NSBMT - Board Meeting August 17-18, 2021 Agenda Item 15d



Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

LOCATIONS:

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy took place via Zoom, was available via telephone, and by attending in person at:

1755 E. Plumb Lane, Suite 254, Reno, NV 89502.

Virtual access was available online via Zoom:

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DATES AND TIMES:

June 16, 2021 commenced at 9:00 a.m.

Zoom sign-in available at 8:30 a.m.

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(<u>sjanderson@lmt.nv.gov</u>), in advance, so that arrangements could be made. Public comment was taken at the beginning and the end of the meeting.

Public Comment Agenda Item: There was a time designated at the beginning of the meeting and the end of the meeting for Public Comment. Members of the general public were able to bring matters not appearing on this Agenda to the attention of the Board or make comment on specific agenda items. Public comment was also taken at other such times as requested as long as the request for public comment did not interrupt ongoing Board business. The Board may have discussed matters not on the agenda but did not act on the matters at this meeting. If the Board desired, the matters may be placed on a future Agenda for action. In consideration of others who may have also wished to provide public comment, the public was asked to please avoid repetition. The Board reserved the right to limit public comment to three (3) minutes.

Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment (see NRS 233B.126). Please be aware that after the quasi-judicial Board has rendered a decision in the contested case and, assuming this happens before adjournment, the Board may entertain public comment on the proceeding at that time.

1. Call to order and roll call of Board Members.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Vice Chair Deirdre Strunk. Board Members in attendance included Chair Diane Huleva, Secretary/Treasurer Elisabeth Barnard, Lorna Benedict, Richard Fields, Karen Kramberg, Sommer Plotnick, Bianca Smith, and Sgt. Thayer. Additional attendees included Executive Director Sandy Anderson, Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long, and Deputy Attorney General Harry Ward.

2. Mission Statement of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy – To protect the public health, safety, and welfare through effective massage therapy regulation. Insuring that qualified, competent, ethical practitioners are licensed.

Vice Chair Strunk read the mission statement into the record.

3. Introduction of new Board members appointed by the Governor.

There were no new appointments made by the Governor.

- 4. Acknowledgement of Service
 - a. Teresa Lopez

Vice Chair Deirdre Strunk and other Board members thanked Tereza Lopez for her four (4) years of services. Teresa was presented with an Acknowledgement of Service Award at Northwest Career College by Barbara Alcaraz, Vice President of Program Management.

b. Bob Oliver

Vice Chair Strunk and other Board members thanked Bob Oliver for his service and acknowledged all he has done for education and the industry. Bob was presented with an Acknowledgement of Service Award at his home by his wife Debra Rilea NVMT.1501.

5. Public comment – Members of the public who wished to participate in a public meeting were able to do so by providing public comment during the two designated public comment periods. Additionally, public comment options include, without limitation, telephonic or email comment. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting. The Board did not restrict comments based on viewpoint. The opportunity for public comment was available at the beginning and ending of the meeting. (Discussion Only)

There was no public comment

The Executive Director advised the Board that no written public comments were submitted prior to the meeting.

Jerry Xu asked to have a question answered. The Chair asked if it was public comment. Mr. Xu said no it was just a question. The Chair advised Mr. Xu that Tereza VanHorn would address the question offline.

6. Formal Hearing Juan Li – NVMT #10578 – NVMT-C-2050. (For Possible Action)

Juan Li was not present.

Chair Huleva advised the Board that this item was being continued.

7. Formal Hearing Hong Zhang – NVMT #261 – NVMT-C-21019. (For Possible Action)

Hong Zhang was not present. She was represented by legal counsel Kirk Kennedy.

Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long presented the Board with a Voluntary Surrender for 3 years.

Kirk Kennedy asked the Board to accept the Voluntary Surrender.

Motioned by Deirdre Strunk to accept the Voluntary Surrender, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Formal Hearing Sara V. Hirsz-Moronta – NVMT #9050 – NVMT-R-2112. (For Possible Action)

Sara V. Hirsz-Moronta was present.

Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long as prosecuting attorney presented the case to the Board. Ms. Long requested that documents submitted by Ms. Hirsz-Moronta be admitted

as Exhibit 1. Ms. Long highlighted items in the exhibit pertaining to Ms. Hirsz-Moronta's arrest.

Ms. Hirsz-Moronta agreed with the facts of the complaint and admitted that she did violate Count 1 of the complaint NRS 640C.700(3).

Chair Huleva swore in Ms. Hirsza-Moronta.

Motioned by Bianca that the Board accept the findings of the violation of Count 1, seconded by Sommer Plotnick. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Long presented the facts regarding Count 2 and the failure to notify the board within ten (10) business days of her arrest.

Motioned by Bianca Smith that the Board find the violation of Count 2 did occur under NRS 640C.700(2), seconded by Richard Fields. Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned Bianca Smith that the respondent receive a public verbal reprimand based on NRS 640C.710(1)(b), be placed on probation for 1 year of active employment, follow up with staff, employer and licensee reporting quarterly including review of the NRS/NAC, no independent contractor work, and background at 1-year at licensees expense, seconded by, seconded by Richard Fields. Motioned carried unanimously.

9. Background Review Request per NRS 622.085 Lei Wang. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Lei Wang was present and represented by legal counsel Kirk Kennedy. Interpretation services were provided by Wai Mei Borgel.

Legal counsel addressed the Board noting that Ms. Wang's prior history did not automatically disqualify her for licensure.

Tereza VanHorn provided the written Background Review Request to the Board for Lei Wang. Ms. Wang is requesting a background review based on NRS 622.085. Ms. Wang was arrested for solicitation/engage in prostitution on October 17, 2017, by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

Motioned by Elisabeth Barnard to preliminarily deny based on NRS 640C.700 (4)(6) and (9) based on the information that we have before us today June 16, 2021, seconded by Karen Kramberg. Motioned carried unanimously.

10. Background Review Request per NRS 622.085 Ying Bao. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Ying Bao was present, and Jerry Xu was present as interpreter.

Tereza VanHorn presented the Background Review Request to the Board for Ying Bao. Ms. Bao is requesting a background review based on NRS 622.085. Ms. Bao was arrested for battery on March 24, 2021, by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

Motioned by Elisabeth Barnard that based-on today's information the application would be preliminarily approved pending background investigation at the time of application, seconded by Bianca Smith.

Motion amended by Ms. Barnard to include today's date of June 16, 2021. Amendment approved by Bianca Smith.

Motioned by Elisabeth Barnard that based on the information available June 16, 2021 the application would be preliminarily approved pending background investigation at time of application, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

- 11. Application Review. (The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person.) (For Possible Action)
 - a. Review Application of Ana C. Blanco. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Ana Blanco was present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Ana C. Blanco to the Board. Ms. Blanco's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Blanco was arrested on February 24, 2018 for battery/domestic violence by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD). Documents received from Ms. Blanco indicate a plea deal was accepted with a final resolution by City of Las Vegas Municipal Court of a guilty rendering for battery. Ms. Blanco is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Motioned by Elisabeth Barnard for a 2-year probationary license with the restrictions of reporting all contact with law enforcement within 48 hours, quarterly reports from licensee and employer, and fingerprints and background investigations each year, seconded by Richard Fields. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Review Application of Jin Son Kim. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Jin Son Kim was present with her husband John Kim present to assist with interpreting if needed.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Jin Son Kim to the Board. Ms. Kim's massage application is before you today due to potential criminal history that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Kim was arrested for DUI on August 16, 2015; domestic battery on May 28, 2013, and possession of controlled substance with DUI and driving under the influence with accident on March 7, 2010, by Las Vegas Metropolitan

Police Department. Ms. Kim is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Motioned by Sommer Plotnick to grant a license, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Review Application of Lihua Stearns. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Liua Stearns was present. Interpretation services were provided by Jerry Xu.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Lihua Stearns to the Board. Ms. Stearns' massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Stearns' was previously before the board on May 18, 2007, which resulted in a denial of licensure based on NRS.640C.700(4) and (9); August 31, 2007, for an application review and a two-year probationary license was approved. On February 12, 2010, probationary terms were completed. Ms. Stearns let her license expire on 12/31/2013. Ms. Stearns was arrested by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department on July 9, 2003, and December 4, 2004, for solicitation/engaging in prostitution. Ms. Stearns is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Motioned by Diane Huleva to approve, seconded by Deirdre Strunk. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Review Application of Jiunan Yang. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Jiunan Yang was present and represented by Kirk Kennedy. Interpretation services were provided by Wai Mei Borgel.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Jiunan Yang to the Board. Ms. Yang's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Yang was previously before the Board on August 14, 2019 for a reflexology application review. The application was denied based on NRS.640C.700(2)(4)(6) and (9). Ms. Yang was arrested by LVMPD on January 17, 2017 for solicitation/engaging in prostitution while performing a massage (without a massage license) on an undercover agent; cited by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD-SIS) in October of 2017 for providing a massage without having a license, Ms. Yang is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Kirk Kennedy provided history regarding the applicant and asked the Board for a probationary license to allow her to prove herself.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to deny the application based on NRS 640C.700(2)(4)(6) and (9), seconded Richard Fields. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Review Application of Mei Ye. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Mei Ye was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Mei Ye to the Board. Ms. Ye's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Ye's personal phone number can be linked to 1 illicit posting on adultlook.com. When requesting additional information from Ms. Ye, she provided a cell phone bill that listed three additional phone numbers. In review of those phone numbers, one phone number can be linked to 11 additional illicit postings with eroticmugshots.com and backpage.com. These illicit sites for massage have several ads with woman in lingerie across the United States. Ms. Ye is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.420 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Ms. VanHorn shared that the applicant had been properly noticed regarding the meeting.

Motioned by Diane Huleva to deny based on NRS 640C.700(6) and (9), seconded by Karen Kramberg. Motioned carried unanimously.

f. Review Application of Lihua Zhao. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Lihua Zhao was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.

Tereza VanHorn shared that the applicant had been properly noticed regarding the meeting.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Lihua Zhao to the Board. Ms. Zhao's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Zhao's business address, email or phone number can be linked to 1,215 illicit postings on several different websites; adultlook.com; renoskipthegames.com and onebackpage.com. These illicit sites for massage have several ads with woman in lingerie across the United States. Ms. Zhao is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Chair Huleva noted for the record on page 18 of 47 of the public record was an advertisement describing Shiatsu Spa, showing hours of operation in Reno Nevada with pictures of a female in various levels of undress.

Motioned by Sommer Plotnick to deny the application based on NRS 640C.700(6) and (9), seconded by Bianca Smith. Motioned carried unanimously.

Consent agenda items are shown in italics. The Consent Agenda contains matters of routine acceptance. The Board members may approve the consent agenda items as written or, at their discretion, may address individual items for discussion or change.

12. Consent Agenda Items – Board members may choose to request any item listed below be pulled for discussion and possible action. Any items not pulled may be approved in a single

motion to approve the consent agenda excluding pulled items. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Approval of applications approved and authorized by the Chairperson through May 31, 2021 (see Exhibit A). (For Possible Action)
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding review and acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget verses Actual through May 31, 2021. (For Possible Action)
- c. Discuss, amend, and approve Regulatory Hearing meeting minutes for March 31, 2021. (For Possible Action)
- d. Discuss, amend, and approve Board meeting minutes for March 31, 2021. (For Possible Action)
- e. Discuss, amend, and approve closed session meeting minutes for March 31, 2021. (For Possible Action)
- f. Discuss, amend, and approve Board meeting minutes for April 1, 2021. (For Possible Action)
- g. Discuss, amend, and approve Board meeting minutes from May 7, 2021. (For Possible Action)
- h. Discuss and adopt meeting dates for calendar year 2022 including January 19, March 30, June 8, August 17, and October 26, 2022. (For Possible Action)

Motioned by Dierdre Strunk to approve Item 12, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motioned motion carried unanimously.

- 13. Board Counsel report. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
 - a. Supreme Court cases update provided by Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Ms. Long reported that four (4) application denials were appealed to the district court by Mr. Kirk Kennedy. Ms. Long filed motions to dismiss. One case went forward to petition for judicial review, and the court decided in favor of the applicant. In the interim the 3 motions that were granted, Mr. Kennedy appealed to the Supreme Court, and the other case Ms. Long appealed on behalf of the Board to the Supreme Court. The Board prevailed in all three (3) cases brought before the Supreme Court by Kirk Kennedy with the ruling that an application for licensure is not subject to appeal before the District Court. The Supreme Court reversed the District Court decision on the case brought by the Board and ruled that applications for licensure are not subject to appeal before the District Court, and that the recourse is still with the Board and not with the District Court.

b. General topics and training provided by Deputies Attorney General.

AB 253 was passed and signed by the Governor which allows the Board to continue to have meetings virtually. There are three (3) ways that a board can meet: at a physical location, at a physical location and the public able to attend virtually, or a virtual meeting with no physical location.

- 14. Executive Director Report including but not limited to (For Discussion)
 - a. Strategic Plan Key Indicators
 - i. Licensure and renewals

There were 4,743 active licensees as of June 14th, up 2 from the end of March even though 122 new licensees were issued during that time frame. The slow renewal rate continues as the industry works to rebound.

ii. Inspection Team calendar year-to-date key indicators

The inspection team continues to work on establishments and outcall inspections with 38% of the establishment inspected by the end of May and 30.2% of the outcall massage therapists inspected or reporting a change in status.

Christy Brunner shared with the Board that there is a level of fear of marking that licensees are not practicing on their renewal. Some of the licensees who have an outcall business have commented that they are really happy the Board is doing the outcall inspections and feel that the inspections legitimize their businesses.

iii. Complaints and investigations calendar year-to-date key indicators

At the end of May there were 15 open investigations with 43 investigations closed year-to-date and an average closure rate of 34 days.

- b. Conclusion of the Nevada State Legislature 81st Session.
 - i. AB 182 assists law enforcement with addressing landlords/property owners for locations including massage establishments being used for illicit activity if they have been notified in writing by law enforcement of at least one incident of illegal prostitution at that location and fail to take reasonable steps to abate the illegal prostitution within 30 days. Effective October 1, 2021.
 - ii. AB 253 modifies the language regarding posting requirements and "remote technology systems" for public meetings. Section 2 allows for public attendance "at a physical location or by means of a remote technology system." If the meeting has no physical location, the notice must include information on how a member of the public may: (1) Use the remote technology system to hear and observe the meeting; (2) Participate in the meeting by telephone; and (3) Provide live public comment during the meeting and, if authorized by the public body, provide prerecorded public comment. Additionally, the public body must provide locations where the supporting material is available or information about how the supporting information may be found on the website.

Additionally, if the Board (Chair) chooses to use remote technology for meetings rather than a physical location, supporting materials must be posted on the Board's website not later than 24 hours after the conclusion of the meeting.

This bill also modified the posting requirements for regulation changes and removed the language requiring the Board to post at the libraries in each county that the Board does not have an office.

This Bill became effective May 31, 2021, and allows the Board to meet virtually going forward with no requirement for a physical location. Effective May 31, 2021.

- iii. AB 482 requires the Secretary of State to suspend a state business license if the holder owes a debt to an agency of the state (including the Board). Staff has been notified of new reporting requirements regarding licensure to the Controllers' office in an effort to address individuals that have outstanding debts but have a license to practice. Effective 7/1/2021.
- iv. AB 493 allows for a cost-of-living increase for state employees on July 1, 2022, and reinstates a longevity pay practice of \$500 for 5-15 years and \$1,000 for 15 or more years. Effective 7/1/2021 and 7/1/2022.
- v. SB 164 adds protection for any person that is identified to be a victim of human trafficking. Empowers law enforcement if they do not arrest or issue a misdemeanor citation to provide information regarding social service agencies. Addresses preprosecution diversion program. If at anytime the prosecuting attorney has reason to believe that the person is a victim of sex trafficking the charges shall be dismissed.
- vi. SB 335 would have created the Division of Occupational Licensing within the Department of Business and Industry and would have changed the Board structure as of January 1, 2022 to advisory. This bill did not make it out of Senate Finance Committee.
- vii. SB 379 increased the reporting requirements of licensees for certain health care professions. During the initial discussions the staff of the Board of Massage Therapy and the lobbyist were included in discussions. The reporting is designed to be optional for the licensee. inLumon reports an estimated cost impact of \$9,550. The bill includes all three license types in Section 10; however, it does not include NRS 640C in the Sections that specify individual chapters.
- 15. Discussion and possible action regarding pursing adoption of regulations related to a pandemic/epidemic including adoption of some or all the Guidelines as regulations. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director advised the Board that this area may need to be enhanced in the regulations and asked the Board if they would like this item addressed during the regulatory workshops in the fall.

16. Discussion and possible action regarding evaluation of websites and website creation as part of NAC 640C.110(1)(b) authoring a publication relating to the practice of massage therapy, and NAC 640C.112 relating to structural integration, or NAC 640C.117(1)(b) relating to reflexology as authoring relates to the increased virtual atmosphere for education and continuing education. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director explained the changes occurring in the continuing education industry due to COVID-19. As a result of these changes some licensees have requested approval for website design that provides online education to licensees. These are not necessarily courses that are offered on a specific day or time frame. It is difficult to evaluate the number of hours necessary to create these online training programs and the provider does not necessarily teach the course. Since this is similar to authoring an article or textbook, she asked the Board for guidance in evaluating the continuing education potential of these courses and if there was anything specific, they would like staff to address in evaluating these websites, and if they would like this item addressed during the regulatory workshops in the fall.

17. Discussion and possible action regarding limiting the number of licensure years that a licensee must take continuing education. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director advised the Board that licensees that have been practicing for extended periods of time frequently request that the Board address this discussion topic. She requested guidance from the Board as to whether to pursue this during the regulatory workshops in the fall.

18. Discussion and possible action regarding creating a Newsletter Committee to compose and provide copy for publication by the Board. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Motioned by Diane Huleva to create the Newsletter Committee to make and compose the newsletter, seconded by Richard Fields. Motioned carried unanimously.

19. Discussion and possible action regarding topics to be covered in the Boards newsletter for issue in July 2021. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Motioned by Diane Huleva to move forward with three (3) topics for the July newsletter at the discretion of the Newsletter Committee consisting of Bianca Smith, Karen Kramberg and Executive Director Anderson as well as any staff necessary, seconded by Deirdre Strunk. Motion passed unanimously.

20. Discussion and possible action regarding adoption of form for disclosure of an alias used by a massage therapist. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director advised the Board that staff will present the form at the August Board meeting.

21. Discussion and possible action regarding the jurisprudence exam number of questions, potential databank, content, topics for questions, and determination for moving forward. (For Discussion and Possible Action).

The Executive Director advised the Board that staff was not prepared at this time to present questions for the jurisprudence exam and asked that the Board consider a special meeting to address only this topic. The Board agreed to have a two (2) day meeting August 17th and 18th, 2021.

22. Discussion and possible action regarding participation in the 2021 FSMTB Annual meeting, designation of Delegate to represent the Board during the meeting, and approval for additional attendees. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director advised the Board that the Delegate's expenses would be covered by FSMTB, as would her expenses. The fiscal year 2022 budget was built allowing for 2 additional attendees. The cost per attendee travelling from Las Vegas would be \$2,116 to \$3,416 and from Reno would be \$2,371 to \$3,471 depending on flight availability. Additional attendees beyond two (2) would need to be approved by the Board as an increase in the budget allocation for travel and Board salaries.

Motioned by Diane Huleva that Deirdre Strunk be the delegate attending the FSMTB annual meeting, seconded by Elisabeth Barnard. Motioned carried unanimously.

Motioned by Diane Huleva to send Bianca Smith and Tereza VanHorn, seconded by Sommer Plotnick. Elisabeth Barnard opposed.

23. Discussion and possible action regarding attendance at the 2021 FARB Regulatory Law Seminar September 30th through October 3rd in Nashville, Tennessee including staff, Board members, and legal counsel approved for participation. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director advised the Board that the fiscal year 2022 budget was built allowing for 2 individuals to attend the RLS. The cost per attendee from Las Vegas would be \$2,653 to \$2,703 with direct flights available and from Reno would be \$3,294 to \$3,844 with no direct flights available and travel starting on September 29th. She asked the Board to consider paying the registration fee for Senior Deputy Attorney Sophia Long. Ms. Long would arrange for the travel costs.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to send Sandy Anderson and that Sophia Long's registration be paid by the Board for the 2021 FARB Regulatory Law Seminar, seconded by Diane Huleva. Motioned carried unanimously.

24. Discussion and possible action regarding changes and modifications to the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget due to the 81st Session. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director provided information regarding the impact of SB 379 and cost increases/decreases due to approved budgetary changes for other agencies. She advised the Board that these increases could continue through the first quarter as the Board receives bills for services budgeted at pre-session rates. She also advised the Board the Legislature did not approve a cost-of-living increase for fiscal year 2022; however, they did approve a 3% cost-of-living increase for fiscal year 2023 which will be built into the Board's budget scheduled for review at the August meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Barnard added that the longevity pay approved during session will be included in the fiscal year 2023 budget.

25. Acknowledgement of eight (8) years of service for Chair Huleva. (For Discussion)

Vice Chair Strunk, other Board members, and staff thanked Chair Huleva for her service to the Board and the industy, and Vice Chair Strunk presented her with an award for her eight (8) years of service.

26. Discussion regarding recommended future agenda items. (For Discussion)

No items were provided.

27. Public comment.

April Whiting NVMT.050 thanked Diane, Bob, and Teresa for their work for the Board and wished them all the best.

Investigator Brunner thanked Chair Huleva for everything she has done for the Board and staff.

Laura Embleton with the Associated Bodywork and Massage Professionals thanked Diane, and she shared information regarding the Oregon board newsletter.

28. The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

In accordance with NRS 241.020, this public notice and agenda was posted on or before June 11, 2021, at the following locations:

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