# **Board of Registration of Massage Therapy**

## OCTOBER 18, 2021, MEETING MINUTES

A posted public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Massage Therapy (the Board) was held remotely via video and telephone conferencing pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021: *An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted during the State of Emergency*, which was signed into law on June 16, 2021.

Attending: Members: Paul Andrews/Chair, Alexei Levine/Vice Chair, Ellen Walker/Secretary,

Kimberlee Schuler, Pallas Hutchison

Staff: Danielle O'Neil, Executive Director and Sheila York, Board Counsel

Not Attending: Member: Sheri Miller-Bedau

MT Public Meeting

Monday, October 18, 2021, 10:00AM-1:010PM

# Microsoft Teams meeting

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## **Meeting Called to Order**

- Remote meeting procedures Paul Andrews noted we had a quorum and confirmed quorum via roll call vote which showed the following members participating via remote means: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Ellen Walker, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler; Absent: Sheri Miller-Bedau.
- Paul Andrews called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

## **Board Meeting Business**

- Review and Approve Public Minutes for September 13, 2021 Motion to accept minutes as corrected by Paul Andrews; So Moved by Ellen Walker; seconded by Pallas Hutchison
  - o Paul Andrews held a roll call vote.
  - o Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Ellen Walker, Pallas Hutchison
  - o Members opposed: None; Members Abstain: Kimberlee Schuler due to technical issues; Motion passed
- Review and Approve Executive Minutes for September 13, 2021 Motion to accept as presented by Paul Andrews; So Moved by Pallas Hutchison; seconded by Ellen Walker
  - o Paul Andrews held a roll call vote.
  - o Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Ellen Walker, Pallas Hutchison

- o Members opposed: None; Members Abstain: Kimberlee Schuler due to technical issues; Motion passed
- FSMTB Annual Meeting Delegate Report was submitted for review and questions by Board members

#### **Board Counsel Report**

- Regulation Update no update this month
- Do Craniosacral Therapy practitioners need to be licensed massage therapists in order to practice Craniosacral Therapy in Massachusetts – Motion to send response as drafted to inquiry by Paul Andrews; So Moved Kimberlee Schuler; Seconded Ellen Walker
  - o Paul Andrews held a roll call vote.
  - o Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Ellen Walker, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler
  - o Members opposed: Alexei Levine; Motion passed

#### **Application Review**

• 2020-204-MT-MT-APP {Xiaoyun Hu} - Closed

<u>New Business/ Open session for topics</u> (not reasonably anticipated by chair 48 hours in advance of meeting)

Danielle O'Neil reminded all about the Hearing on Monday, October 25 at 9:30am

<u>GMC Reviews – Applications:</u> Motion to move into Executive Session at 10:29 am; pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, §21(a)(7), to comply with the public record law pursuant to G. L. c. 66, § 10; G. L. c. 4 § 7, ¶ 26(a) and to preserve the confidentiality protections of criminal record information. G. L. c. 6, § 172; So Moved Paul Andrews; Seconded Pallas Hutchison,

- o Paul Andrews held a roll call vote.
- o Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Ellen Walker, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler
- o Members opposed: Alexei Levine; Motion passed

The Chair estimated that Executive session would take 30 minutes, and afterwards the Board would go into closed 65C session and closed quasi-judicial session. There were no further items for discussion in public session and therefore public session would not resume.

#### **Actions taken by the Board in Closed Session:**

- 2021-000873-IT-ENF [Barta Rose] –Send to prosecutions.
- 2021-000623-IT-ENF [King Spa] Send to prosecutions.
- 2021-203191-FI-ENF [Vineyard Pilates] Motion to uphold \$500 fine and send to prosecution for hearing;
- 2021-203078-FI-ENF [Indulgence Thai Spa] Motion to uphold \$500 fine and send to prosecution for hearing;

#### **Settlement Conference**

- 2020-001018-IT-ENF {Shawnee Phillips} Discussed settlement with prosecutor.
- 2020-000716-IT-ENF {Anusara Wellness}—Discussed settlement with prosecutor.
- 2020-000267-IT-ENF {Phoung Tran} Tabled.
- 2020-001421-IT-ENF {Xiaochun Xu} Discussed settlement with prosecutor.

- 2020-000760-IT-ENF {Ping Min} Discussed settlement with prosecutor.
- 2021-000220, 2021-000857, 2021-000858 {Jianping Fu} Discussed settlement with prosecutor.

#### Adjudicatory Session [Closed session pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 18, $\P 5(d)$ ]:

Final Decision and Order issued in:

- 2020-001378-IT-ENF [Ying Zhang] -
- 2020-001520-IT-ENF [Weipo Zhang] -
- 2020-000867-IT-ENF [Ao Li] –
- 2021-000478-IT-ENF [Sherry She] –

Motion to adjourn meeting at 1:01 PM by Paul Andrews; So Moved by Pallas Hutchison; Seconded by Ellen Walker, Roll call vote:

- o Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Ellen Walker, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler
- o Members opposed: Alexei Levine; Motion passed

Respectfully	submitted,
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Ellen Walker

**Board Secretary** 

List of Documents used in Public Session:

Draft Minutes of September 13, 2021 public meeting Draft Minutes of September 13, 2021 executive session – (protected G.L. c. 30A, s. 22(f)) Draft response to Craniosacral Therapy related question