



## **ALABAMA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**

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### **MINUTES Board Meeting July 8, 2016**

The Alabama Board of Massage Therapy met on Friday, July 8, 2016, at the Board Office located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, in order to conduct regular business. The following Board members were in attendance: Mr. Michael Stephens (Chair), Mr. Lance Gilliland (Vice-Chair), Mr. Willie DeVold (member), Mr. Lemar Storey (member), Ms. Gwen Motley (member) and Mr. Foad Araiinejad (member). Also in attendance were Mr. Randy Barrows (Administrator), Mr. Bill Garrett (Legal Counsel) and Ms. Renee' Reames (Executive Secretary to Mr. Warren, and serving as recording secretary). A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 10:25 a.m.

Public notice of this regularly scheduled meeting was published on the Secretary of State's web site at [www.sos.alabama.gov](http://www.sos.alabama.gov) in accordance with the requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act and advertised on the Board's web site at

The minutes from the April 8, 2016 Board meeting were presented to the Board members for their approval. A copy of the minutes was provided to the Board prior to the meeting for their review. Mr. Gilliland made a motion to approve the April minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board (available for viewing in the Board's Official Book of Minutes).

Mr. Barrows presented the Executive Director's Report, to include the Financial Report as of June 30, 2016. A detail financial report of deposits and vouchers, through the third quarter of FY 2016, was presented for the Board's approval (detailed report is on file in the Board's Official Book of Minutes.). Mr. Barrows also reported on the current number of licensees and number of complaints received to-date in FY 2016. Mr. Gilliland made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Barrows also presented to the Board the Administrator's Report containing a list of administrative activities accomplished since the last Board meeting, along with a list of inspections conducted by Mr. Mike James that had been performed from January through June, 2016.

Mr. Bill Garrett, Assistant Attorney General, was present as Legal Counsel, and he indicated that he had no new business to present to the Board.

Mr. Stephens introduced Ms. Karen Vaughn, Government Relations chairperson with the Alabama Chapter of the American Massage Therapy Association.

Mr. Araiinedjad made the motion to ratify the approval of massage therapist applications by the Executive Director. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gilliland and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Gilliland made the motion to approve the instructor applications as presented to the Board (a list of the approved applications is available in the Board's Official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. DeVold and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Motley made a motion to approve the renewal application of the Gadsden State Community College pending evidence that CRP course was offered in the school's curriculum. The motion was seconded by Mr. Araiinedjad and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Gilliland made a motion to approve the renewal application of Blue Cliff Career College. The motion was seconded by Mr. Araiinedjad and unanimously approved by the Board (a list of the approved applications is available in the Board's Official Book of Minutes).

Mr. Araiinedjad made a motion to approve the Continuing Education Providers as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gilliland and unanimously approved by the Board (a list of approved renewal applications is available in the Board's Official Book of Minutes).

The Board reviewed the massage therapist applications by individuals who had attended out-of-state schools, etc. (a list of the approved applications is available in the Board's Official Book of Minutes).

Mr. Gilliland made a motion to deny the application of Ping Chen for educational discrepancies and requested a more detailed course descriptions to determine qualifications. The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Gilliland made a motion to deny the application of Yan X. Xu for educational discrepancies and requested a more detailed course descriptions to determine qualifications. The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Araiinedjad made a motion to approve the application of Feng Yan Yu for Massage Therapist license. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gilliland and the motion did not pass by majority vote. Following further discussion by the Board members about the applicant's coursework, Mr. DeVold made a motion to revote on the approval of the application. The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and the application was approved by the majority of the Board, with one opposing vote.

Mr. Gilliland made a motion to approve the new applications for Massage Therapist license as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Araiinedjad and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled on Friday, October 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Mr. DeVold made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Storey and unanimously approved by the Board. Mr. Stephens adjourned the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael Stephens

*Chair*



Keith E. Warren

*Executive Director*

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