

BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS

JANUARY 25, 2017 – General Session

Members Present

David A. Cox, LMT, *Chair*
Gwenda Harrison, LMT, *Vice Chair*
Gloria Boddie-Epps, *Secretary/Treasurer*
Margaret Hayes, *Consumer*
Paula K. Jilanis, LMT
J. Paige Szymanski, LMT
Caitlin M. Thompson, LMT

Non-Members Present

Laurie Sheffield-James, *Executive Director*
Adrienne Congo, MS, *Deputy Director*
Grant D. Gerber, AAG, *Board Counsel*
Kimberly B. Link, JD, *Compliance Manager*
Christopher Bieling, *Investigator*
Elizabeth Sanders
Natalie Moffit Smith
Amelia Mitchell, AMTA
Sabrina Lopez, AMTA
Sara Rossio
Eric Jones Williams

Mr. Cox called the meeting to order at 10:07 am.

- I. **Review/Approval of Agenda** – *approved with changes.*
- II. **Review/Approval of Minutes** from December 28, 2016 meeting– *approved with changes.*
- III. **Reports**
 - A. Executive Director:
 - i. Appointment of Dennis Schrader, Secretary DHMH;
 - ii. 2017 Legislative Session: procedure regarding Board’s position on proposed legislation;
 - iii. FSTMB/Clear online training re: intro to regulatory governance;
 - iv. FARB – Board will enroll as a full member post separation from Chiropractic Board.
 - B. Deputy Director: Discussion of charts depicting 2017 license and registration statistics.

IV. **Committee Reports**

- A. By-Laws (*Hayes*): moved to Administrative Session.
- B. Rehabilitation (*Thompson*): Draft policy and procedures will be available to full

Board on or about 01/30/2017; revisions/comments due 02/10/2017; final to be presented to full Board at February meeting.

V. Old Business

- A. Statute and regulations (*Link*): new statute and regulations are now available on the Board's website;
- B. Discussion regarding allowing CE credit for attendance at board meetings: tabled.

VI. New Business (*Sheffield-James*): Discussion of addition of this Board to policy set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding from MTA regarding discounted fares for patients of licensees with disabilities.

VII. Ratification of new licensees and registrants- *approved*.

VIII. Miscellaneous

- Procurement of upgraded cell phones for investigators at no charge to the Board.
- Thursday, February 9, 2017, MSTA Legislative Day in Annapolis, MD.

The General Session adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectfully submitted:

Gloria Boddie-Epps, Secretary/Treasurer