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# **Board of Registration of Massage Therapy**

# January 9, 2023, 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 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, Sheri Miller-Bedau

Members Not Present: Ellen Walker/Secretary

**Staff:** Brian O'Connell, Deputy Commissioner, Janet Dougherty, Executive Director, Danielle O'Neil, Acting Executive Director, Stephen Jacobson, Board Counsel

## Meeting Called to Order

• Remote meeting procedures - Paul Andrews confirmed quorum via roll call vote. The following members participated via remote means: Paul Andrews, Alexei Levine, Kimberlee Schuler, Pallas Hutchison, and Sheri Miller-Bedau; Paul Andrews called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

## **Board Meeting Business**

- Review and Approve Public Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2022 Motion to accept as submitted; So Moved by Sheri Miller-Bedau; Seconded by Kimberlee Schuler
  - Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
  - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Alexei Levine, Sheri Miller-Bedau, Kimberlee Schuler
  - o Members Opposed: None; Motion passed
- Review and approve Executive Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2022 Motion to accept as submitted; So Moved by Kimberlee Schuler, Seconded by Sheri Miller-Bedau
  - Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
  - Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Alexei Levine, Sheri Miller-Bedau, Kimberlee Schuler
  - Members Opposed: None; Motion passed
- <u>Executive Director Report and Board Discussion</u>
  - o None

### Board Counsel Report

• Regulations were sent to ANF. They will be delayed until new administration can review and approve

## • Curriculum Review

- Mildred Elley Curriculum review Table for further clarification
- Discuss other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting
  - No unanticipated matters were discussed

At 10:13am, Motion to move to Closed Executive Session and not return to the public meeting; So Moved by Sheri Miller-Bedau; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison

- Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
- Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Alexei Levine, Sheri Miller-Bedau, Kimberlee Schuler
- Members Opposed: None; Motion passed

**Executive Session** [*Closed* 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.]

• The Board took a short break while waiting for applicants to arrive

At 10:17am, Motion to move from Executive Session to Closed Investigative Conference and not return to public meeting; So moved by Kimberlee Schuler, Seconded by Pallas Hutchison

- Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
- Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Alexei Levine, Sheri Miller-Bedau, Kimberlee Schuler
- Members Opposed: None; Motion passed

## Investigative Conference Closed Session [Closed session pursuant to G.L. c. 112, §65C]

The Board took the following actions in closed Investigative Conference:

• 2021-000853-IT-ENF [HL] – Dismissed

## <u>Quasijudicial</u> Session [Closed adjudicatory session pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 18, ¶ 5(d)]

The board did not convene a Quasijudicial Session

At 10:31am, Motion to return to Executive Session; So moved by Kimberlee Hutchison; Seconded by Pallas Hutchison

- Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote
- Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Alexei Levine, Sheri Miller-Bedau, Kimberlee Schuler
- Members Opposed: None; Motion passed

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At 11:06am, Motion to adjourn; So Moved by Paul Andrews; Seconded by Alexei Levine • Paul Andrews called for a roll call vote

- Members in favor: Paul Andrews, Pallas Hutchison, Alexei Levine, Sheri Miller-Bedau, Kimberlee Schuler
- o Members Opposed: None; Motion passed

### Meeting adjourned 11:06am

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_Colleen Maloney\_\_\_\_ Colleen Malonev. Interim Executive Director

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Paul Andrews Board Chair Approved at the Public Meeting of

List of Documents used in Public Session:

Public Meeting Minutes 12/12/22 Executive Meeting Minutes 12/12/22 Draft Public Minutes 1/9/23 Draft Executive Session Minutes 1/9/23 Mildred Elly Curriculum 2021-000853-IT-ENF