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MICHIGAN BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

JULY 10, 2017 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Massage Therapy met on July 10, 2017, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Nicole Lennox, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Nicole Lennox, LMT, Chairperson, Professional Member
Tiffany Gennety, LMT, Professional Member
Terese Hunter, Public Member
Judy Robinson, Public Member
JT Stout, LMT, Professional Member
Lynn Wolf, LMT, Professional Member

Members Absent: Katie Kiter, Public Member
Charlie Franklin, LMT, Professional Member
Beth Miazga, LMT, Professional Member
Rachael Viitala, LMT, Professional Member

Staff Present: LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section
Weston MacIntosh, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
Karen Carpenter, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
Laury Brown, Analyst, Compliance Section

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Stout, seconded by Gennety, to approve the agenda, as presented.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Stout, seconded by Gennety to approve the January 9, 2017 meeting minutes, with a correction on page 3, under Public Comment. It should read *American Massage Therapy Association*.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

American Massage Therapy Association – Michigan Chapter Presentation

Nancy Levitt and Michael Krombeen gave a presentation on what the American Massage Therapy Association (AMTA) is and the benefits of having a membership. They also informed the Board of current projects they are working on.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Laina Lisa Tso, MT – Petition for Reinstatement

MOTION by Wolf, seconded by Stout, to grant the Petition for Reinstatement and place Respondent on probation for one year with continuing education pre-approved by the Board chair or designee, in the following areas: ethics and practical hands on skills course from a school other than the one previously attended in Michigan. Respondent must not violate the Public Health Code. Respondent will be automatically discharged from probation providing successful compliance with terms.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Hunter, Lennox, Robinson, Stout, Wolf, Gennety
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

HPRP Appointment

Carpenter explained to the Board the qualifications required for a candidate on the HPRC. She advised the Board to identify a member of the Massage Therapy profession, who is not currently a member of the board, as a candidate for the appointment.

HPRP Annual Report

Karen Carpenter, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section, presented the Health Professional Recovery Program (HPRP) Annual Report and discussed statistics of participants in the program from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

Master Resolution

MacIntosh summarized the information on the Master Resolution draft and explained the proposed changes.

MOTION by Hunter, seconded by Gennety, to approve the changes to the Master Resolution.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Hunter, Lennox, Robinson, Stout, Wolf, Gennety
 Nays: None

Chair Report

None

Department Update

MacIntosh introduced himself to the Board and notified them of several staffing changes. Cheryl Pezon, JD, is now the Deputy Director for the Bureau of Professional Licensing. Kerry Przybylo, JD, is now the Manager of the Boards and Committees Section. Forrest Pasanski is now the Division Director for the Enforcement Division.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sonja Way from the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards thanked the Board for renewing their membership. She highlighted services that they offer.

Karen Armstrong from the Federation of State Massage Therapy thanked the Board for their membership.

Michael Krombeen from the American Massage Therapy Association indicated that the LARA application needs to be updated to reflect recent Legislative changes. He also expressed concern that there are unlicensed individuals engaging in suspicious massage therapy related activities that should be investigated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lennox informed the Board that the Federation of State Massage Therapy annual conference is coming up and one member can attend.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held October 9, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa Street, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Stout, seconded by Wolf, to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on 10-9-17.

Prepared by:

LeAnn Payne, Board Support

July 14, 2017