

**MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY
MINUTES
REGULAR OPEN COMMITTEE MEETING
JULY 25, 2007**

A meeting of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee was held on July 25, 2007 in the Essex Conference Room on the 7th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Alan Vonderahe, Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

ROLL CALL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Deborah Overholt
Donda Kraus-Sternberg
Alan Vonderahe

ALSO PRESENT

George J. Hebert, Executive Director
Margaret Howard, Field Representative
Ginger Provost, Deputy Attorney General
Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst (limited to discussion of the regulations)
Diane Scott, Support Staff
Alba Jaramillo

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 July 25, 2007 Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Meeting with amendments:

1. To add under new business - 1) the discussion of revising the regulations, regarding approval of CEU programs.
2. To add under old business - 1) the discussion of supervised clinical practice.

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY DONDA KRAUS-STERNBERG, VOTED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE JULY 25, 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 June 27, 2007 with amendments:

(additional corrections to the May 30, 2007 minutes)

- pge # 3 - old business #2 second paragraph to state: A discussion ensued regarding Supervised Clinical Practice and the Committee wants part of the supervised clinical practice to be monitored by a faculty member and the rest may be on the premise of a faculty member. #3 to state: A discussion ensued regarding two applicants that

were certified before receiving the criminal history background check results. The Committee discussed developing a mechanism that will prevent such errors as this from recurring. • pge #4 - new business #3 to state: Other States Massage Regulations. A discussion ensued regarding other States regulations governing massage therapy. Applicants applying for certification by endorsement are required to submit a copy of the regulations governing massage therapy from the state in which he or she is licensed or certified.

(corrections to the June 27, 2007 minutes)

• pge #3 - open forum Changed wording in the comments made by Rena Margulis to state that the draft of the bill is inadequate and it should be overridden. • pge #4 - second list of applicants Remove Yoo Yang Choi from the list of approval pending.

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY DONDA KRAUS-STERNBERG, VOTED TO APPROVE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY EXAMINING COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 27, 2007 AS AMENDED. THE MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Committee discussed revisions to the following regulations:

1. N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.11 Continuing Education, Program Standards

The Committee voted to amend N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(f) and 16.11(e), and delete N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.11(h), to end Committee review and approval of continuing education courses.

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY DONDA KRAUS-STERNBERG, VOTED TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.5(f) and 16.11 (e) CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TO DELETE N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.11 (h). THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.3 Certification without education or examination

The Committee voted to delete N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.3, Certification without education or examination, as the deadline for applying for certification under this rule, November 5, 2006, has passed;

N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.4 (d) Supervised Clinical Practice.

The Committee voted to amend N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.4(d) to clarify that clinical practice must be supervised by faculty members who are present on-site while services are being performed

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY DONDA KRAUS-STERNBERG, VOTED TO APPROVE TO REMOVE N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.3 CERTIFICATION WITHOUT EDUCATION OR EXAMINATION AND REVISED N.J.A.C. 13:37-16.4 (d) SUPERVISED CLINICAL PRACTICE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. May 26, 2007 letter from Shirley Henderson, Director of Continuing Education, Apollo Correspondence Classes regarding continuing education.

Once a continuing education provider has received approval from NCBTMB it does not need to seek Committee approval. The Committee directed that a letter be sent to Ms. Henderson confirming that she does not need to seek Committee approval.

2. June 29, 2007 letter from Donna Feeley, MPH, BSN, RN, NCTMB, Chair, NCBTMB regarding a June 12,

2007 State Board conference call.

The Committee directed that a letter be sent to Ms. Feeley thanking NCBTMB for the information regarding the development of a national practitioner disciplinary database. The Committee is asking to be kept informed.

3. July 9, 2007 letter from Sara Greer, Secretary, Natural Therapies Research Board, regarding becoming a continuing education provider.

The Committee directed that a letter be sent to Ms. Greer stating that once a continuing education provider has received approval from NCBTMB it does not need to seek Committee approval.

OPEN FORUM:

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

- There were no members from the public.

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY DONDA KRAUS-STERNBERG, 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 pending criminal history results:

Linda Garofallou Joan Millspaugh
Shelby Hurley Diane Murray
Stephen Klemash Keith Murray
Eleanore Levenson

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

The following applicants were denied certification, due to the expiration of the grandfathering provision:

Kim Haist Joann Stetter
Theresa Menagh Nadia Solima
Emilie Rowan Carter Voltz

AFTER DISCUSSION, THE COMMITTEE UPON A MOTION MADE BY DEBORAH OVERHOLT AND DULY SECONDED BY DONDA KRAUS-STERNBERG, VOTED TO DENY THE APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE APPLICANTS LISTED ABOVE DUE TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE GRANDFATHERING PROVISION. THE MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Deborah Overholt and duly seconded by Donda Kraus-Sternberg to adjourn the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Meeting. Whereupon the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. The next Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Meeting will be held on August 15, 2007.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Overholt
Committee Chair