



ALABAMA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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MINUTES Board Meeting Friday, February 24, 2012

The Alabama Board of Massage Therapy met on Friday, February 24, 2012, at the Board Offices, located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, in order to conduct business. The following Board members were in attendance: Mr. Michael Stephens, Chair, Mr. Lance Gilliland, Vice Chair, Ms. Gwen Motley, Mr. Willie DeVold, and Mr. Foad Araiinejad. Members not in attendance were Ms. Donna Sertell and Ms. Angel Stacey. Also in attendance were Mr. Keith E. Warren, Executive Director, Mr. Bill Garrett, Legal Counsel (10:35 a.m.), Mr. Nick Vonderau, Administrator, Mr. Mike James, Investigator, and Ms. Renee' Reames (Executive Secretary to Mr. Warren). A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

Public notice of this change in meeting date was published on the Secretary of State's web site at www.sos.alabama.gov in accordance with the requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act and advertised on the Board's web site at www.almtd.alabama.gov.

A copy of the January 20, 2012, Board meeting minutes was provided to the Board members prior to the meeting for their review. Mr. DeVold made a motion to approve the minutes as presented (available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented a list of establishments inspected in 2012. Mr. James commented on the process in following-up on violations. The Board thanked Mr. James for his good work.

Mr. Warren reported that five Administrative Complaint Notices had been mailed to individuals and 3 cases were being settled. One individual had not been successfully notified and attempts would be made to serve them personally. A consent agreement had been received from Santa Fe Day Spa and a fine of \$2000 received. Mr. Gilliland made a motion to accept the settlement and consent agreement with Santa Fe Day Spa. The motion was seconded by Mr. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board, with Mr. DeVold abstaining.

Mr. Gilliland made a motion to approve the new applications for Massage Therapist licenses as presented (a list of the approved applications is available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. DeVold made a motion to approve the Massage Therapy School Instructors as presented (a list of the approved applications is available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. Araiinejad and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Araiinejad made a motion to approve the Continuing Education Provider applications as presented (a list is available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported that Virginia College-Huntsville's application was renewed following verification that the Director would not be instructing.

Mr. Warren reported that two requests for exemption had been received. The Board members reviewed the establishment exemption request from an individual serving as an occupational health nurse in a carpet manufacturing plant. Ms. Motley made a motion to approve the exemption request since this individual will not be directly compensated by individuals and the massage therapy services are not primary to the employer's business. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board also reviewed an exemption request for an establishment license for a mobile massage therapy services. Ms. Motley made a motion to not approve the request for exemption of having an establishment license. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported that the Board's newsletter would be mailed in March to licensees. He indicated that future newsletters would be sent electronically and that the licensees are requested to provide the Board a current email address.

Mr. Warren reported that the next meeting of FSMTB will be held in New Orleans on September 27-29, 2012. Mr. Araiinejad reported that the American Massage Conference and American Chiropractic Conference will meet in San Diego in April.

Mr. Garrett arrived at 10:35 a.m. due to a scheduling conflict.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is April 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Mr. DeVold made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:44 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gilliland and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael S. Stephens

Chair



Keith E. Warren

Executive Director