



Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

LOCATIONS:

This meeting of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy took place online via Zoom and was available via telephone:

August 17, 2021

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DATES AND TIMES:

August 17 commenced at 9:09 a.m.

Business was completed on August 17, 2021

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

MEETING MINUTES

Please Note: The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may: 1) take agenda items out of order; 2) combine two or more items for consideration; or 3) remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion related to an item at any time. Reasonable efforts were made to assist and accommodate individuals with disabilities who wished to attend the meeting by contacting Sandy Anderson at 775.687.9951 (sjanderson@lmt.nv.gov), 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 9:09 a.m. on August 17, 2021, by Vice Chair Deirdre Strunk. Board members in attendance included Vice Chair Deirdre Strunk, Secretary/Treasurer Elisabeth Barnard, Lorna Benedict, Rebecca Dorangricchia, Richard Fields, Karen Kramberg, Sommer Plotnick, Bianca Smith, Stephanie Tsanas, and Sgt. Thayer with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Additional attendees included Executive Director Sandy Anderson, Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long, and Deputy Attorney General Harry Ward. Vice Chair Deirdre Strunk and Sommer Plotnick left the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

After lunch all members except for Strunk and Plotnick were logged in.

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.

- a. Reappointment of Elisabeth Barnard representing the rural counties for the term July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025
- b. Reappointment of Lorna Benedict representing the structural integration practitioners for the term July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025
- c. Appointment of Stephanie Tsanas representing the reflexologists for the term July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.
- d. Appointment of Rebecca Dorangricchia representing Washoe County for the term July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Vice Chair Strunk congratulated the Board Members that were reappointed. She also introduced and welcomed the new members.

4. Public comment – Members of the public who wish to participate in a public meeting may do so by providing public comment during the two designated public comment periods. Additionally, public comment options may 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 will not restrict comments based on viewpoint. The opportunity for public comment will be available at the beginning and ending of the meeting. (Discussion Only)

No public comment was provided.

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

5. Election of Officers (For Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Chair

Vice Chair Deirdre Strunk nominated Elisabeth Barnard for Chair, seconded by Karen Kramberg and Rick Fields. No other nominations were received.

Motioned by Deirdre Strunk to elect Elisabeth Barnard as Chair, seconded by Karen Kramberg. Motion carried.

- b. Vice Chair

Motioned by Elisabeth Barnard for Deirdre Strunk to remain as Vice Chair, seconded by Karen Kramberg. Motion carried.

- c. Secretary/Treasurer

Chair Barnard nominated Richard Fields as Secretary/Treasurer, seconded by Karen Kramber. No other nominations were received.

Board member Bianca Smith asked if this position was able to be split or if it was defined. Senior Deputy Attorney General Long shared NRS 640C.180. Ms. Smith asked that the Board consider splitting the position. Staff will add splitting this position to a future agenda.

Motioned by Elisabeth Barnard to elect Richard Fields as Secretary/Treasurer, seconded Karen Kramberg. Motion carried.

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

Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long presented the case regarding Juan Li NVMT.10578 to the Board. Ms. Li was not present.

Ms. Long advised the board regarding NRS 622A.350 and the requirements for notification.

Chair Barnard swore in Tereza VanHorn. Ms. VanHorn provided testimony that Ms. Li was provided sufficient legal notice per NRS 622A.350 and was served notice at the address that was on file with the Board.

Motioned by Bianca Smith that Ms. Li was properly noticed, seconded by Stephanie Tsanas. Motion carried.

Ms. Long presented the Complaint Notice of Hearing regarding solicitation of sexual activity.

Chair Barnard swore in Detective Bryan Diaz.

Detective Diaz provided testimony regarding the arrest of Juan Li for soliciting prostitution.

Ms. Long submitted exhibit 1 supporting the testimony of Detective Diaz. The exhibit was accepted into evidence by the Chair.

Karen Kramberg questioned the Detective regarding receiving a massage rather than reflexology and the amount of money paid for the service.

Elisabeth Barnard questioned the Detective regarding the attire of the women in the establishment. The Detective confirmed that the women were wearing lingerie.

Motioned by Stephanie Tsanas to accept the alleged facts as true and that the violation of law count 1 did occur, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motioned carried.

Motioned by Richard Fields to revoke for 10 years, seconded by Stephanie Tsanas. Motion carried.

7. Formal Hearing Xinjuan Vincent NVRF.0108 – NVMT-C-21030. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long presented the Voluntary Surrender of Xinjuan Vincent NVRF.0108 to the Board. Ms. Vincent did not identify herself as present.

Motioned by Lorna Benedict to accept voluntary surrender for 3 years, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion carried.

8. Formal Hearing Seanna Cornelius NVMT.2565 – NVMT-C-21012. (For Discussion and Possible Action.

Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long presented the case regarding Seanna Cornelius NVMT.2565 to the Board. Ms. Cornelius was not present.

Ms. Long advised the board regarding NRS 622A.350 and the requirements for notification.

Ms. VanHorn provided testimony that Ms. Cornelius was properly noticed at the address that was on file with the Board.

Motioned by Bianca Smith that Ms. Cornelius was properly noticed for the meeting, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried.

Ms. Long advised the Board regarding NRS 622A.350 and the ability of the regulatory body to accept the allegations as true.

Chair Barnard swore in the complainant, Simon Miles.

Ms. Long presented the facts and testimony of Mr. Miles and exhibits 1 through 4 in support of the allegations in the Complaint. Chair Barnard accepted the exhibits.

Senior Deputy Attorney General provided a closing statement to summarize the documents and testimony presented to the Board.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to accept that the violations of law as discussed for both counts 1 and 2 did occur, seconded by Karen Kramberg. Motion carried.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to revoke for 10 years, seconded by Richard Fields. Motion carried.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to issue fines of \$5,000 based on violations of law counts 1 and 2 for a total of \$10,000, seconded by Lorna Benedict.

To address the assessment of legal fees for this case, Ms. Long was asked how many hours were spent. The assessment will be based on an estimated 8 hours of attorney fees at the rate of \$163 per hour.

Motioned by Karen Kramber to charge Ms. Cornelius for legal fees not to exceed \$1,300 and that these fees are reasonable, necessary, and actually occurred, seconded by Richard Fields. Motion carried.

9. Formal Hearing Maurice A. Wilson NVMT.10199 – NVMT-R-2125. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long presented the case regarding Maurice A. Wilson NVMT.10199 to the Board. Mr. Wilson was not present.

Ms. Long advised the board regarding NRS 622A.350 and the requirements for notification.

Ms. VanHorn provided testimony regarding the mailing of the Complaint Notice of Hearing to licensee Maurice A. Wilson at the address on file with the Board in compliance with NRS 622A.350.

Motioned by Bianca Smith that Mr. Wilson was properly noticed for this hearing, seconded by Richard Fields. Motion carried.

Ms. Long advised the Board regarding NRS 622A.350 and the ability of the regulatory body to accept the allegations as true and may continue to hear and dispose of the case before the regulatory board. Ms. Long read the allegations of the complaint and provided exhibits 1 through 5 to the Board. The exhibits were accepted by the Chair.

Ms. VanHorn provided testimony that supported the complaint and the exhibits.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to suspend Mr. Wilson's license from August 17, 2021 until December 1, 2021, at which point his license will expire, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried.

10. Formal Hearing Tiavera Robinson NVMT.9887 – NVMT-R-2123. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Senior Deputy Attorney General Sophia Long presented the case regarding Tiavera Robinson NVMT.9887 to the Board. Ms. Robinson was not present.

Ms. Long advised the board regarding NRS 622A.350 and the requirements for notification.

Ms. VanHorn provided testimony regarding the mailing of the Complaint Notice of Hearing to licensee Tiavera Robinson at the address on file with the Board in compliance with NRS 622A.350.

Motioned by Bianca Smith that Ms. Robinson was properly noticed for this hearing, seconded by Stephanie Tsanas. Motion carried.

Ms. Long advised the Board regarding NRS 622A.350 and the ability of the regulatory body to accept the allegations as true and may continue to hear and dispose of the case before the regulatory board. Ms. Long read the allegations of the complaint and provided exhibits 1 through 7 to the Board. The exhibits were accepted by the Chair.

The Chair swore in Executive Director Anderson. Ms. Anderson provided testimony regarding the requirements of the probationary license of Tiavera Robinson.

Motioned by Karen Kramberg that based on the evidence that the violations of law count 1 and count 2 did occur, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried.

Motioned by Stephanie Tsanas to revoke the license of Tiavera Robinson for 5 years, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried.

11. Citation Appeal Hong Pang Cole. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Ms. Long informed the Board that this item was being continued.

12. Reconsideration of Application for Lihua Zhao. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Lihua Zhao was present via telephone with her husband Dan Chen.

Motioned by Karen Kramberg to reconsider the application review, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion carried. Vote reversed to allow for additional discussion. Roll call vote taken those in favor Karen Kramberg, Bianca Smith, Stephanie Tsanas, and Rebecca Dorangricchia. Those opposed Lorna Benedict, Richard Fields, and Elisabeth Barnard. Motion carried.

13. Application Review for Lihua Zhao. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Lihua Zhao was present via telephone with her husband Dan Chen.

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.

Mr. Chen provided a statement that the prior owner, Anita Fang, continued to use the telephone number and Google continued the ads. Ms. Fang also had Spectrum Wireless forward the phone to Ms. Fang.

Motioned by Lorna Benedict that Lihua Zhao resolves the issues regarding this application and then bring the application back before the Board, seconded by Stephanie Tsanas. Motion carried with none opposed.

14. 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 Binzhi Chen. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Ms. Chen requested that this be continued to the next Board Meeting.

b. Review Application of Yuqin Geng. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Yuqin Geng was not present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Yuqin Geng to the Board. Ms. Geng's reflexology application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Geng was arrested on August 21, 2004 for unauthorized practice of profession and/or unauthorized practice of profession title and arrested on November

20, 2004 for prostitution by New York City Police Department (NYCPD). Records request sent to New York provided no details surrounding previous arrests or violations. Ms. Geng has been cited by NSBMT on three separate occasion. Two violations for practicing without having a license and the third recently for sanitation violations. Ms. Geng failed to disclose prior arrests or complete the screening questions appropriately. Ms. Geng is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700. 7 9:21

Motioned by Bianca Smith to deny the application based on NRS 640C.700(1)(2)(6) and (9), seconded by Richard Fields. Motion passed with no opposition.

c. Review Application Xiaofeng Zhang. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Xiaofeng Zhang was present with Jerry Xu as interpreter.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Xiaofeng Zhang to the Board. Ms. Zhang's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Zhang was arrested on July 28, 2020 and August 11, 2020 for domestic battery by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD). Ms. Zhang is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Motion by Bianca Smith to issue a probationary license based on NRS 640C.700(2)(3) and (9) for 3 years with the following conditions: report contact with law enforcement within 48 hours, notify the Board where she is working within 5 calendar days, no outcall massage, background investigation annually at licensee's expense, and complete an anger management/domestic violence course available through the cultural resource center in Las Vegas within 1 year, seconded by Rebecca Dorangricchia. Motion carried with none opposed.

d. Review Application Xiaohua He. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Xiaohua He was not present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Xiaohua He to the Board. Ms. He's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. He was arrested on March 1, 2012 for solicitation or engaging in prostitution by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD). Ms. He was working at Diva Foot Spa and offered to perform a sexual act during the course of massage on an undercover officer that visited the establishment. Ms. He did not have a massage license at the time of the arrest. Ms. He is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Motioned by Stephanie Tsanas to deny the application for massage for Xiaohua He based on NRS 640C.700(1)(2)(4) and (9), seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion carried with none opposed.

e. Review Application Amelia (Jiaduo) Yi Stogsdill. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Amelia (Jiadoo) Yi Stogsdill was present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Amelia (Jiadoo) Yi Stogsdill to the Board. Ms. Yi Stogsdill's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Yi Stogsdill was arrested on December 23, 2015 for Massage Therapy License/Owner Violation by Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD). Ms. Yi Stogsdill offered to perform massage on an undercover officer without having a license in Texas. Charges were dismissed after the completion of diversion. Upon further review, Ms. Yi Stogsdill does not hold a massage certificate in California or license in Texas. Ms. Yi Stogsdill failed to disclose her current Florida license and her previous education. Ms. Yi Stogsdill is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.420 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700.

Motioned by Stephanie Tsanas to go into closed session, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried.

Motioned by Stephanie Tsanas to return to open session, seconded by Rebecca Dorangricchia. Motion carried.

Application continued to the next meeting.

f. Review Application Denylle A. McDowell. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Board Member Dorangricchia recused herself from the proceedings. Board Member Dorangricchia was moved to the waiting room during the proceedings.

Denylle A. McDowell was present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Denylle A. McDowell to the Board. Ms. McDowell's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. McDowell was arrested on July 16 and 28, 2017 by Sparks Police Department and Nevada Highway Patrol for DUI. Ms. McDowell is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700

Motioned by Lorna Benedict to move into closed session, seconded by Stephanie Tsanas. Motion Carried.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to return to open session, seconded by Richard Fields. Motion carried.

Motioned by Bianca Smith approve application on a probationary status for 2 years, background check annually, reporting any contact with law enforcement within 48 hours, if she receives a performance review then she will share it with staff, seconded by Richard Fields. Motion carried.

g. Review Application Xiu Zhu Condello. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Xiu Zhu Condello was not present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Xiu Zhu Condello to the Board. Ms. Condello's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. Condello was arrested on September 6, 2005 for prostitution by Redondo Beach Police Department (RBPD). Ms. Condello was the registered business owner at Just Relax Body Works and offered to perform a sexual act during the course of massage on an undercover officer that visited her establishment on two separate occasions. Upon further review, Ms. Condello does not hold a massage certificate in California. Ms. Condello is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700

Motioned by Bianca Smith to deny this applicant based on NRS 640C.700(1)(2)(4) and (9), seconded by Karen Kramberg. Motion carried with no opposition.

h. Review Application Dulce M. De Ison. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Dulce M. De Ison was present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Dulce M. De Ison to the Board. Ms. De Ison's massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Ms. De Ison was arrested on October 18, 2018 for DUI; December 18, 2011 for child neglect and contributing to delinquency of a minor; August 27, 2010 for battery/domestic violence; August 14, 2010 for DUI with accident and DUI – all by Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) and November 7, 2003 for Assault in 2nd degree by McCook Police Department (MCPD). Ms. De Ison is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700

Motioned by Stephanie Tsanas to go into closed session, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion carried.

Motion to return to open session by Richard Fields, seconded by Rebecca Dorangricchia. Motion carried.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to approve a probationary license for 5 years with conditions including must notify of contact with law enforcement within 48 hours, refrain from providing outcall services, inform staff who she is working for, annual background investigation with fingerprints at the applicant's expense, and communication from her employer every three (3) months with staff, seconded by Rebecca Dorangricchia. Motion carried.

i. Review Application Gregory N. Edmonds. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Gregory N. Edmonds was not present.

Tereza VanHorn presented the application of Gregory N. Edmonds to the Board. Mr. Edmonds' massage application is before you today for review that could not be approved administratively. Mr. Edmonds applied for licensure in June of 2018 and was

denied in 20019 for not responding within 60 days to staff’s requests. Mr. Edmonds was arrested on July 11, 1999 for aggravated battery by Aurora Police Department (APD) and September 5, 2012 for domestic battery by Rolling Meadows Police Department (RMPD). Mr. Edmonds is requesting to be granted a license under NRS 640C.580 and is before you today for review under NRS 640C.700

Motioned by Lorna Benedict to deny Gregory Edmonds application for licensure based on NRS 640C.700(3)(8) and (9), seconded by Bianca Smith. Elisabeth Barnard opposed. Motion carried.

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.

15. *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 July 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 June 30, 2021. (For Possible Action)*
 - c. *Discussion and possible action regarding review and acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget verses Actual through July 31, 2021. (For Possible Action)*
 - d. *Discuss, amend, and approve Board meeting minutes for June 16, 2021. (For Possible Action)*

Motioned by Stephanie Tsanas to accept Item 15, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion carried with no opposition.

16. Board Counsel report. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
 - a. General topics
 - b. Training provided by Deputies Attorney General

Legal counsel had no topics to discuss or training to provide.

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

As of August 2nd, the Board has 4,874 active licensees. Renewals are continuing to trickle in, but most of the revenue for July was from 59 new applications accounting for \$28K of the \$48K received.
 - ii. Financial status

The Board has always reported budget numbers based on the accrual method of accounting which really doesn't reflect the actual cash received. For example, Fiscal Year 2021 income was reported as \$1,322K. In cash basis accounting the actual Fiscal Year 2021 income was \$1,311K. The difference being fines and fees ordered by the Board verses fines and fees collected. Accrual basis yearend net profit was \$444K. Cash basis yearend net profit was \$433K.

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

In January, the inspection team identified 833 establishments to be inspected during calendar year 2021. As of August 2nd, the team had addressed 422 of these or 50.6%.

The team also identified 931 licensees listing outcall on their renewals and began the process of completing outcall inspections for all individuals practicing outcall. As of August 2nd, 652 licensees have been addressed, and 403 of those reported that they do not practice outcall. The team completed 249 outcall inspections and continues to move forward with completing this monumental task.

Several months ago, we implemented a more detailed audit process for the work the inspectors perform. Francine completes monthly audits of the paperwork and spreadsheets for any errors or omissions. She has a great eye for detail and finds even the slightest variations in the data. This is helping the inspection team improve accuracy of documentation and helps me know what a great job our inspection team is doing. I am happy to report that the error margin for our team is less than 1%.

The Executive Director asked the Board to join her in thanking Christy and Vicki for the great job they are doing and Kathy and Francine for the support they provide to the inspection team.

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

As of August 2nd, there were 10 open investigations several of which are pending due to civil or criminal litigation. The Investigator and the Executive Director have closed 58 investigations year-to-date

b. Compact progress

The Executive Director provided an update of the proposed meetings for working on the compact.

c. Human trafficking in illicit massage establishments

Staff continues to work with law enforcement to address illicit locations and unlicensed activity. Both the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and the Reno Police Department are actively working with staff to address locations identified during the inspection process as possibly illicit as well as locations identified by Heyrick Research the data analytic company that supports the Polaris Project.

d. Other topics

18. Discussion and possible action regarding budget cuts for the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget based on projected deficit. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director advised the Board that the original budget for 2022 included over \$100K in shortfall. To address this shortfall the additional inspector position was eliminated, and travel costs were reduced. She asked the Board to approve the new budget with the reductions in expenses.

Motioned by Richard Fields to approve the budget with the recent changes, seconded by Lorna Bendict. Motion passed with no opposition.

19. Discussion and possible action regarding approved travel to Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB) Regulatory Law Seminar and Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB) Annual Meeting. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Motioned by Bianca Smith that the Board not pay for travel for the FARB RLS or the FSMTB annual meeting, seconded by Lorna Benedict. Motion carried with no opposition.

20. Discussion and possible action regarding review and acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

The Executive Director submitted the fiscal year 2023 budget to the Board for approval.

Motioned by Richard Fields to approve the fiscal year 2023 budget, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion carried with none opposed.

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

Staff presented the proposed alias form for adoption by the Board.

Motioned by Bianca Smith to approve the alias form as modified, seconded by Elisabeth Barnard. Motion carried with none opposed.

22. Discussion and possible action regarding the jurisprudence exam number of questions, potential databank, content, topics for questions, and determination for moving forward. The Board may move into closed session when discussing questions for the exam. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Motioned by Elisabeth Barnard to allow staff to finalize and implement the jurisprudence exam, seconded by Bianca Smith. Motion passed with no opposition.

23. Discussion regarding recommended future agenda items.

24. Public comment.

Patti Dettori requested that the Board consider reducing the fees and the continuing education requirements for licensees over the age of 70. She also thanked the Board for what they are doing.

25. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

In accordance with NRS 241.020, this public notice and agenda was posted on or before August 13, 2021, at the following locations:

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