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Board of Registration of Massage Therapy **August 11, 2025 Public 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, and Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui

Members Absent: None

Staff: Kerry Cassidy, Executive Director; Nirit Eriksson, Board Counsel

Meeting Called to Order

Remote meeting procedures – At approximately, 10:02 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

- The Board discussed oral and written public comments received in connection with the July 14, 2025 Public Hearing on regulations amendments.
- Board Chair Paul Andrews proposed that “draping,” be inserted into 269 CMR 5.01(10) after “privacy,”
- In light of comments received, Board Counsel proposed the following additional textual changes for the Board’s consideration:
 - With respect to 4.01(1), (4), and 4.04(3), change to 12 months all the references to 24 months
 - Delete 4.01(3), 4.02(3), and 4.02(4) in their entirety, and update in 4.02(5) the cross-reference of “(1) through (4)” to “(1) through (2)”
 - Delete provisions 4.03(2)(g) and 4.03(2)(h)
 - Add “Regulatory Authority 269 CMR 4.00: M.G.L. c. 13, §99; c. 112, § 234” at the end of Chapter 4.00
 - Change “or” to “and” in 269 CMR 5.02(1)
 - Move the “Establishment” definition from 6.02 into 2.01, and move all the other definitions of 6.02 into 2.01
 - Delete the “Licensed Massage Therapy Establishment” definition in 2.01



- Add “the” before “client’s Informed Consent” in 269 CMR 5.03
- Review/Discussion/Vote: Proposed Revisions to Massage Therapy Regulations (269 CMR 2,3,4 [new regulation], 5, and 6): Motion was made to approve Proposed Revisions to Massage Therapy Regulations (269 CMR 2, 3, 4 [new regulation], 5, and 6) with the textual changes proposed by Board Counsel and listed above, as well as the textual change relating to draping proposed by Board Chair and listed above; So Moved by Paul Andrews; Seconded by Anthony Chui
 - 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
- Review/Discussion/Vote on Revisions to Policy #15-001-Regarding the Board’s Acceptance of Licensed Practice in Lieu of Clinical Supervised Practice Educational Requirement- In a prior Subcommittee meeting, it was discussed that this policy does not include certification as an option to satisfy this requirement for licensure. Some states, such as California, have a system of voluntary certification. Paul Andrews recommended that this policy be revised to incorporate certification. Alexei Levine suggested that the revised policy say “state-certified” rather than just “certified”. Motion was made to approve the proposed revised policy with the further revision suggested by Alexei Levine; 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, Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui
 - Members opposed: None; Motion passed

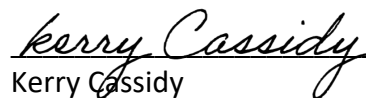
At 10:33 AM, Alexei Levine moved to exit Open Session and enter into Closed Session pursuant to G.L. c. 112, §65C for the purpose of conducting investigatory and/or settlement conferences; So Moved by Alexei Levine; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison

- 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

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 AM; 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, Kimberlee Schuler, and Anthony Chui
- Members opposed: None; Motion passed

Respectfully Submitted,


 Kerry Cassidy
 Executive Director

List of Documents Used in Public Meeting:

Proposed Regulations 269 CMR

Policy #15-001 Proposed Revisions