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# Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy

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## OPEN SESSION MINUTES FOR MEETING OF THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

**On Monday, July 27, 2020**  
**Held virtually online**

### Board Members

Victoria Bowman, LMT, Chairwoman  
Mlee Clark, LMT, Vice-Chairwoman  
Nicholas L. McLain  
John Ortega  
Kevin Ramsey, LMT

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairwoman Bowman called the Board's meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

The following Board members participated in the virtual meeting: Chairwoman Bowmann, Vice-Chairwoman Clark, Mr. McLain, Mr. Ortega, and Mr. Ramsey.

The following Board staff participated in the virtual meeting: Executive Director Tom Augherton, Senior Investigator Andrew White, Licensing Administrator Tony Wilcox, Minutes Administrator Andrea Cisneros, and Assistant Attorney General (AAG) Seamus Monaghan.

### **III. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No individuals addressed the Board during the Call to the Public.

### **IV. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – A.R.S. § 38-503**

There were no Conflicts of Interest declared by Board members at the start of the Board's meeting.

### **V. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

- A. Massage Board Open Minutes from the June 22, 2020 digital Training Meeting.
- B. Massage Board Open Session Minutes from June 29, 2020 Monthly Meeting.

**MOTION:** Mr. Ramsey moved for the Board to approve the June 22, 2020 Massage Board Digital Training Meeting Open Session, and the June 29, 2020 Massage Board Open Session Minutes.

**SECOND:** Vice-Chairwoman Clark

**VOTE:** The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Vice-Chairwoman Clark, Mr. McLain, Mr. Ortega, and Mr. Ramsey. The following Board member was absent: Chairwoman Bowmann.

**VOTE:** 4-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

**MOTION PASSED.**

**VI. ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

A. Formal Hearing(s)

Vacant

B. Formal Interview(s)

(1) 20-144 Richardson, Joshua

Mr. Richardson and Complainant NW participated in the virtual meeting during the Board's consideration of this matter.

**MOTION:** Mr. Ramsey moved for the Board to adopt the factual allegations in the Board's Investigatory Report as the Findings of Fact and the grounds for disciplinary action as the Conclusions of Law pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-4253.B.2(e) and (g), and issue a disciplinary Board Order for 12 Months License Suspension. Within 12 months from the effective date of this Order, the Respondent shall pay a \$500 Civil Penalty. Respondent shall obtain no less than 12 hours of Board-approved Continuing Education in business ethics and draping, 6 of which shall specifically regard business ethics, to be completed within 12 months from the effective date of this Order. The Respondent shall provide the Board with proof of successful completion of the CE credit hours.

**SECOND:** Vice-Chairwoman Clark

**VOTE:** The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Bowmann, Vice-Chairwoman Clark, Mr. McLain, Mr. Ortega, and Mr. Ramsey.

**VOTE:** 5-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

**MOTION PASSED.**

(2) 20-153 Angel, Chris

KH participated in the virtual meeting during the Board's consideration of this matter. Mr. Angel did not appear and Board staff's attempts to reach him to participate in today's proceedings were unsuccessful.

**MOTION:** Chairwoman Bowmann moved for the Board to continue the Formal Interview to the September 2020 meeting.

**SECOND:** Vice-Chairwoman Clark

**VOTE:** The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Bowmann, Vice-Chairwoman Clark, Mr. McLain, Mr. Ortega, and Mr. Ramsey.

**VOTE:** 5-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

**MOTION PASSED.**

C. Orders for Board Approval

Vacant

D. Probation Termination

Vacant

E. Investigation Review File(s)



Vacant

F. Application Review

Vacant

G. Discussion of ID Cards and CBD Oils

**VII. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

**VIII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MASSAGE BOARD AGENDAS**

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board agendize a discussion topic relating to the licensing renewal waivers that have been implemented due to the current health crisis, and the removal of such waivers following the expiration of the Governor's declared state of emergency. Chairwoman Bowmann requested to expand this topic to include future CE and whether the credit hours should be obtained in-person versus online courses.

The Board instructed staff to agendize a discussion topic relating to the use of CBD oils in the field of massage therapy with guest speakers to discuss statutory, therapeutic, and pharmacologic perspectives on the subject.

The Board also instructed the Executive Director to draft a comprehensive proposal regarding ID cards and to agendize this topic at a future meeting for further discussion and consideration.

**IX. NEXT ARIZONA MASSAGE BOARD MEETING DATE**

- A. Monday, September 21, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.  
Meeting to be digital, online.

**X. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Vice-Chairwoman Clark moved for adjournment.

**SECOND:** Chairwoman Bowmann

**VOTE:** The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Bowmann, Vice-Chairwoman Clark, Mr. McLain, Mr. Ortega, and Mr. Ramsey.

**VOTE:** 5-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

**MOTION PASSED.**

The Board's meeting adjourned at 11:24 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom Augherton".

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Tom Augherton, Executive Director