

**MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY
MINUTES
REGULAR OPEN COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 28, 2007**

A meeting of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee was held on March 28, 2007 in the Sussex Conference Room on the 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Alan Vonderahe, Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

ROLL CALL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Deborah Overholt
Alan Vonderahe

ALSO PRESENT

Margaret Howard, Field Representative
Ginger Provost, Deputy Attorney General
Diane Scott, Support Staff

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Donda Kraus-Sternberg

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 November 27, 2006. A schedule of all 2007 Regular Open Committee Meetings of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee to be held during 2007 was provided to the Office of the Secretary of State, Star Ledger, Trenton-Times, The New York Times, Camden Courier Post, The Press of Atlantic City and The Philadelphia Inquirer. The schedule has also been posted on the bulletin board at the New Jersey State Board of Nursing Office.

A reading and approval of the Agenda for the March 28, 2007 Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Meeting with amendments:

1. To add under correspondence- 1) additional information on Polarity Therapy, 2) an article in the Herald News "Massage parlor raid turns up list of 300 clients", written by Paul Brubaker, and 3) News Release from the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards regarding the results of the Job Task Analysis.

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY ALAN VONDERAHE, VOTED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE MARCH 28, 2007 MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY EXAMINING COMMITTEE MEETING AS AMENDED. THE MOTION CARRIED.

A reading and approval of the Open Committee Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2007 with amendments:

• pg 2 - under correspondence #1 change the word appearance to attendance. Change "to attend" to at. • pg 3 - under new business #1 change the wording in the last sentence to "if it is amended in accordance with the Committee's recommendations". #2 change word "in" to "with". #3 change the word "verify" to "determine". • pg 4 - under open forum, second paragraph; take out the word by and capitalize the H in having and add "and disciplinary matters" to the motion. • pg 5 - under Darryl Savage change wording of the motion to reflect, "The

following applicant was considered by the Committee and it was revealed that the applicant is a friend of the chair, Mr. Vonderahe and was instructed by Committee member Deborah Overholt. Therefore, the Committee voted to invoke the rule of necessity and have Committee member Donda Kraus-Sternberg consider the application".

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY ALAN VONDERAHE, VOTED TO APPROVE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY EXAMINING COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2007 AS AMENDED. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. February 27, 2007, e-mail from LaRose S. Daniels, MS, RPP, APTA Legislative Director, JGRC Representative regarding Polarity Therapy Licensure.

The Committee directed that a letter be sent to APTA requesting the organization to provide a more thorough description of it's program.

2. February 28, 2007, letter from Yong Soo Ahn, Director, New Wave Myotherapy Academy regarding the school's transcription.

3. March 13, 2007, article in the Herald News "Massage parlor raid turns up list of 300 clients".

4. March 26, 2007, News Release from the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards regarding the results from the Job Task Analysis.

APPEARANCE:

1. Judy Moore, LMT, MPH, The Institute for Continuing Education

Ms. Moore met with the Committee to discuss the continuing education classes that are being offered at the Institute for Continuing Education. There will be an Ethics and Law class which will consist of 8 hours for each class.

The Committee determined that since the Institute for Continuing Education has received approval from NCBTMB, they do not have to seek approval from the Committee.

OPEN FORUM:

Alan Vonderahe asked the public to share with the committee any concerns, issues or questions:

1. Susan Ring - commented on the delay posting of the agendas and minutes.

2. Jaclyn Boone, Feldenkrais - commented on the language in Senate Bill 2536, expressing her

3. Rena K. Margulis, Dipl., ABT (NCCAOM), NCTMB, Tandem Point Therapy, provided comments on Senate Bill 2536. Ms. Margulis commented about temporary permits being issued to individuals to work until the licensing process is completed and actual license is available. Ms. Margulis stated that students should be allowed to touch clients under the supervision of a licensed or certified professional.

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY ALAN VONDERAHE, VOTED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO REVIEW THE APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION AND DISCIPLINARY MATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

OPEN SESSION RESUMED:

The following applicants were approved for certification:

1. Alevtina Brady
2. Dennis Luciano
3. James Ferrara
4. Won Ho Hong
5. Diane Rose
6. Denise Vizzini
7. Yue Zi Huang
8. Jenny Reynaga
9. Annette Whitsett

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY ALAN VONDERAHE, VOTED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE APPLICANTS LISTED ABOVE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

The following applicants are approved pending receipt of additional information:

1. Kathleen Czaihowski
2. Danielle Firmenich
3. Hae Kyong Yang
4. Ursula Kohama
5. Sung Song
6. Douglas Maddy
7. Jong Sun Yun
8. Nathan Cimmino

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Statement Under Oath

1. Jill Higgins - Request a statement under oath as to what she has done to retrieve info/transcript from Ache-Away. Has she contacted teachers-students. Also list to the best of her knowledge the courses and hours in the program.
2. Vlasta Karchutnakova - Request a statement under oath verifying that in her training she received at least 45 hours of anatomy and physiology and 150 hours of massage theory and practice.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Deborah Overholt and duly seconded by Alan Vonderahe to adjourn the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Meeting. Whereupon the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. The next Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Meeting will be held on April 25, 2007.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan G. Vonderahe
Committee Chair