

ALABAMA Massage Therapy Licensing Board

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

RSA Plaza Suite 350

Montgomery, Alabama

October 18, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 8:26 a.m. on Friday, October 18, 2024.

The following members were present: Victoria Lavender, MSN, RN, President; Janice Seip, CRNA, Vice-President; Cynthia Buford, LPN, Secretary; Cherry Rodgers, LPN; Clint Witherington, Consumer; Sabria Danielle Baker, RN; Sarah “Mandy” Mims, LPN and Executive Officer Peggy Benson. Members absent were Kristi Acker, PhD, DNP, MSN; Louise O’Keefe, PhD, CRNP, CNE; Tochie Lofton, DNP, RN, CMSRN, ACNR-BC; Deborah “Pepper” Hoover, MSN, FNP, RN; Gabriel Sapalaran, Jr., MSN, RN and Karron Armstrong, LPN.

Staff members attending the meeting were: Honor Ingels, Administrative Director-ABN Center for Nursing Excellence; Alice Maples Henley, Deputy Attorney General/General Counsel; Patrick Samuelson, Senior Assistant General Counsel; Amy Williams, Attorney; Joyce Jeter, MSN, RN, Director of Practice, CE and Licensure; Brad Jones, IT System Specialist Senior; Taylor Thomas, Legal Research Assistant, Recorder; Teresa Williamson, Docket Clerk, Recorder; Pamela Smith, DNP, MSN, RN, Administrative Director of Education Programs; Christie Melton, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing Education; Tara Armstead, Attorney III and Klisha Potts, Paralegal.

Visitors attending the meeting were: Gang Wang, Green Massage; Donna Wilson, The Pretty Parlour and Alice Willis, ADN.

B. Declaration of Quorum

A quorum of seven (7) Board members was present on Friday, October 18, 2024.

C. Statement of Compliance with Open Meetings Act and active electronic recording in compliance with ACT 2024-361

Prior notice of the meeting was posted on the Secretary of State's website in accordance with the Alabama Open meetings Act.

D. Review of Full Agenda

1. Additions, Modifications, Reordering

NONE

2. REORDERING, MODIFICATION, OR ADOPTION AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- II.A. September 20, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes
- III.A. Board Action Follow-up
- VI.A.1. Executive Officer Report None
- VI.A.2. FYI
- VI.B.1. General Counsel Report
- VII.A. Education Report

On October 18, 2024, Ms. Seip moved that the Board adopt the Consent Agenda. Ms. Rodgers seconded. Motion carried without objection.

3. REORDERING, MODIFICATIONS, ADDITIONS, OR ADOPTION OF FULL AGENDA

On October 18, 2024, Ms. Rodgers moved that the Board adopt the Full Agenda as amended. Ms. Buford seconded. Motion carried without objection.

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES

A. September 20, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes

The minutes of September 20, 2024, Board meeting was accepted on the Consent Agenda.

III. OLD BUSINESS/FOLLOW-UP

A. Board Action Follow-up

None

IV. BOARD PRESENTATIONS

A. PRESENTATIONS/REVIEW

None

V. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. NONE

VI. REPORTS

A. Executive Officer

1. Report

None

2. FYI

None

B. Executive Committee

1. None

C. Legal Division

1. General Counsel/Deputy Attorney General Reports

None

2. Investigations Report

None

VII. AMTLB EDUCATION PROGRAMS

A. Education Report

A written report on massage education was accepted, as information, on the Consent Agenda.

B. Program Termination Report if indicated.

None

VIII. POLICY

A. NONE

IX. LICENSURE APPROVALS

A. RENEWAL APPROVAL ALL

Ms. Jeter reported that the renewals for September 19, 2024, through October 18, 2024, were granted in compliance with approved Board policies.

Applicant	Name	License Type	License Status	Fee Type/Paid	Met Requirements
1	Rachel Mims	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
2	Lisa Ayers	MT	Active	Establishment Renewal (\$50)	Yes
3	Megan Hollander	MT	Active	Establishment Renewal (\$50); Late Fee (\$25)	Yes
4	Christopher Miller	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100); Late Fee (\$25)	Yes
5	Melissa Oblawski	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
6	Brianna Casey	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes

7	Mary Philips	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
8	Claudia Tirado	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
9	Amber Young	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
10	Alixandra Teissere	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
11	Haiyang Yu	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
12	Kirk Hicks	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
13	AIM Therapy	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	yes
14	Sharon Kalongo	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
15	Suzanna Costanzo	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes

16	Chuan Ping Tang	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
17	Myranda Vandiver	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
18	Yin Fen Zheng	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
19	Toyal Walker	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
20	Katherine Ecklund	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
21	Amber Womack	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
22	Kevin Hawkins	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
23	Tranquil Spa	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
24	Xue Ping Ma	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes

25	Ying Su	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
26	Be Balanced Wholistic Day Spa	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
27	Amanda McFadden	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
28	Jackie Stone Therapeutic Massage	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
29	Soothing Palms Therapeutic Massage	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
30	Embody Birmingham, LLC	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
31	Amanda Vallandingham	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
32	Rachel Weeks	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
33	Anna Deal	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes

34	Wonderfully Made Massage	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
35	Salon 528	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
36	Elaine Collins	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
37	Wendy McCants	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
38	Richard Myers	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
39	Rachel Baugh	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
40	Shoulin Yao	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
41	Beth Friedrichs	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
42	Hongyan Wang	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes

43	Renewed Life Massage Therapy	E	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
44	Yu-Yen W. Kilgo	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
45	Lakota Domenick	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
46	Harmony Ryan	MT	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
47	Yongqing Yin	MT 5602	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal(\$100)	Yes
48	Spa Therapy	E-2580	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$50)	Yes
49	Mary Yates	MT 2637	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes
50	DY Foot Spa	E-3515	Active	Massage Therapist Renewal (\$100)	Yes

On October 18, 2024, Ms. Seip moved that the Board approve the ratification of massage therapy renewal applications. Mr. Witherington seconded. Motion carried without objection.

B. INITIAL LICENSURE APPROVAL (ALL)

Ms. Jeter reported that the Initial Licensure Massage Therapists

meet the requirements of licensure in the AMTLB Administrative Code.

Applicant	Name	License Type	License Status	Fee Type/Paid	Met Requirements
1	Yan Chen Vargas	MT	Pending Board Approval	Massage Therapist License (\$100)	Yes
2	Cedric Abney	MT	Pending Board Approval	Massage Therapist License (\$100)	Yes
3	Wenmei Zhang	MT	Pending Board Approval	Massage Therapist License (\$100)	Yes
4	Stacy Fuller	MT	Pending Board Approval	Massage Therapist License (\$100)	Yes
5	Chloe Gao	MT	Pending Board Approval	Instructor License (\$100)	Yes
6	Tamora Ward	MT	Pending Board Approval	Massage Therapist License (\$100)	Yes
7	Xiao Huang	MT	Pending Board Approval	Massage Therapist License (\$100)	Yes
8	Zhiyong Sun	MT	Pending Board Approval	Massage Therapist License (\$100)	Yes

On October 18, 2024, Ms. Buford moved that the Board approve the issuance of initial licensure per application. Ms. Rodgers seconded. Motion carried without objection.

C. NEW ESTABLISHMENT INITIAL LICENSURE APPROVAL (ALL)

Ms. Jeter reported that the establishments for initial licensure must be present on the day of the Board meeting to satisfy the requirements of licensure. The purpose is for the Board to review and ask questions, if needed, of the pending Massage Therapy Establishment license applicants, as required by Alabama Massage Therapy Licensing Board Administrative Code 532-X-4.

Applicant	Name	License Type	License Status	Fee Type/Paid	Met Requirements
1	Green Massage	E	Pending Board Approval	Establishment License Fee (\$100)	Yes
<p>On October 18, 2024, Ms. Buford moved that the Board approve Green Massage the issuance initial licensure. Ms. Baker seconded. Motion carried without objection.</p>					
2	The Pretty Parlour	E	Pending Board Approval	Establishment License Fee (\$100)	Yes
<p>On October 18, 2024, Ms. Buford moved that the Board approve The Pretty Parlour the issuance initial licensure. Ms. Baker seconded. Motion carried without objection.</p>					
3	La Bella Skin & Wellness – (didn't show for last board, invite)	E	Pending Board Approval	Establishment License Fee (\$100)	Yes
<p>On October 18, 2024, no one was present for the La Bella Skin and Wellness. The application will be deferred until the next meeting.</p>					

D. Licensure Report

1. None

X. CONTINUING EDUCATION

A. None

XI. DISCIPLINARY CASES – Executive Session, to follow completion of

Agenda, October 18, 2024, if indicated

1. Discipline Committee Recommendations if indicated/None

XII. NEXT MEETING DATE November 15, 2024, 770 Washington Avenue, RSA Plaza, Montgomery, Alabama, Suite 350

XIII. OTHER

A. AMTLB EO Update

Ms. Benson present a brief update related to massage therapy and continued financial issues.

XIV. BOARD MEETING DEBRIEFING

- A. New Board Members (How can we help?)
- B. Meeting Process: What can we improve/change?

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The AMTLB Board meeting adjourned at 8:39 a.m. on Friday, October 18, 2024.

Victoria Lavender, MSN, RN
President

Cynthia Buford, LPN
Secretary

Submitted by: _____
Tonya Smith 10/24