



# Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy

## **DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

### **LOCATIONS:**

This meeting of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy took place online via Zoom, or via telephone. Persons wishing to participate in the meeting were able connect to the meeting through the link below or telephone numbers below. Persons wishing to provide public comment during the meeting could use the links below and at the appropriate time, the Board Chair called on persons wishing to make public comment.

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### **DATES AND TIMES:**

**June 27, 2024, commenced at 12:01 p.m.**

**Zoom sign-in available at 11:30 a.m.**

**SPECIAL 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 wish to attend the meeting by contacting Elisabeth Barnard at 775.687.9951 ([ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov](mailto:ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov)), in advance, so that arrangements may be made. Public comment was taken at the beginning and the end of the meeting. 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 was 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. Public comment was also be taken at other such times as requested as long as the request for public comment will not interrupt ongoing Board business. The Board may discuss the matters not on the agenda but may 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 also wish to provide public comment, repetition was avoided. The Board limited 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 12:01 p.m. on June 27,2024 by Chair Rebecca Dorangricchia. Board members in attendance included Secretary-Treasurer Bianca Smith, Lorna Benedict, Rosemarie Mueller, Stephanie Tsanas, John Teng, Paula Wilber. Additional attendees included Board Counsel Colleen Platt and Executive Director Elisabeth Barnard.

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.

Chair Dorangricchia read the mission statement into the record.

3. 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)

The only public comments received pertained to item number 7 and were taken during that agenda item.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding changes or approval of a language access plan pursuant to NRS 232.0081. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Executive Director Barnard explained that the plan as drafted includes some costs that had not previously been included in the budget. Mueller asked for an estimate of the budget impact. Barnard stated that currently she is estimating less than \$10,000. Smith asked for clarification on whether there was a way to verify the need for these services from people that request assistance. Barnard provided clarification that these services will be provided to any one who indicates a need.

Smith motioned to approve the Language Access Plan as drafted. Seconded by Tsanas. Motion carried, with none opposed.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding investing a portion of the funds currently in Nevada State Bank Money Market Account into a 3 month CD, with the option to reinvest at the end of the 3 month term to earn better interest. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Smith motioned to move \$700,000 of funds currently in a Money Market account to a 3 month CD. Seconded by Tsanas. Motion carried, with none opposed.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding drafting a statement in support of the Interstate Massage Compact language as currently written. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Smith motioned to approve the drafting of a statement supporting the Interstate Massage Compact language as written. Seconded by Mueller. Motion carried, with none opposed.

7. Discussion and possible action regarding requesting an emergency regulation from the Governor or drafting a temporary regulation to allow certain students to take the iTEC examination and revising LCB File R017-24. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Public comment was received from Tony Huang and Johnny Yip of AMO School requesting a clear cut-off date, with no grace period.

Smith motioned to move forward with a temporary regulation to allow grandfathering of the iTEC exam up to June 30, 2024. Seconded by Mueller. Motion carried, none opposed.

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

There was no discussion on future agenda items.

9. Public comment.

Smith shared that she has not been reappointed to the Board and that she has been honored to be a Board member and to work for and with the Board over the years, and requested to be added to email distribution list for notices.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 pm.

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### Notices:

Items may be combined for consideration by the board. Items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and at the end of the meeting. Regarding public comment, no vote may be taken upon a matter raised under this agenda item until the matter itself has been specifically included on a future agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020). The Chair may allow comment on individual agenda items at her discretion. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Board or to aid the efficiency or effectiveness of the meeting. Interested persons may present oral and/or written comments at the time and place of the meeting, or written comments may be sent no later than **Wednesday, June 26, 2024**, to the following address: **Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy, 1755 E. Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502. Supporting materials are available on the Board's website [http://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board\\_Meetings/Meetings/](http://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board_Meetings/Meetings/) or by contacting **Elisabeth Barnard at 775.687.9951 or [ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov](mailto:ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov) or 1755 E Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502.** Documents provided to Board members during the meeting will be posted on the website after the meeting.**

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