

Board of Registration of Massage Therapy
APRIL 11, 2022 PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

A posted public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Massage Therapy (the Board) was held remotely via video and telephone conferencing pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, allowing remote participation by Board members and the public.

Attending Members: Paul Andrews/Chair, Alexei Levine/Vice Chair, Ellen Walker/Secretary, Kimberlee Schuler and Pallas Hutchison

Non-Attending Members: Sheri Miller-Bedeau

Staff: Caitríona Taylor, Executive Director and Kristina Gasson, Board Counsel

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, Kimberlee Schuler, Pallas Hutchison and Ellen Walker; Member not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau; Paul Andrews called the meeting to order at 10:00am

Meeting Called to Order

- Motion to replace “executive” to “closed” for January 10, February 7 and March 7, 2022, minutes; So Moved by Paul Andrews, Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler.
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All
 - Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- Review and Approve Public Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2022
 - 1) Motion to approve minutes as is; So Moved by Pallas Hutchison; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All
 - Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- Review and Approve Closed Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2022
 - 2) Motion to approve minutes as is; So Moved by Alexei Levine; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All
 - Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- Review and Approve Public Meeting Minutes for February 7, 2022
 - 3) Motion to approve minutes as is; So Moved by Ellen Walker; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All
 - Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed

- Review and Approve Closed Meeting Minutes for February 7, 2022
 - 4) Motion to approve minutes as is; So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler; Seconded by Ellen Walker
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All
 - Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- Review and Approve Public Meeting Minutes for March 7, 2022
 - 5) Motion to approve minutes as is; So Moved by Ellen Walker; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All
 - Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- Review and Approve Closed Meeting Minutes for March 7, 2022
 - 6) Motion to approve minutes as is; So Moved by Ellen Walker; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All
 - Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Executive Director Report and Board Discussion, Including Portal Work

- Email FSMTB INITIATES LITIGATION TO PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF THE MBLEx ® FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION
 - The members discussed that the meeting was informative and that states are collaborating with different agencies (police, FBI, etc.) and schools and that fraud video of cheating during testing was enlightening.

Board Counsel Report

- Board Counsel stated regulations are in the process of review and that Board Counsel is reviewing accounting information for the renewal fee changing from annual to bi-annual.

Correspondence

- AMTA Annual Meeting, sent 3.24.2022 from Greg Hurd
 - All board members invited to the annual meeting. The board discussed that the Executive Director and one other will be at a table to help in the morning. Board Chair will also attend and speak at the meeting.

Curriculum Review

- Bancroft MT Program Renewal
 - Alexei Levine reviewed and requested an update to one detail at top of renewal form that was missing number of students.
- 7) Motion to approve with that information updated; So Moved by Alexei Levine; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison
 - Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
 - Members in favor: All

- Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
- Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Compliance Monitoring

2020-000479-CP-ENF (EM) Edward Miano – Virginia Murphy; Paul Andrews asked if the monitor reviewed the consent agreement, including the order to show cause and the monitor's obligations); advised proposed monitor that she is the eyes and ears of the board; Motion to approve Monitor; So Moved by Ellen Walker; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler

- Paul Andrews voted by roll call vote
- Members in favor: All
- Members not present: Sheri Miller-Bedeau
- Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Open for Public Comment

- There were no public comments.

10:40AM The Board approved a Motion to go into Closed Executive Session not to return to the public meeting.

12:09PM The Board approved a Motion to go into Closed Investigative Conference.

During closed Investigative Conference, the Board took the following actions

Review of Complaints Prior to the Issuance of an Order to Show Cause:

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| • 2021-000839-IT-ENF (ZQS) | Referred to prosecutions |
| • 2021-001090-IT-ENF (CB) | Referred to prosecutions |
| • 2021-001096-IT-ENF (DB) | Referred to prosecutions |
| • 2022-000064-IT-ENF (JG) | Referred back to investigations |
| • 2022-000172-IT-ENF (NDSNC) | Referred to prosecutions |
| • 2022-000215-IT-ENF (CB) | Referred to prosecutions |

Settlement Conference

- 2021-000873-IT-ENF (BRS) – Tabled

The following cases were dismissed without prejudice:

Dismissal Cases

No application	2020-001415
2020-001308	2020-001445
2020-001347	2020-001446
2020-001390	2020-001460

2020-001470

2020-001576

2020-001579

2020-001302

2020-001400

2020-001241

2020-001247

2020-001251

2020-001253

2020-001256

2020-001257

2020-001261

2020-001263

2020-001278

2020-001319

2020-001324

2020-001221

2020-001495

Motion to adjourn at 1:02PM Paul Andrews; Seconded by Ellen Walker – All in favor

Respectfully submitted,



Caitriona Taylor
Executive Director



Paul Andrews
Board Chair

List of Documents used in Public Session:

- MT Public Agenda 4.11.22
- Draft Public Minutes 1.10.22
- Draft Executive Session Minutes 1.10.22
- Draft Public Minutes 2.7.22
- Draft Executive Session Minutes 2.7.22
- Draft Public Minutes 3.7.22
- Draft Executive Session Minutes 3.7.22
- AMTA Annual Meeting Email
- Bancroft MT Program Renewal Application
- 2020-000479-CP-ENF (EM)