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Board of Registration of Massage Therapy June 2, 2025 Meeting Minutes

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, and Anthony Chui

Members Absent: None

Staff: Commissioner Sarah Wilkinson; General Counsel Greer Spatz Croxford; Kerry Cassidy,

Executive Director; Nirit Eriksson, Board Counsel

Meeting Called to Order

Remote meeting procedures – At approximately, 10:00 AM, Paul Andrews confirmed quorum via roll call which showed the following members participating via remote means; Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler and Anthony Chui; Paul Andrews called the meeting to order.

Board Business

- Review/Discussion/Vote: Proposed Revisions to Massage Therapy Regulations (269 CMR 2,3,4 [new regulation], 5 and 6)- Board Counsel announced that the proposed regulations have completed the internal review process and are ready for Board review and potential vote. An overview was given regarding the process moving forward. General Counsel Greer Spatz Croxford led a discussion on the procedure for making edits to the content or the correction of scrivener's errors. Commissioner Sarah Wilkinson had brief comments for the Board and was available to answer any questions. Paul Andrews recommended that in 269 CMR 4.01 (2) (a) should state the following: "Course content shall exceed a basic level of knowledge as it relates to the ethical obligations of massage therapy practitioners or laws and issues pertaining to human trafficking, specific to massage therapy practitioners." In addition, in 269 CMR 3.01 (2) (j), the date should be updated from 2023 to 2027. Mark Molloy with the American Massage Therapy Association was recognized and offered his support of the regulations. Motion was made to approve 269 CMR 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, and 6.00 regulation amendments with the revisions as noted; So Moved by Pallas Hutchison; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote

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- o Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui
- o Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Other Board Business

• None

Curriculum Review

Alexei Levine left the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

- Program Renewal for The Massage School- Motion was made to approve the curriculum as presented for 650 hours: So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler; Seconded by Anthony Chui
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
 - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui
 - o Alexei Levine Recused
 - o Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- Program Renewal for The Massage School- Motion was made to approve the curriculum as presented for 750 hours: So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler; Seconded by Anthony Chui
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
 - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui
 - o Alexei Levine Recused
 - o Members opposed: None; Motion passed
- Program Renewal for the Shang Shung Institute Motion was made to approve the curriculum as presented; So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
 - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui
 - o Alexei Levine Recused
 - o Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Alexei Levine re-entered the meeting at 10:33 a.m.

- Program Renewal for Jupiter Beach Academy It was noted that the cover page for the renewal was not included with the documentation. Motion was made to approve the curriculum as presented and delegate authority to the Executive Director to review the cover page when it is submitted; So Moved by Alexei Levine; Seconded by Anthony Chui
 - o Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
 - o Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Pallas Hutchison, Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui
 - o Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Executive Director Report

• Kerry Cassidy announced that the minutes from the February 19, 2025, Subcommittee Meeting were in the packet for the Board to review. No action is needed.

Board Counsel Report

None

• No unanticipated matters were discussed

At 10:38 a.m., Pallas Hutchison moved to exit Public Session and enter into Investigative Conference pursuant to G. L c. 112, § 65C and Adjudicatory Conference pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 18, ¶ 5(d); So Moved by Pallas Hutchison; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler

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

The Board took the following actions during closed session:

- 2025-000070-IT-ENF- Refer to Prosecution
- 2025-000069-IT-ENF- Refer to Prosecution
- 2025-000023-IT-ENF- Refer to Prosecution
- 2024-000619-IT-ENF- Dismissed with Advisory
- 2025-000140-IT-ENF Dismissed
- 2025-000027-IT-ENF Refer to Prosecution
- 2025-000276-IT-ENF Refer to Prosecution

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:59 AM; So Moved by Anthony Chui; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kerry Cassidy
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Executive Director

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Paul Andrews

Board Chair

List of Documents Used in the Public Meeting:

MT Public Agenda

Letter from Governor Healey to Paul Andrews

Curriculum for The Massage School

Curriculum for the Shang Shung Institute of America

Curriculum for the Jupiter Beach Academy

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