

**MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR OPEN COMMITTEE MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 4, 2002**

A meeting of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapists was held on September 4, 2002 in the Sussex Conference Room on the 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Alan G. Vonderahe Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Committee Members: Carol Alexander, Donda Kraus-Sternberg, Deborah Overholt, Alan G. Vonderahe and Henry Roth.

**ALSO PRESENT**

Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director, Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs and Patricia Polansky, Executive Director, New Jersey Board of Nursing.

**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 2, 2002. A schedule of all 2002 Regular Open Board Meetings of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee to be held during 2002 was provide 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 State Board of Nursing Office.

A reading and approval of the Executive Session Minutes for the Meeting of June 5, 2002.

**THE COMMITTEE, UPON A MOTION MADE BY CAROL ALEXANDER AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 5, 2002.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

A reading and approval of the Open Committee Minutes for the Meeting of June 5, 2002.

**THE COMMITTEE, UPON A MOTION MADE BY CAROL ALEXANDER AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR OPEN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 5, 2002.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**Communication:**

1. Letter dated July 24, 2002 from Christine D. Niero, PhD, Executive Director, NCBTMB re: Contract with the Chauncey Group International. As of August 1, 2002, NCBTMB will be contracting with the Chauncey Group International, the leading provider of certification and licensing examinations for professionals, businesses and government.

**Appearances:**

1. Deborah Kole, Attorney, NJ State League of Municipalities, Trenton, NJ discussed with the committee concerns and issues regarding Massage Therapy and what would the impact or responsibilities be of the municipalities.

Alan Vonderahe suggested that the committee draft a thank you letter to Deborah Kole for taking time to address certain issues regarding massage.

The committee decided to format a ("distribution list") of people who want to be kept informed of any information regarding Massage Therapy in the State of New Jersey.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Alan G. Vonderahe asked the public to share with the Committee any concerns, issues, or questions.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On September 4, 2002 the Regular Open Examining Committee Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon. The Massage, Bodywork & Somatic Therapy Examining Committee will not meet until further notice.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Alan G. Vonderahe  
Chairman

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