

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC AND MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS
BOARD MEETING

July 10, 2014

GENERAL SESSION AGENDA

1. Review, approval of Agenda
2. Review, approval of Board Minutes of last meeting (*June 12, 2014*).
3. Review of Administrative Issues, Mr. J.J. Vallone, JD, Executive Director and Ms. Adrienne Congo, MS, Deputy Director:
 - a) Citizen Advocacy Center (CAC) Annual Meeting in Baltimore being co-hosted by DHMH October 23-24 (Thurs/Fri) at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in the Inner Harbor
Topic- "Effective Regulation through Collaboration"
 - b) 2014 & 2015 Board Fiscal Projections – Re: Impact to License and Registration Holders
 - c) 2014-2016 Massage Therapy Biennial Renewals Preparation Report
 - d) FSMTB – Reported Changes to MBLEx
4. Regulatory Subcommittee Public Meeting Summary and Update(s)
5. Bylaws Draft Final Version for Board Review
6. Requests for Chiropractic Trade Name Approval: (Not Applicable This Meeting)
7. Requests for Massage Trade Name Approval:
 - (a) *Angel Touch Massage Spa* – Yanxia Zhou, RMP
 - (b) *Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork, LLC* – Mackenzi L. Gawthrop, RMP
 - (c) *Q Avery Massage* – Qarntina Avery, LMT

FYI: Miscellaneous correspondence for review/discussion

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MINUTES – GENERAL SESSION

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Members Present

Michael Fedorczyk, DC, Board President
David Cox, LMT, Board Vice President
Karen Biagiotti, LMT, Board Secretary
Stephanie Chaney, DC, Fmr. Board President
Jonathan Nou, DC
Robert Frieman, DC
Michael Moskowitz, DC
Gregory C. Lewis, DC
Ernestine Jones Jolivet, Consumer Member
Gloria Boddie-Epps, Consumer Member

Non-Members Present

James Vallone, Executive Director
Adrienne Congo, Deputy Director
Grant Gerber Esq, AAG, Board Counsel
James Gamble, Admin Specialist II
Michelle Czarnecki, Compliance Manager
Louis Crivelli, DC, MCA
Leeann Irwin, LMT
Jeannie Schwartz, BSOM
Sharon Bloom, DHMH
Paula Hollinger, DHMH
Lynne Brummitt
Anthony Hardnett

Members Absent

Gwenda Harrison, LMT

Dr. Fedorczyk called the meeting to order at 9:59am.

Review of Agenda and Minutes:

The July 10, 2014 Agenda was reviewed by the Board and the following revisions were suggested: (1) Deletion of Massage Petition for Ileana Sutter, LMT from the General Session and move to the Executive Session.

Dr. Nou moved to approve the July 10, 2014 Agenda with those revisions; Ms. Jones Jolivet seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

The June 10, 2014 Board Minutes were reviewed by the Board. The following revisions were suggested: Addition of paragraph under “Discussion on Implementation and Passing of HB 1157”;
“Board will ensure compliance of the regulations effecting increased minimum massage training hours (600 hours) for Board approved schools presented for Board approval which are contained on an Excel approval list. Notification of change to schools will be on a case by case basis if necessary as member association and other entities generally provide current update.”

Dr. Frieman moved to approve the June 10, 2014 Board Minutes with those revisions; Ms. Jones-Jolivet seconded and the motion was unanimously voted by the Board.

Review of Administrative Issues, Mr. J.J. Vallone, JD, Executive Director and Ms. Adrienne Congo, MS Deputy Director

a) Citizen Advocacy Center (CAC) Annual Meeting in Baltimore being co-hosted by DHMH October 23-24 (Thurs/Fri) at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in the Inner Harbor, Topic – “Effective Regulation through Collaboration”.

Executive Director, Mr. Jim Vallone notified the Board there will be two members attending the Citizen Advocacy Center annual meeting and those members will be selected at a later time.

b) 2014 & 2015 Board Fiscal Projections – Re: Impact to License and Registration Holders

Executive Director, Mr. Jim Vallone advised the Board that FY 2015 (July 14 – July 15) projections indicate the Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners can reduce the renewal fees by \$25.00 for massage therapy license and registration holders.

c) 2014-2016 Massage Therapy Biennial Renewals Preparation Report

Deputy Director, Ms. Adrienne Congo notified the Board that information was sent to licensees and registrants via the July 9th newsletter. Postcards are scheduled to be mailed to all licensees on July 15th with an additional letter from Ms. Congo to be sent on August 1st. Ms. Congo additionally advised the Board that the online renewal period is scheduled for the end of August. Additionally she advised the Board that she is collaborating with the Information Technology Department to create a mandatory field for Massage Therapists to complete during their online renewal period regarding their office addresses.

d) FSMTB – Reported Changes to MBLEx

Ms. Congo advised the Board of the following changes that FSMTB that will become effective July 1, 2014.

- FSMTB allows candidates who failed the MBLEx to retake the examination after thirty (30) days have elapsed from the previous examination attempt.
- Candidates will have two (2) hours to complete the exam. Of this time, a maximum of five minutes is allotted to the security and confidentiality agreement and five minutes to a brief survey.
- Each MBLEx candidate must answer 100 multiple-choice questions, customized to their ability level.
- The MBLEx is administered using Computer Adaptive Testing (CAT). A description of CAT is available in the Candidate Handbook on page 30.
- Based on the 2013 Job Task Analysis, there has been a minor redistribution of the percentages for the topic areas of the MBLEx Content Outline. The MBLEx Content Outline is available at www.fsmtb.org and in the Candidate Handbook on page 20.

Regulatory Subcommittee Public Meeting Summary and Update(s)

Mr. Vallone notified the Board that during the Regulatory Subcommittee Meeting held on 7/10/14 at 9:00am, public attendees were notified that HB 1157 has granted the increase of the education requirements for Massage Therapists to 600 hours and altered the requirements for LMT status for

requirements for Massage Therapists to 600 hours and altered the requirements for LMT status for new applicants. The public attendees were also informed that HB401 has authorized background checks that would be conducted on all new applicants before licensure or registration is granted by the Board.

Bylaws Draft Final Version for Board Review

The Board reviewed the final draft of the Board's Bylaws. Ms. Jones Jolivet moved to accept the final version of the Board Bylaws; Mr. Cox seconded and the motion was unanimously voted by the Board.

Requests for Chiropractic Trade Name Approval:

(Not Applicable This Meeting)

Requests for Massage Trade Name Approval:

The following massage therapy trade name requests were **approved** by Board motions. Ms. Biagiotti moved to approve; Mr. Cox seconded and the motions were unanimously voted by the Board:

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- c) *Q Avery Massage* – Qarntina Avery, LMT

Upon motion by Dr. Frieman, seconded by Dr. Chaney, the Board unanimously voted to close General session at 10:33am.

Respectfully Submitted:



Ms. Karen Biagiotti
Board Secretary/Treasurer