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## Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy

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Dennis Beye, LMT, Susan Pomfret, LMT, Craig Runbeck, NMD, Executive Director

### *Minutes* BOARD MEETING

June 25, 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 10:02am.

- 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  
Dennis Beye, Vice Chair, LMT  
Susan Pomfret, LMT  
Nancy Gath, Public Member  
De Mario R. Vaughn, LMT

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

Assistant Attorney General: Michelle Wood

Board Staff: Dr. Craig Runbeck, Executive Director  
Robert Wilson, Deputy Director  
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: April 23, 2007 board meeting  
B. Approval of Executive Session Minutes: January 22, 2007 board meeting  
C. Approval of Board Subcommittee Meeting Minutes: April 23, 2007  
D. Approval of Massage Therapy Application(s) May and June 320 names listed

**MOTION:** Mr. Beye moved to approve A through D of the consent agenda, Ms. Gath seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** The Motion Passed 5 ayes, 0 no

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

- A. Board Review – Investigations

1. Update on practice of unlicensed massage: what we can do without the police:

Letter from Assistant Attorney General Michelle Wood

**MOTION:** Ms. Pomfret moved to go into Executive Session to obtain legal advice, Mr. Beye seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** The motion passed 5-0

**The Board convened Executive Session to obtain legal advice at 10:07 am**  
**The Board returned to Regular Session at 10:25 am**

Ms. Wood Assistant Attorney General addressed the board regarding their options on unlicensed massage therapist. She directed staff to set up a template for a cease and desist letter to be sent and signed by the unlicensed practitioner and return to the board, if no response then refer to the appropriate authorities for further action.

Mr. Wilson addressed the board with regards to working with law enforcement to show them the difference from massage and energy work. Ms. Gath asked who enforces this issue.

**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	8,747	Closed expired/withdrawn	157	Revoked	4
Denied	18	Pending	247	Suspended	2
Voluntarily Surrendered	2	Total application received	9,797		
Renewed -	2,017	Renewals Expired –	618		

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.

Ms. Pomfret updated the board on the CE sub-committee discussed at the meeting in April. The following is a list of issues that were covered.

- Carry over CE's – how to achieve
- Determine the scope of acceptable continuing education courses
- How to determine if a class falls within the scope of acceptable subjects
- Using "CE Tracker"

The sub committee will continue to discuss the list above at the meeting scheduled directly after the board meeting. Mr. Wilson will be chairing the meeting in Ms. Pomfret is absence.

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

Dr. Runbeck updated the board on how the minimum hour requirement will impact other licensing states and asked for parameters on "substantially equivalent". Ms. Wood assistant attorney general will be checking into this matter and it will be brought back to the board at the September 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

D. Continuing Education Tracking Services Agreement – CE Brokers

Dr. Runbeck handed out the service agreement with CE Brokers on continuing education tracking. Discussion was made on the pros and cons and minor changes where addressed, Dr. Runbeck will bring it back to the board at the July 23<sup>rd</sup> board meeting for final approval.

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

The Board reviewed the correspondence and responses listed below.

- A. Correspondence received from Carole Jacobson regarding continuing education

The board stated it's the law to pay a fee and complete 25 hours of continuing education to renew a license.

- B. Correspondence received from Carole Ostendorf PhD, Job Task Analysis Chair from National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork.

- C. Correspondence received email from Barbara Grandstaff

- D. Correspondence received email from Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards

Dr. Runbeck addressed the board regarding the correspondence received above and his response to each one.

The next scheduled meeting is July 23, 2007

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am

ADJOURNMENT



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July 25, 2007

Date