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Board of Registration of Massage Therapy June 10, 2024

A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Massage Therapy (the Board) was held remotely via video and telephone conferencing pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2022, allowing remote participation by Board members and the public.

Attending Members: Paul Andrews/Chair, Alexei Levine/Vice Chair, Pallas Hutchison,

Kimberlee Schuler

Members Absent: Sheri Miller-Bedau

Staff: Kerry Cassidy, Executive Director, Peter Kelley, Board Counsel

Meeting Called to Order

Remote meeting procedures – At approximately, 10:01 AM, Paul Andrews confirmed quorum via roll call vote which showed the following members participating via remote means; Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, and Kimberlee Schuler; Paul Andrews called the meeting to order.

Board Business

- The Board reviewed the Public Session Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2024. Motion was made to change 'representative' to 'delegate' as occurring therein and approve minutes as amended; So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler, Seconded by Pallas Hutchison
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
 - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, and Kimberlee Schuler
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- The Board reviewed the Public Session Meeting Minutes for May 28, 2024. Motion was made to update the minutes to include additional indicated language and to approve minutes as amended; So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler, Seconded by Pallas Hutchison
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
 - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, and Kimberlee Schuler
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed

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Curriculum Review

- The Board reviewed SPA Tech's presented curriculum, for 650 hour and 770 hour programs. The Board expressed its concern that the curriculum, as presented, was difficult to map to our specific licensing requirements; however, after discussion. the Board ascertained the hours for each program and determined that the curricula each meet our requirements. Motion was made to approve the Spa Tech presented curricula for the 650 and the 770 programs; So Moved by Alexei Levine, Seconded by Pallas Hutchison
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
 - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, and Kimberlee Schuler
 - o Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Executive Director Report

- Kerry Cassidy introduced Mai Lin Petrine, a representative of FSMTB, and thanked her for attending the meeting. Also, Ms. Cassidy notified the Board of the following adjudicatory hearings, seeking member participation in the proceedings. Members who have an interest in attending should contact Ms. Cassidy directly for further information concerning the virtual hearings:
 - o 2023-202387-FI-ENF scheduled for June 25, 2024
 - o 2023-000263-IT-ENF scheduled for September 11, 2024
 - o 2023-204579-FI-ENF scheduled for September 25, 2024

Board Counsel Report

• Peter Kelley stated that he had no updates on the status of the regulation changes, currently under agency review.

Discuss other matters not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours in advance of meeting.

• No unanticipated matters were discussed.

At 10:22 AM, Pallas Hutchison moved to exit Public Session and enter into Closed Session pursuant to G. L c. 112, § 65C for the purpose of conducting investigatory and settlement conferences and pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 18, ¶ 5(d) for the purpose of conducting adjudicatory conferences; So Moved by Pallas Hutchison, Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler

- o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
- Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, and Kimberlee Schuler
- o Members opposed: None; Motion passed

The Board took the following actions during closed session:

- o 2024-000280-IT-ENF- Dismiss with Advisory
- o 2023-000263-IT-ENF- Tabled
- o 2024-000235-IT-ENF Tabled
- o 2024-000162-IT-ENF Dismissed

Motion to exit closed session, enter open session; So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison. Following a roll call vote, all members voting in favor, the motion passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting; So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison. Following a roll call vote, all members voting in favor, the motion passed.

o The meeting adjourned at 11:36 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Cassidy

Executive Director

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Paul Andrews

Board Chair

List of Documents used in Public Session:

MT Public Agenda

MT Public Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2024

MT Public Meeting Minutes for May 28, 2024

Spa Tech Renewal Curriculum Documents for the 650 Hour Program

Spa Tech Renewal Curriculum Documents for the 770 Hour Program

Order to Show Cause – 2023-202387-FI-ENF

Order to Show Cause - 2023-000263-IT-ENF

Order to Show Cause – 2023-204579-FI-ENF