



## State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

### OPEN SESSION MINUTES

#### Teleconference Call

September 22, 2021, 10:03 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

#### Members Present

Caitlin M. Thompson, LMT, Board Chair  
Paula K. Jilanis, LMT, Vice Chair  
Kirsten Bodnarchuk, LMT, Secretary/Treasurer  
David Cox, LMT, Board Member  
Diane Jones Richards, Consumer Member  
Margaret Hayes, Consumer Member  
Eric Newdom, LMT, Board Member

#### Non-Members Present

Sharon Oliver, MBA, Executive Director  
Christopher Hawkins, Licensing Unit Manager  
Tony DeFranco, AAG, Board Counsel  
Pamela Alston, Admin. Specialist  
Marc Ware, Senior Investigator  
Lillian Reese, Legislative Coordinator  
Kimberly Link, MDH Boards Liaison

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#### Call to Order at 10:03 a.m. by Board Chair

The regularly scheduled Open Session meeting of the Maryland State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners was held via teleconference call on September 22, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Board Chair Caitlin M. Thompson, LMT. Roll call was taken and all Board Members were present.

**Review/Approval of the Amended Open Session Agenda** – David Cox motioned to accept the Open Session Agenda; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kirsten Bodnarchuk. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

**Review/Approval of the Open Session Minutes for July 28, 2021 & August 25, 2021** motioned to accept the Open Session Minutes; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Margaret Hayes; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kirsten Bodnarchuk. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

#### OLD BUSINESS - MATTERS FOR REPORTING

**BOARD CHAIR REPORTS** – Nothing to report.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – *(Sharon J. Oliver, MBA)*

**New Board Member Orientation, October 1 & October 22, 2021**-The new Board Member orientation will be held on October 1<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12:00 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. each day. All new and existing Board Members are encouraged to attend both sessions.



**LICENSING UNIT MANAGER’S REPORT**– *Christopher Hawkins, Sr.* – Nothing to report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Advisory Committee** – Nothing to report.

**Ad-Hoc JP Exam Committee** – (*Paula Jilanis, LMT*)

The committee received the JP Examination back from David Mark. However, there is one final correction to be made. A sample test run will take place to ensure efficacy. Results will be reported back to Mr. Mark. Updates next meeting.

**Licensing Committee** – Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS – MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

**Board Chair Reports** – (*Caitlin Thompson, LMT*) – Nothing to report.

**Plaque Presentation to David A. Cox, LMT** – The Board thanked David A. Cox, Board Member, Past Chair, Vice President & Secretary/Treasurer for his tenure on the joint board and Massage Board. David has served since 2010. We will miss him immensely and wish him well in his endeavors!

**Executive Director’s Report** – (*Sharon J. Oliver, MBA*)

**Staff Update & Training** – Sharon Oliver reported that Ms. T. Nicole Cullings has resigned from her position as Chiropractic Board Investigator effective September 21, 2021. We wish Ms. Cullings well & much success with her future endeavors!

**CLEAR Training for Board Members & Staff – So You Think You Want to be a Regulator Virtual on Demand Courses. Cost – \$950** This virtual on demand training is available to Board Members and Staff for a one-year period. The training will cover ethics, regulatory process, governance, dealing with conflict and more. The cost will be shared with the Chiropractic Board and enrollment will cover up to 25 people. Motion to approve CLEAR Training for 25 people by Paula Jilanis; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Margaret Hayes. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

**2021 Fiscal Year Report**

Sharon Oliver compiled and presented the Massage Board’s 2021 Fiscal Year Report. This report gave an overview of the activities and performance of the Licensing, Administrative and Compliance Units. Detailed information highlighted the Board’s mission statement, revenue report, staff trainings, and public disciplinary actions. The report is being made available on the Board’s website.



**AELR Annual Hold & Cutoff Date for Submission of Proposals- Regulations (December 1, 2021-February 14, 2022).** -There is a deadline to submit regulation proposals for the 2022 legislative session; however, these dates will not affect the Board. Sharon Oliver acknowledged Lillian Reese for her expertise on regulations process.

**2023 Fiscal Year Budget** – The 2023 proposed budget was presented. Ms. Oliver reminded the Board that fiscal budgets for subsequent years are always prepared a year in advance.

**Election of Executive Officers** – *(Diane Jones-Richard & Sharon Oliver)*

Diane Jones Richards announced the slate of officers for the new 2021-2023 board term. Ms. Oliver announced the results of the Executive Committee election.

**Board Chair** – *Caitlin Thompson, LMT*  
**Vice-Chair**- *Kirsten Bodnarchuk, LMT*  
**Secretary-Treasurer**- *Margaret Hayes, Consumer Member*

Congratulations to the new executive officers! Positions will take effective 10/1/2021.

**LICENSING UNIT MANAGER’S REPORT** – *Christopher Hawkins, Sr.*

**Current Licensure Statistics**

**Active & Inactive Licensees/Registrants as of 09/15/2021**

Category	Status	#
License Massage Therapist	Active	2221
License Massage Therapist	Inactive	255
Registered Massage Practitioner	Active	1474
Registered Massage Practitioner	Inactive	91

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Advisory Committee** – *(Paula Jilanis, LMT)* – Nothing to report.

**Licensing Committee** – *(Kirsten Bodnarchuk, LMT)* – Nothing to report.

**Actions from the July 28, 2021 Closed Session** – The Board did not conduct a closed session meeting.

**PETITION(S)/PORTFOLIO REVIEWS/ PETITIONS/ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN** – None

**Applicant(s) Ratifications**



**Ratification of Board Issued Licenses and Registrations LMT's & RMP's – July & August 2021.** Motion to accept the entire group of LMT's & RMP's as a whole by David Cox; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paula Jilanis. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0. *Welcome to the State of Maryland!*

**New LMT's**

License Number	Name	Original License Date
M06236	Nelson, Natalie A.	07/01/2021
M06227	Stewart, Clovelin	07/02/2021
M06228	Henry, Stephen L.	07/02/2021
M06239	Glover, Linda K.	07/02/2021
M06240	Niko, Atera M.	07/06/2021
M06241	Williams, Tina M.	07/06/2021
M06242	Kundert, Henrietta S.	07/08/2021
M06244	Wijesinghe, Kenneth C.	08/02/2021
M06245	Xu, Su Ping	08/02/2021
M06246	Davenport, Michelle M.	08/02/2021
M06247	Catey, Tiara L.	08/04/2021
M06248	Davis, Tracy	08/04/2021
M06250	Tian, Tan	08/31/2021

**Total 13**

**RMP to LMT Conversion**

License Number	Name	Original License Date
M06234	Brown, Dominiqua S.	01/12/2017
M06249	James, Ona M.	11/29/2016

**Total 2**

**New RMP's**

License Number	Name	Original License Date
R03377	Schuster, Victoria A.	07/02/2021
R03378	Moody, Angel A.	07/02/2021
R03379	Dempsey, Aaron M.	07/02/2021
R03380	Shi, Xinhui	07/02/2021
R03381	Jones, Tyesha	07/06/2021
R03382	Short, Michael Q.	07/06/2021
R03383	Utuporn, Patcharanun	07/08/2021
R03384	Jamal, Jazmine C.	07/13/2021



R03385	Beatty, Moriah A.	07/21/2021
R03386	Speaks, Maya L.	07/29/2021
R03387	LaGuerre, Bremacha A.	08/02/2021
R03388	Ma, Chunhua	07/02/2021
R03389	Zheng, Haihua	07/02/2021
R03390	Sisperova, Jana	08/02/2021
R03391	Brunt, Abigail N.	08/02/2021
R03392	Grant, Gary	08/04/2021
R03393	Hamlin, Ambrey	08/04/2021
R03394	Guo, Sammy	08/04/2021
R03395	Kelly, Taji M.	08/04/2021
R03396	Baker, Shanika	08/04/2021
R03397	Tao, Ran	08/04/2021
R03398	Mosby, Qwaisha R	08/10/2021
R03399	Holtsberg, Sarah M.	08/10/2021
R03400	Cecchini, Katherine M.	08/20/2021
R03401	Heck, Wynona A.	08/26/2021
R03402	Matthew, Henrietta	08/26/2021
R03403	Deloach, Marisa L.	08/27/2021
R03404	Lee, Parrish S.	08/30/2021
R03405	Wernsman, Elizabeth A.	08/31/2021

**Total 29**

**REVIEW ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN** – None

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Questions submitted by the Public** (*Sharon Oliver, Tony DeFranco & Kirsten Bodnarchuk*) – None.

**Next Meeting** – September 22, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.

**Open Session Meeting Adjourned** – Motion to adjourn Open Session Meeting at 10:50 a.m. by Margaret Hayes; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paula Jilanis. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kirsten Bodnarchuk by SBD*

Kirsten Bodnarchuk, LMT  
Secretary/Treasurer



# STATE OF MARYLAND BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS

**OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING**  
September 22, 2021 – 10:03 A.M. TO 10:50 A.M.

## CALL IN PARTICIPANTS

1. Amelia Mitchell, AMTA
2. Chelsea Adams-Cook
3. Robin Anderson
4. Lynne Brummitt
5. Laure Embleton
6. Michelle England
7. John Harnly
8. Bryan Inman
9. Tara McManaway
10. Regina Schneider