



RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LANSING

MIKE ZIMMER
DIRECTOR

MICHIGAN BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
OCTOBER 5, 2015 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Massage Therapy met on October 5, 2015, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Terese Hunter, Vice-Chairperson, Public Member, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Terese Hunter, Vice-Chairperson, Public Member
Charlie Franklin, LMT
Donald Bowman, MT
Katie Kiter, Public Member
Nicole Lennox, LMT
Beth Miazga, LMT
J.T. Stout, MT

Members Absent: Melissa Mueller, CMT, Chairperson
Tiffany Gennety, LMT
Jill Murphy, Public Member
Teresa Rivard, Public Member

Staff Present: Amy Schneider, Secretary, Board and Committees Section
Michael Siracuse, Policy Analyst, Board and Committees Section
Forrest Pasanski, Regulation Section Manager
Krista Sheroski, Analyst, Enforcement Division

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Kiter, seconded by Stout, to approve the July 6, 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Joshua J. Fields, CMT – Proposal for Decision

MOTION by Stout, seconded by Miazga, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny licensure in the matter of Joshua J. Fields, CMT.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Franklin, Bowman, Kiter, Lennox,
Miazga, Stout, Hunter

MOTION PREVAILED

Jennifer Mae Zemaitis – Proposal for Decision

MOTION by Stout, seconded by Bowman, to accept the Proposal for Decision and accept in part and reject in part in the matter of Jennifer Mae Zemaitis.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Bowman, Stout,
Nays: Franklin, Kiter, Lennox, Miazga, Hunter

MOTION FAILED

MOTION by Bowman, seconded by Franklin, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny licensure in the matter of Jennifer Mae Zemaitis.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Franklin, Bowman, Kiter, Lennox,
Miazga, Hunter
Nays: Stout

MOTION PREVAILED

Stephanie Jo Alberts – Proposal for Decision/Intent to Deny

MOTION by Bowman, seconded by Lennox, to accept the Proposal for Decision/Intent to Deny and deny licensure in the matter of Stephanie Jo Alberts.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Franklin, Bowman, Kiter, Lennox,
Miazga, Stout, Hunter

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

HPRC Appointment

Siracuse informed the Board that a representative is needed for the Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) to represent the Board of Massage Therapy. Any interested and eligible individual may send their letter of interest and curriculum vitae to Michael Siracuse at SiracuseM@michigan.gov. Current Board members cannot serve on the HPRC.

Request for approval by applicant Holmes

MOTION by Stout, seconded by Lennox, to approve the applicant's request for waiver of GED requirement of licensure.

Discussion was held.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Department Update

Administrative Rulemaking Process

Siracuse distributed a hand-out entitled "Administrative Rules Process in a Nutshell." He provided an overview of same.

Siracuse informed that the Administrative Rules will be returned to the Rules Committee for further review as one rule needs clarification.

Stout thanked Siracuse for his assistance with the Administrative Rules.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Janine McKay stated the importance of receiving "official transcripts" from training programs and should be enforced.

Kristina Ekern inquired about the definition of continuing education professional development.

Deanna Oliver commented that for her RN program, she was required to prove education requirements and suggested this should apply to the profession of massage therapy.

Kathleen Jacob would like to see a board approved and practicing continuing education provider to practice in the state of Michigan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 4, 2016 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 Bowman, seconded by Kiter, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

MOTION PREVAILED

Tiffany Gornett - CHAIR

1-4-16

signed for Terese Hunter

Terese Hunter, Vice-Chairperson

Date Minutes Signed

Prepared by:

Amy Schneider, Board Secretary

October 5, 2015