

## ALABAMA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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## MINUTES Board Meeting Friday, October 12, 2012

The Alabama Board of Massage Therapy met on Friday, October 12, 2012, at the Board Office located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, in order to conduct business. The following members were in attendance: Mr. Michael Stephens, Chair, Mr. Lance Gilliland, Vice Chair, Mr. Foad Araiinejad, member, and Gwen Motley, member. Members not in attendance were Willie DeVold, Donna Sertell and Ms. Angel Stacey. Also in attendance were Keith Warren, (Executive Director), Randy Barrows (Administrator) and Ms. Renee' Reames (Executive Secretary to Mr. Warren). A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 10:13 a.m.

Public notice of this meeting was published on the Secretary of State's web site at <a href="https://www.sos.alabama.gov">www.sos.alabama.gov</a> in accordance with the requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act and advertised on the Board's web site at <a href="https://www.almtbd.alabama.gov">www.almtbd.alabama.gov</a>.

The minutes from the July 27, 2012 and September 14, 2012 meetings were presented to the Board members for their review. Ms. Motley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented (available for viewing in the Board's Official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. Gilliland and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Director's Report, to include the Financial Report (payment vouchers and deposits available for viewing in the Board's Official Book of Minutes), and current number of licensees. Mr. Gilliland made the motion that the Executive Director Report and Financial Report be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Araiinejad and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren requested articles for the Board's newsletter to be published and distributed electronically to licensees. The Board set November 15, 2012 as the deadline for articles.

Mr. Warren and the Board members congratulated Mr. Gilliland for having been elected to the FSMTB Board of Directors. Mr. Warren stated this announcement will also be included in Board's newsletter.

Mr. Warren presented revision to Rule 532-x-2-.02 Board Duties, delegating to the Executive Director the authority to approve applications with stipulating criteria (proposed rule available for viewing in the Board's Official Book of Minutes). Mr. Araiinejad made a motion to approve the proposed amended Rule 532-X-2-.02 as presented and be published for public comment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gilliland and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Araiinejad made a motion to approve the new applications for Massage Therapist licenses as presented (a list of the approved applications is available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Gilliland made a motion to approve the applications for Massage Therapy School renewal applications as presented to the Board (list attached). The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Araiinejad made a motion to approve the Continuing Education Provider applications as presented (a list of the approved applications is available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported that he will present another draft of proposed legislation for the Board's approval to submit to the Legislature.

The Board discussed the Sunset Audit Report concerning the posting of Board vacancies.

The Board discussed establishing a committee to review the micro-circuit device with a cold laser for use by licensed massage therapists. The Board further discussed amending the statute to allow for new devices. It was agreed that the committee, comprised of Mr. Stephens, Ms. Motley and Mr. Araiinejad would meet on December 14, prior to the Board meeting, to discuss the device and make a recommendation to the Board.

The Board discussed certain spa therapy treatment services taught at some Massage Therapy Schools, which are not regulated by the Massage Therapy Board, but may be regulated by the Cosmetology Board.

The Board inquired about the availability of on-line renewal of licenses. Mr. Warren reported that he was reviewing information about adding this option to the Board's website.

The next meeting of the Board will be December 14, 2012.

There being no further business, Mr. Gilliland made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 a.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Motley and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael S. Stephens

Keith E. Warren

Executive Director