

Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee

March 7, 2001

Regular Open Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapists was held on March 7, 2001 in the Monmouth Room on the 7th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Barbara G. Benson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Present were Committee Members: Carol Alexander, Barbara G. Benson, Donda Kraus-Sternberg, Deborah Overholt (Vice-chairperson), Henry Roth, Alan G. Vonderahe.

ALSO PRESENT

Deputy Director, Anthony Miragliotta, Regulatory Analyst, Charles Manning, Deputy Attorney General, Kathy Rohr, Executive Director, New Jersey State Board of Nursing, Patricia Polansky, Assistant Executive Director, Kathryn Schneider.

A QUORUM WAS DECLARED PRESENT

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing on February 1, 2001. A schedule of all 2001 Regular Open Board Meetings of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee to be held during 2001 was provided to the Office of the Secretary of State, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, The New York Times, Camden Courier Post, and The Philadelphia Inquirer. The schedule has also been posted on the bulletin board at the New Jersey Board of Nursing Office.

MINUTES:

A reading and approval of the minutes for the regular open meeting on February 7, 2001.

THE COMMITTEE, UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND SECONDED BY DONDA KRAUS-STERNBERG, VOTED FOR APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 7, 2001 REGULAR OPEN MEETING MINUTES.

Advertising

Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director, discussed with Committee members that the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee may in the future choose to discuss with other Boards (i.e. Cosmotology) any cross-overs in advertising that may occur.

Mailing Lists

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst and Kathy Rohr, Deputy Attorney General, discussed developing a mailing list(s) for Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy. Discussion included a mass mailing for Massage, Bodywork and

Somatic Therapy Schools. The mass mailing letter would include information on titling and certification.

Regulations

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, discussed with the Committee members the following regulations for Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy: Definitions and grandparenting. The Committee determined Grandparenting would begin from the date the rules are adopted.

Application(s)

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst and Kathy Rohr, Deputy Attorney discussed with the Committee items that may be found in the application packet for Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy. The packet contents included: the application, fee and an affidavit form attesting to "good moral character".

Therapeutic Touch

George Hebert, Deputy Executive Director, of the Board of Nursing presented for the Committee members and staff an overview of Therapeutic Touch; historical and clinical perspectives.

Adjournment

The Committee made a motion to go into executive session to approve the February 7, 2001 executive minutes.

On March 7, 2001 the Regular Open Examining Committee meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m. The next regular open Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Examining Committee will be held on April 4, 2001.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara G. Benson
Chairperson



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