



STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH  
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## **MICHIGAN BOARD OF MASSAGE THERPY MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2010**

### **APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Massage Therapy met in regular session on September 27, 2010, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

### ***CALL TO ORDER***

Karen Armstrong, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

### ***ROLL CALL***

#### ***Members Present:***

Karen Armstrong, Chairperson  
Michael Ryan, Vice-Chairperson  
Dennis Hilton-Scheffler  
Bilky Joda-Miller  
Jodi Kubizna  
Thomas Mackowiak, Public Member  
Harold Rudnianin

#### ***Members Absent:***

Timothy Bograkos, Public Member  
Mary Ericson  
Tiffany Hartung, Pubic Member  
Amanda West, Public Member

#### ***Staff Present:***

Bonnie Curtis, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division  
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Health Regulatory Division  
(arrived 10:55 a.m.)  
Desmond Mitchell, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division

#### ***Others Present:***

Bruce Froelich  
Kathy Seelye  
Teresa Edwards  
Kathy Gauthier – Irene's  
Eric Crytzer – Irene's

Dusty Fancher – Midwest  
Seth Koehler – Midwest  
Kate Selig – Solspring  
Bonnie Guldea - Solspring

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

***Motion*** by Hilton-Scheffler, seconded by Rudnianin, to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2010 meeting as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

***Motion*** by Joda-Miller, seconded by Rudnianin, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***OLD BUSINESS***

### **DISCUSSION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

Members reviewed the current draft of the administrative rules. There was extensive discussion regarding supervised student clinic.

***Motion*** by Rudnianin, seconded by Joda-Miller, to require a minimum of two hundred and fifty (250) classroom hours, including forty (40) hours in pathology, to be completed prior to starting clinic.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

There was extensive discussion regarding supervisor to student ratio. There will be further discussion of this issue at the next meeting.

Members discussed the issue of allowing community events as part of the curriculum.

***Motion*** by Rudnianin, seconded by Ryan, to allow up to five (5) hours of off-site supervised student clinic at community events.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

Armstrong recessed the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Armstrong called the meeting to order at 11:16 a.m.

Discussion of rules continued. There was further extensive discussion regarding prohibited conduct and advertising.

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

### **DISCUSSION REGARDING DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Tabled until the next meeting.

### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

No report.

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

Fancher expressed concern regarding the five (5) hours of clinic that would be allowed at community events and wondered if that would be allowed as the hours would not be specifically in a classroom.

Froelich suggested that the department contact some other states to inquire how they handle display of license numbers at businesses that employ numerous massage therapists.

Gauthier expressed concern regarding the student-teacher ratio and believed it should be lower than the ratio the board was discussing. She stated that she believes the ratio should not be more than 10-1.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

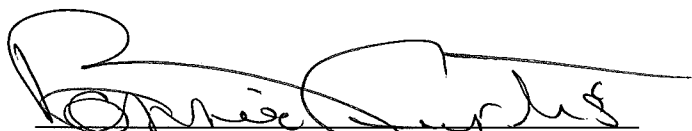
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on October 26, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

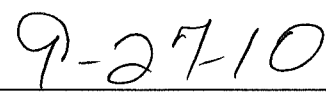
## ***ADJOURNMENT***

**Motion** by Rudninanin, seconded by Ryan, to adjourn the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

  
Karen Armstrong, Chairperson

  
Date minutes approved

  
Bonnie Curtis, Secretary

  
Date minutes prepared