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## Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy

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De Mario Vaughn, LMT; Nancy Gath, Public Member; Daniel Pozefsky, Public Member  
Dennis Beye, LMT, Susan Pomfret, LMT, Craig Runbeck, NMD, Executive Director

### *Minutes* BOARD MEETING

July 23, 2007 10:00 a.m.  
1400 West Washington St, B1  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

#### 1. **Call to Order by Presiding Officer**

Mr. Pozefsky, Chair called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

- A. Roll call of Board members was done to establish a quorum to conduct the meeting.

Board Members present: Daniel Pozefsky, Chair and Public Member  
Susan Pomfret, LMT  
Nancy Gath, Public Member

Board Members absent: Dennis Beye, Vice Chair, LMT  
De Mario R. Vaughn, LMT

- C. Acknowledgement of presence of Board staff and legal counsel.

Assistant Attorney General: Michelle Wood was absent

Board Staff: Dr. Craig Runbeck, Executive Director  
Robert Wilson, Deputy Director  
Stan Conger, Investigator  
Dee Doyle, Licensing Administrator

#### 2. **Call to the Public**

Mr. Pozefsky, gave a call to the public at 10:05 am

No public addressed the board.

#### 3. **Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action of Consent Agenda** (*Any item under consent may be removed for independent discussion and action by a Board Member.*)

- A. Approval of Minutes: June 25, 2007 board meeting  
B. Approval of Executive Session Minutes: June 23, 2007 board meeting  
C. Approval of Board Subcommittee Meeting Minutes: June 23, 2007  
D. Approval of Massage Therapy Application(s) July 141

**MOTION:** Ms. Pomfret moved to approve the consent agenda as listed above, Ms. Gath seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** The Motion Passed 3 ayes, 0 no, 2 absent

#### 4. **Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action of Regulatory Matters**

A. Board Review – Licensing

1. Holly From – application for licensure review

Ms. From was present at the board meeting to answer questions from the board.

Ms. Doyle summarized this case for the board. Ms. From applied for licensure with the board in June 07, the board received verification from the Illinois state

Board stating that Ms. From has a consent agreement with them and is on probation.

The Board asked questions of Ms. From to which she responded. The Board offered Ms. From a consent agreement with two years probation, a six hour ethics course and a \$500 civil penalty as means of being licensed in the state of Arizona.

The Board Tabled this matter until the next board meeting to give Ms. From an opportunity to review a proposed consent agreement.

**5. Discussion and Consideration and Possible Action on Administrative Matters**

A. Massage license status report

Dr. Runbeck updated the board on the license status to date.

Active licensee's	8,823	Closed expired/withdrawn	157	Revoked	4
Denied	18	Pending	199	Suspended	2
Voluntarily Surrendered	3	Total application received	9,914		

Renewed - 2,258

Renewals Expired – 693

B. Subcommittee on Continuing Education to convene directly after the board meeting.

1. Whether or not the current laws and rules, meet the needs of the profession, the individual therapist and the public. Topics include but are not limited to: what is considered acceptable CE, verification of CE, and carry forward of CE.

Mr. Wilson summarized the subcommittee's last meeting. The discussion was mainly defining the scope of practice and what they want to accept in the way of continuing education for massage. The Board discussed how many hours should be in an ethics class and the possibility of making ethics available online for free. Mr. Wilson has spoken to the National Certification Board regarding some of the courses they have approved that do not relate to the practice of massage.

D. Continuing Education Tracking Services Agreement – CE Brokers

Dr. Runbeck updated the board on the process for obtaining CE Brokers and the procurement bidding process that must take place or for CE Brokers to apply for a state of Arizona contract so that other agencies could also utilize their services.

C. Board direction for reciprocity parameters regarding what is to be "substantially equivalent".

Dr. Runbeck updated the board on the new law changes with the change from 500 hours to 700. Also the reciprocity parameters regarding what the board interprets "substantially equivalent" to be.

E. Discussion regarding the Board establishing a massage curriculum for Arizona.

Mr. Wilson let the board members know that at the last sub committee meeting; discussion on establishing a massage curriculum for schools in Arizona to establish uniformity for Massage Therapist. However this is done by the accrediting body's that the schools are accredited through.

**6. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Correspondence**

A. Correspondence received from Debra Persinger, Ph.D. Executive Director, Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards, MBLEx outline

Dr. Runbeck summarized the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards outline for the MBLEx exam.

B. Correspondence received from Patrick Shannahan, Ombudsman-Citizens' Aide and response to Preliminary Report

Dr. Runbeck summarized the correspondence received from Mr. Shannahan.

Mr. Pozefsky asked that an update on unlicensed massage therapist be put on the next agenda for discussion.

The next scheduled meeting is September 24, 2007

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am

ADJOURNMENT

*Craig Rumbak, MAO*

Arizona Board of Massage Therapy

September 28, 2007

Date