



STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH  
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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY OCTOBER 26, 2010 MEETING

### 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 October 26, 2010, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Karen Armstrong, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Karen Armstrong, Chairperson  
Michael Ryan, Vice-Chairperson  
Mary Ericson  
Dennis Hilton-Scheffler  
Bilky Joda-Miller  
Thomas Mackowiak, Public Member  
Harold Rudnianin  
Amanda West, Public Member

**Members Absent:** Timothy Bograkos, Public Member  
Tiffany Hartung, Public Member  
Jodi Kubizna

**Staff Present:** Amy Allen, Policy Administration Manager, Health Regulatory Division  
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Health Regulatory Division  
Desmond Mitchell, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division

**Others Present:** Mary Wagner  
Dusty Fancher - Midwest  
Ulyana Maystrenko - LCC  
Bruce Froelich  
Jonathon Burt - Everest Institute

C. Charbeneau-Waller - Everest Institute  
Monique Ashley - Everest Institute  
Patrick Hodges-Clemons - Everest Institute  
Charlonda Cox - Everest Institute  
Christopher Wilson - Everest Institute  
Kierra Terry - Everest Institute  
Brittany Daunon - Everest Institute  
Joseph Reynolds - Everest Institute  
Trina Miller - Everest Institute  
Dwayne Muhammad - Everest Institute  
Charlie McGee - Everest Institute  
Starlashay Townsel - Everest Institute  
Christopher Ward - Everest Institute  
Kristina Rucker - Everest Institute  
Dazman Gowens - Everest Institute  
Brittney Bellman - Everest Institute  
James Wade - Everest Institute  
Jasmine Clark - Everest Institute  
Marissa Daniel - Everest Institute  
Rayshawnda Riley - Everest Institute  
Tisha McNeil - Everest Institute  
Destiny Stillwagon - Everest Institute  
Marc McKinney - Everest Institute  
James McCarty - Everest Institute  
Keyartay Washington - Everest Institute  
Martinez Pitchford, Jr - Everest Institute  
Derrick Gaskins - Everest Institute  
Deshia Duvall - Everest Institute  
Brianna Bankston - Everest Institute  
Allysia Wyatt - Everest Institute  
Anita Norwood - Everest Institute  
Lisa Christenson -Woodhouse Day Spa  
Monique White - Everest Institute  
Carlos Eldred - Everest Institute  
Samuel Smith - Everest Institute  
Michael Green - Everest Institute

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Rudnianin, seconded by Ryan, to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2010 meeting as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*MOTION* by Joda-Miller, seconded by West, to approve the agenda with the following correction:

The next meeting has been scheduled for November 15, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **DISCUSSION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

The October 25, 2010 draft was presented to the board for discussion.

Ericson inquired at what point the licensure requirement takes precedence over local ordinances requiring a local license or permit. Allen advised that the Department would look into that and report back to the Board.

Allen advised that the deadline to apply for licensure under the grandparenting clause in the Massage Therapy legislation will elapse on January 9, 2011. The Department is seeking a legislative amendment to change this deadline.

Discussion of the October 25<sup>th</sup> draft continued. There was lengthy discussion regarding the number of hours of classroom instruction a student should complete before beginning supervised clinic work. After much discussion, there was consensus among the Board members that 250 hours of classroom instruction, as currently stated in the draft, should be completed before beginning clinical work.

The meeting recessed at 11:05 a.m. due to a tornado warning.

The meeting resumed at 11:20 a.m.

Discussion regarding the proposed rules continued.

Mitchell will prepare a new draft for discussion at the November meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2010 FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Future dates for 2010 are as follows:

Monday, November 15, 2010 @ 9:30 a.m.  
Tuesday, December 7, 2010 @ 9:30 a.m.

## DEPARTMENT UPDATE

No report.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jonathon Burt inquired how to obtain a current instructor license and described a situation that Everest Institute is dealing with in the city of Detroit. Board members indicated that he would have to apply through the Department of Education. Mitchell advised Burt that he could speak with Board members further about this after the meeting.

Ulyana Maystrenko stated that 1 instructor to 12-15 students is a workable ratio in a supervised student clinic. She described her process for supervising students during a student clinic. She suggested that the prerequisite for starting clinic should be based on specific criteria rather than simply having completed 250 hours of classroom instruction. Maystrenko stated that it is beneficial for students to start interacting with the public as soon as the student is adequately prepared. Maystrenko also inquired if the licensure law prevents students from providing massage therapy services at non-school/education-related functions.

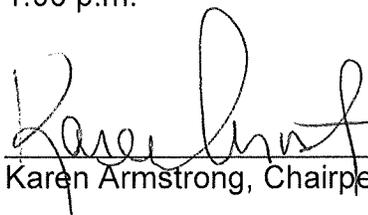
Burt commented that he hopes the Board is able to reach an agreement as soon as possible regarding the requirements for student clinics.

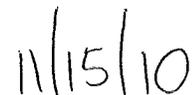
## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on November 15, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

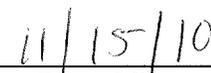
## **ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION* by Rudnianin, seconded by Hilton-Scheffler, to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

  
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Karen Armstrong, Chairperson

  
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Date Minutes Approved

  
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Amy Allen, Policy Administration Manager

  
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Date Minutes Prepared