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Meeting Minutes

Special Meeting of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapists (NSBMT)

DATE: October 13, 2016
START TIME: 9:00 a.m.

VIDEO CONFERENCE LOCATIONS

Las Vegas Location
Nevada Attorney General's Office
Grant Sawyer Building
555 E. Washington Street, Suite 4500
Las Vegas, NV 89101

or

Carson City Location
Nevada Attorney General's Office
Mock Court Room
100 North Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

The mission of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapists is to, through licensing and regulating the practice of massage, protect the public health, safety and welfare by ensuring that only qualified competent Massage Therapy Practitioners are licensed in the State of Nevada. It is our goal to balance the needs of the public with those of Licensed Massage Therapists, through development, implementation, enforcement, and continued improvement in the areas of therapist education, public safety, boundaries and ethics, in compliance with the highest standards set forth within the Massage Therapy Profession.

Note: Public comment will be taken at the beginning and the end of the meeting

9:00 a.m.

1. Public Comment – No public comment.
2. Roll Call of Board Members – Board members present: Chair – April Whiting, Vice Chair – Diane Huleva, Secretary/Treasurer – Deirdre Strunk, Robin Graber, Margaret Westcamp, Gayle Ferruccio, and Teresa Lopez. Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department representative Sergeant Ailee Burnett was not present.
3. Discussion and possible action regarding LCB File No. 135-14. The Board will discuss and take action regarding whether it will move forward to a public hearing on the regulation as drafted, revise the regulation before moving to a public hearing, or withdraw the regulation.

After lengthy discussion the Board decided not to move forward to a public hearing on the regulation as drafted. Motioned by Diane Huleva, seconded by Teresa Lopez, and approved unanimously.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding the Board's involvement with the legislative process and possible approval and/or delegation to Executive Director, Legal Counsel, and/or Lobbyist.

The Board approved delegating Executive Director Sandy Anderson, Legal Counsel Colleen Platt, and Lobbyist Kathleen Laxalt as its representatives during the 2017 Nevada Legislature. Motioned by Diane Huleva, seconded by Robin Graber, and approved unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding approving and/or amending the Proposed Bill Draft Request which provides that reflexologists and structural integrationists must be licensed by the Board and revising other provisions of NRS chapter 640C.

The Board discussed the language to add reflexology and structural integration as separate licenses under massage therapy. Legal counsel provided the proposed bill draft and explained the changes recommended. Teresa Lopez and Margaret Westcamp voiced concerns regarding the inclusion of a separate license for structural integration practitioners. Robin Graber explained the concern for protecting the public safety and welfare by insuring that practitioners of this modality be adequately trained.

Legal counsel explained the changes made to the chapter to facilitate cleaning up language throughout. Board members voiced their appreciation for the work that went into drafting this document.

Board approved the Proposed Bill Draft Request adding reflexology and structural integration practitioner to NRS 640C with changes as discussed. Motioned by Diane Huleva, seconded by Deirdre Strunk, and approved unanimously.

6. Public Comment – No public comment.
7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Diane Huleva, seconded by Teresa Lopez.

Notes:

1. Items may be taken out of order
2. Items may be combined for consideration by the Public Body
3. Items may be pulled or removed from the Agenda at any time.
4. The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. (NRS 241.030)

Public Comment Agenda Item: There is a time designated at the beginning of the meeting and the end of the meeting for Public Comment. Members of the general public may bring matters not appearing on this Agenda to the attention of the Board or make comment on specific Agenda Items. The Board may discuss the matters not on the Agenda, but may not act on the matters at this meeting. If the Board desires, the matters may be placed on a future Agenda for action. In consideration of others who may also wish to provide Public Comment, please avoid repetition and limit your comments to no more than three (3) minutes.

Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or a quasi judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual the Board may refuse to consider Public Comment.

Accommodations: Nevada State Board of Massage Therapists will make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. Should special arrangements for the meeting be necessary or to obtain a copy of the supporting materials for this meeting, please notify the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapists in writing as soon as possible at:

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The Agenda was posted at the following places:

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Attorney General's Office, 100 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV
Nevada State Board of Massage Therapists Website
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