today.

Ms. Kennedy reported:

Licensee Report

12,144 licenses have been issued
7,681 active licenses

Renewal Report

There were 4,676 licensees scheduled to renew for the 2013-2014 renewal period including 498 expired licenses that can renew by December 31, 2012. License renewal packets were mailed the week of June 15, 2012. The IT manager is in the process of preparing online renewals for the 2013-2014 renewal period for approximately 100 licensees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

Mr. Powell reported the Committee met June 19, 2012, and discussed the matters set forth in the minutes of the Committee.

FSMTB

The Committee advised the Board they will be in contact with the FSMTB on the development of a continuing education program and to discuss what the Board would like to see from the program. The Board sent the FSMTB a response to MOCC and discussed their disappointment towards the proposal.

Chiropractic Board of Examiners

Dr. Preston is scheduled to meet with Ms. Carol Hall, Executive Secretary of the CBE on July 6, 2012 to discuss continuing education and scope of practice issues.

License Standards Committee

Ms. Huffman reported the Committee met April 5, 2012, and discussed the matters set forth in the minutes of the Committee.

School Approval Committee

Mr. Powell reported the Committee met April 4, 2012 and June 6, 2012, and discussed the matters set forth in the minutes of the Committee.

At the April 4, 2012 meeting, the Committee met with M&M Consulting to discuss school renewals. There are 14 schools scheduled to renew this year and the Board is in receipt of most of the applications for review. M&M also addressed teacher requirements and are satisfied with the level of quality of teaching in the schools. M&M also provided the Committee with a summary of their responsibilities for the SAC and Board along with a copy of the materials they use to complete those responsibilities.

At the June 6, 2012 meeting, the Committee met to review the school renewal applications. Mr. Wilkins informed the Board on the status of the NC Massage School, formerly Edmund Morgan School. Mr. Herman recused himself from voting on the school renewals. The Committee recommended the Board approve the following twelve schools for the terms stated.

Upon motion made, seconded and passed, the following schools were approved for one or two years as designated:

1. Kneaded Energy School of Massage, approved for 1 year
2. Living Arts Institute, approved for 1 year subject to receipt of satisfactory financials
3. Maiden School of Massage and Bodywork, approved for 1 year

4. Medical Arts Massage School, approved for 2 years subject to receipt of satisfactory financials
5. Miller-Motte College of Cary, approved for 2 years
6. Miller-Motte College of Greenville, approved for 1 year; letter re: MBLX pass rate
7. Miller-Motte College of Wilmington, approved for 2 years; letter re: drop-out rate
8. Mount Eagle Institute, approved for 1 year; letter re: start date of program
9. NC Massage School (formerly Edmund Morgan School), approval subject to completing the renewal process by July 31, 2012 and new application process by September 30, 2012
10. NC School of Advanced Bodywork, Inc., approved for 2 years
11. Southeastern Institute, approved for 2 years
12. Therapeutic Massage Training Institute, approved for 2 years

The following five schools did not have to renew in 2012 but are scheduled to renew in 2013:

1. American & European Massage Clinic, Inc.
2. Asheville School of Massage & Yoga
3. Body Therapy Institute
4. Center for Massage & Natural Health
5. The Healing Arts & Massage School

Upon motion made, seconded and passed the Board added College of Wilmington to the list of approved schools.

Establishment Regulation Committee

Mr. Herman reported the Committee met May 18, 2012, and discussed the matters set forth in the minutes of the Committee.

Communications Committee

Ms. Davis reported the Committee met June 19, 2012 by conference call, and discussed the matters set forth in the minutes of the Committee.

FAQs

The Committee informed the Board that the FAQs are in the process of being placed on the Board's website.

Public Education Campaign

Ms. Davis advised the Board that the draft for the video script will be given to the Committee for review. The Committee advised the Board there will be three thirty second video spots. The topics addressed will be: NC Massage and Bodywork Therapy License versus National Certification, ethical questions and boundaries, and reporting complaints to the Board. The Committee will develop the final pre-draft scripts by July 10, 2012. The Committee estimates expenses to be between \$900 and \$1200.

Jurisprudence Learning Exercise Committee

Ms. Frye reported the Committee met June 20, 2012, and discussed the matters set forth in the minutes of the Committee.

The Committee advised the Board of the Jurisprudence Learning Exercise status. The Committee will contact the IT manager to see if a report can be developed to show the number of times it takes an applicant to complete the exam and most/least difficult questions. There will be 25 more questions added to the Jurisprudence Learning Exercise.

Licensing Boards Coordination Committee

There are no written reports.

OLD BUSINESS

Public Education Campaign

Ms. Huffman advised the Board to provide feedback for the public campaign page to Mr. Wilkins by June 28, 2012.

FSMTB

Massage Envy's Donation

The Board discussed the letter showing Massage Envy's cash donation to the FSMTB and its disapproval towards FSMTB accepting the donation. Mr. Wilkins advised the Board that the Board cannot accept donations because the Board can only be funded by the applicants and licensees. Upon motion made, seconded and passed, the Board agreed to write a letter to the FSMTB expressing ethical concerns for accepting the Massage Envy donation, requesting the FSMTB refund the donation to Massage Envy and share the letter with other member Boards. The Board will wait for a response from the FSMTB and will follow up if the money is not refunded. Upon motion made, seconded and passed, if the donation is not refunded, the Board will ask for a response on how the donation does not show a conflict of interest.

Federation recruitment

The FSMTB is in the process of recruiting candidates for its Board of Directors.

NCBMBT resolution

The Board discussed its resolution to the FSMTB to recommend development of a continued education approval program. Upon motion made, seconded and passed, the Board will submit the resolution to the FSMTB for the 2012 annual meeting with proposed changes.

NCBTMB

The Board reviewed a letter from the NCBTMB advising of a revocation of approval of an approved provider.

NEW BUSINESS

Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation (CLEAR)

The CLEAR Annual Meeting will be held September 6-8, 2012 in San Francisco, CA.

FSMTB Annual Meeting

The FSMTB Annual Meeting will be held September 27-29, 2012 in New Orleans, LA. Ms. Huffman advised the Board members to send an email, if interested in attending.

Citizens Advocacy Center

The CAC conference was held June 12 & 13, 2012 in Washington, DC. There were no attendees from the Board.

Election of new board members

Upon appropriate nomination and vote, the Board elected Dr. Edwin Preston to serve as Chair, Ms. Darinda Davis to serve as Vice Chair and Mr. Josh Herman to serve as Treasurer.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board received comments from the public.

CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and passed, and pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(1), (3) and (7) as well as NCGS 143-318.18(6), the Board went into Closed Session at 11:25 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made, seconded and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Dr. Edwin Preston, Chair

Josh Herman, Treasurer