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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES March 26, 2014

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A regular meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy was held at 124 Halsey Street Newark, New Jersey, in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th Floor, on Wednesday March 26, 2014. The meeting was convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. **Cynthia Sinicropi-Philibosian, Chairperson of the Board** called the meeting to order at 9:40 A.M. and a roll call was taken and the following attendance was recorded:

MARK J. CARANGELO	Present
DEBORAH OVERHOLT	Excused
CYNTHIA SINICROPI-PHILIBOSIAN	Present
DEBORAH ZASTOCKI	Excused
CHRISTINE GILL ROSE	Present

Also present were: Susan Carboni, Deputy Attorney General; Laura L. Anderson, Executive Director; Terri Goldberg, Assistant Deputy Director; Gerard Tobia, Administrative Staff.

OPENING STATEMENT "Reading of the Sunshine Law" **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 September 27, 2013. A schedule of all 2014 Regular Open Meetings of the Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy to be held during 2014 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 at the New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy Office.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

I. APPROVAL OF THE PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

A. February 26, 2014

A motion was made by Mark Carangelo and seconded by Christine Gill Rose, the Board voted to accept the minutes of the February 26, 2014 Board Meeting as amended. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

II. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Letter from Jean Robinson, Government Relations Director (ABMP)
RE: License Renewal 2014 / Continuing Education Requirement

Ms. Robinson wrote the Board to request that the State issue an emergency rule postponing continuing education requirements until the November 2016 license renewal for massage therapists who received their state licenses during the 2012-2014 licensing period.

A motion was made by Mark Carangelo and seconded by Christine Gill Rose, the Board voted to deny Ms. Robinson's request pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37A-4.4. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- B. Letter from Samuel M. Sardina (Applicant ID# 1711405)
RE: Application for Licensure

Mr. Sardina appeared before the Board in Public Session at its February 26, 2014 meeting to make a request regarding the status on his application.

The Board directed the review and license issuance to Mr. Sardina as long as he provided all licensure requirements.

- C. Letter from Billie Shea, Government Relations Liaison (NCBTMB)
RE: Resource for State Boards

Ms. Shea wrote the Board to introduce herself and NCBTMB as a resource to our licensing/registration organization. Ms. Shea took over the role of government relations liaison in December 2013.

The Board reviewed Ms. Shea's letter and considered this as informational material.

- D. Letter from Consuelo Evans, Director of Operations (NCMA)
National Certification Medical Association
RE: Continuing Medical Education

Mr. Evans wrote the Board to request a meeting with the Board to introduce his agency and present their credentials in order to seek recognition as a certifying organization for massage therapists in the State of New Jersey.

This matter was tabled until the April 23, 2014 Board Meeting.

E. ABROAD/INTERNATIONALS SCHOOLS

Since this is not contemplated within the Board's laws and regulations, the Board announced that at this time, applicants who attended schools out of USA will not be considered for licensure.

III. PUBLIC ORDERS

A. FINALIZATION OF PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE (No Response)

1. Felipe Cruz; License # 18KT00075900
POD filed on January 2, 2014

A motion was made by Mark Carangelo and seconded by Christine Gill Rose, the Board determined to affirm and finalize the Provisional Order of Discipline with no modifications. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

At 12:10 P.M. , the Board, upon a motion made by Mark Carangelo and seconded by Christine Gill Rose, voted to move into Executive Session to consider and review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information received pursuant to the Boards' regulations. The result of these deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary or other enforcement action. If the Board determines to issue any sanction, action will be taken in public session immediately after the Executive Session. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The Board returned to Public Session and a motion was made by Mark Carangelo and seconded by Christine Gill Rose, to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 P.M. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Anderson,
Executive Director