



ALABAMA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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MINUTES Board Meeting Friday, May 10, 2013

The Alabama Board of Massage Therapy met on Friday, May 10, 2013 at the Board Office located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, in order to conduct regular business. The following members were in attendance: Mr. Michael Stephens, Chair, Mr. Lance Gilliland, Vice Chair, Mr. Foad Araiinejad, member, Ms. Gwen Motley, member and Mr. Willie DeVold, member. Members not in attendance were Ms. Donna Sertell and Ms. Angel Stacey. Also in attendance was Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Director), Bill Garrett (Board Counsel arrived 10:12), Mr. Randy Barrows (Administrator), Mike James (Investigator) and Ms. Renee' Reames (Executive Secretary to Mr. Warren). A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Public notice of this meeting 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.almtbd.alabama.gov.

The minutes from the February 8, 2013 meeting were presented to the Board members for their review. Mr. Gilliland 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 Mr. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Director's Report, to include the Financial Report (payment vouchers and deposits available for viewing in the Board's Official Book of Minutes) and current number of licensees and number of active complaints. Mr. Warren commented that some complaints were handled with a letter of reprimand, as allowed by Board Rules. Mr. Gilliland made the motion to approve the Executive Director Report and Financial Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented a list of establishment inspections conducted by Mr. James, Board investigator, from January to May 2013, which totaled 117 inspections.

Mr. Warren updated the Board on proposed HB 290 for the Massage Therapy Board, which had gone through both the House and Senate, but still pending final vote by the Legislature. He reported that if the Bill is approved, the Board Rules will have to be modified in accordance with the changes in the statute.

Mr. Warren reported that he had reviewed new applications for Massage Therapist license and presented one (1) application for special review by the Board. Mr. Warren reported that this applicant was reprimanded by the Tennessee licensing board for lack of continuing education credits, but the violation had been corrected and this individual is in good standing with Tennessee licensing board. Mr. Gilliland made a motion to approve the application for licensing. The motion was seconded by Mr. Araiinejad and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Araiinejad made a motion to approve the applications for Massage Therapy Instructor license as presented (a list of the approved application 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. The Board discussed increasing the fee for an instructor license.

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

Mr. Araiinejad made a motion to approve the application for Massage Therapy School as presented to the Board (a list of the approved application 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. Araiinejad made a motion to approve the Continuing Education Provider applications 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. Gilliland and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented a request for an establishment license exemption (available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). Mr. Araiinejad made a motion to deny the application for exemption. The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren requested recommendations from the Board for potential board member to serve from congressional District 7.

The next meeting of the Board will be August 9, 2013.

There was no further business and Mr. DeVold made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and Mr. Stephens adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael S. Stephens
Chair



Keith E. Warren
Executive Director