MINUTES
BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

JULY 11, 2017
9:00 A.M
Room 475  Fourth Floor
Heber M. Wells Building
160 E. 300 S. Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED: 9:05 a.m.  ADJOURNED: 2:05 p.m.

DOPL STAFF PRESENT:
Allyson Pettley, Bureau Manager
Nicky Glover, Board Secretary
Brandie Rigby, Compliance Specialist
Sicily Hill, Compliance Specialist
Mark Baca, Investigator

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Micheal Black, Chair
Roger Olbrot
Hal Morrell
Randall Nikola
Gloria Goff

GUESTS:
Ron Findley
Kirk Jorgensen
Shane Peterson
Taylor Olsen
Angela Anderson

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS: (9:06 a.m.)
Read and approve May 16, 2017 Minutes
Mr. Nikola made a motion to approve the May 16, 2017 minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Morrell. The motion passed unanimously.

COMPLIANCE REPORT: (9:07 a.m.)
Ms. Hill and Ms. Rigby provided a report on the probationers being seen today.

APPOINTMENTS:
Amanda DeBoard
Ms. DeBoard will not be in attendance at the Board meeting today. Her Massage Therapy license expired on May 31, 2017.
William Hickman (9:21 a.m.)

Mr. Black conducted the interview with Mr. Hickman. Mr. Black asked Mr. Hickman why he chose to come in today. Mr. Hickman originally had a telephonic interview scheduled. Mr. Hickman said that he had a relapse with alcohol and has had two positive tests. He is still attending his therapy program which ends in September and meeting with his counselor once a week. Mr. Hickman is on now on medication that helps with cravings and will make him ill if he drinks alcohol. He continues to talk to people which really helps him the most. Mr. Orbrot thanked him for coming in to the Board meeting today and for self-reporting. Mr. Hickman said that he has made a lot of progress in the past 15 months. Mr. Hickman is still working at The Sports Academy in Logan and seeing approximately 25 clients per week. Mr. Olbrot made a motion to issue a citation with a zero fine, seconded by Ms. Goff. The motion passed unanimously. The Board would like to meet with him at the September 26, 2017 Board meeting.

Jennifer Syndergaard (9:39 a.m.)

Mr. Olbrot conducted the interview with Ms. Syndergaard. Mr. Olbrot asked if she has learned anything and what she felt her strengths were. Ms. Syndergaard explained all the things that she has learned and that she felt more confident and is able to see the big picture. Mr. Olbrot said that she has been very compliant. Mr. Olbrot made a motion to release Ms. Syndergaard early from probation, seconded by Ms. Goff. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Pettley explained what the next step will be.

Tyler Hunt (10:05 a.m.)

Ms. Goff conducted the interview telephonically with Mr. Hunt. Ms. Goff asked who Peggy Williams is. Mr. Hunt said that she is his supervisor and they were past co-workers at the Red Mountain Spa. Mr. Hunt has met all of his requirements and is averaging three to five massage appointments per day, five days a week. Mr. Hunt is working at Elevation Fitness where he rents out a room. Mr. Hunt has many repeat customers and referrals. Ms. Pettley asked Mr. Hunt how often he meets with his supervisor. He said every so often, but she has not visited Mr. Hunt’s place of employment. He meets with her in person, speaks on the phone and uses text messaging. He hasn’t spoken with her in a month, only through text messaging. Ms. Pettley would like to know that Ms. Williams is going to his place of employment and that she has the responsibility to go and make a supervisory visit. Ms. Pettley suggested that he work with Ms. Hill to see if the owner of the gym where he rents space can be his supervisor. Ms. Goff made a motion to amend his supervisor to be the owner of the location where he is located, seconded by Mr. Olbrot. The motion passed unanimously. If the change of supervisor is possible, Ms. Pettley will need to make an amendment to his MOU. The Board would like to meet with him telephonically at the September 26, 2017 Board meeting.

COMPLIANT
NEW ORDER:

Paula Warner (9:45 a.m.)

This is Ms. Warner’s first appointment with the Board. Mr. Olbrot conducted the interview with Ms. Warner. Mr. Olbrot asked why she was here today. Ms. Warner explained her circumstances and criminal charges. Mr. Olbrot asked Ms. Warner how long she had been practicing. Ms. Warner said that she has been practicing for about 20 years. Ms. Warner is working approximately 25 to 30 hours per week doing massage. Ms. Warner goes to AA and is seeing a drug and alcohol counselor. Ms. Warner asked if her counselor could be her supervisor. Mr. Olbrot suggested that she has her clients complete a questionnaire rate her services. Ms. Pettley said that in the next seven days Ms. Warner develop a questionnaire and turn into Ms. Pettley or Ms. Hill for review. Ms. Pettley explained that they will need to have a conversation with her counselor and her MOU will need to be amended. Her counselor will need to provide confirmation in writing that he is willing to be her supervisor. Mr. Olbrot made a motion that she submits evaluation forms to her clients and that her Clinical Mental Health Counselor work as her supervisor, seconded by Ms. Goff. The motion passed unanimously. The Board would like to meet with her at the next Board meeting on September 26, 2017.

COMPLIANT

Jody Chen (10:18 a.m.)

This is Ms. Chen’s first appointment with the Board. Mr. Nikola conducted the interview with Ms. Chen. Ms. Chen explained her background and why she is working in Massage Therapy. She is working at Alpine Spinal Rehabilitation in Provo doing approximately three to six massages per day. Mr. Nikola asked why she is now on probation. Ms. Chen explained her situation and her criminal charges. Mr. Olbrot asked her about her six missed check-ins. Ms. Chen was confused about the check-ins and has since reached out to Ms. Rigby. Mr. Olbrot explained that missed check-ins could be considered a positive test and that it is critical that she checks in each day. Mr. Olbrot asked what she is doing to help her stay clean. Ms. Chen said that she is spending time with family, better friends and staying busy. She meets with her probationer officer once a month. Ms. Chen is found non-compliant, but it will be considered a learning curve. If she is non-compliant again, she will receive a citation and possible fine. The Board would like to meet with her at the next Board meeting on September 26, 2017.

NON-COMPLAINT

Julia Gillingham (10:40 a.m.)

This is Ms. Gillingham’s first appointment with the Board. Mr. Morrell conducted the meeting with Ms. Gillingham. Mr. Morrell asked if she knew why she was at the meeting. Ms. Gillingham is working at Pride Massage, doing approximately 15 – 20 massages per week. Ms. Gillingham wanted to make a life change from nursing for which she was on probation on two separate occasions and wanted to do massage therapy. He nursing license has since expired. Mr. Morrell asked if she had any questions for the Board. Ms. Gillingham just completed treatment in
May and attends AA. The Board would like to meet with her at the next Board meeting on September 26, 2017.

COMPLIANT

NEW APPRENTICESHIPS
Sarah Williams – Supervisor (11:03 a.m.)
Tami Davis- Apprentice
Ronald Wayman- Apprentice

Ms. Williams, Ms. Davis and Mr. Wayman are meeting with the Board to discuss their apprenticeship relationship. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to attend the meeting. They are using Sharon Muir's curriculum, Ms. Davis and Mr. Wayman have previous experience and would like to expand their knowledge and do what is required for licensing. They have not started their apprenticeships yet. Mr. Olbrot explained that they have to stay with the guidelines of the curriculum and they must keep their logs current. They are meeting one to two days per week and expect that the apprenticeship may last at least two years. Ms. Pettley asked about guest instructors, and if there are, Ms. Williams has to be there during the instruction. Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board does not need to meet with them again.

Allison Mitchell- Supervisor (11:33 a.m.)
Teri Thomas- Apprentice
Christin Torres- Apprentice

Ms. Mitchell, Ms. Thomas and Ms. Torres are meeting with the Board to discuss their apprenticeship relationship. Ms. Pettley explained why they are asked to attend the meeting. Mr. Black asked about the apprenticeship schedules and how she is working with the two apprenticeship. The apprenticeships are done at different times during the day. Ms. Mitchell explained the different schedules. Ms. Mitchell is using Sharon Muir’s curriculum for Ms. Thomas and Vickie Nielsen’s for Ms. Torres. Ms. Mitchell does have guest instructors come in and the Ms. Mitchell is present during the instructions. Ms. Pettley clarified that once the 1000 hours have been completed, the apprentice cannot work without getting licensed. Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board does not need to meet with them again.

Linda Halowell- Supervisor (11:59 a.m.)
Troy Halowell- Apprentice

Ms. Halowell and Mr. Halowell are meeting with the Board to discuss their apprenticeship relationship. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to attend the meeting today. The apprenticeship is taking place at Reviving Massage and they are using Vickie Nielsen’s curriculum. Mr. Halowell is five months into the curriculum. Mr. Olbrot let Mr. Halowell know that only the hours that are face to face time counts towards his apprenticeship. Mr. Black confirmed that they are using the logs and staying with the curriculum. Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board does not need to meet with them again.
Traci Birrell- Supervisor  
Alalamaele Afualo- Apprentice  
Ms. Birrell notified the Division that they would not be able to attend the meeting today. They will be scheduled for the next meeting on September 26, 2017

Michelle Nielsen- Supervisor (12:15 p.m.)  
Taanisha Rhone- Apprentice  
Lacey Brown- Apprentice  
This is Ms. Nielsen, Ms. Rhone and Ms. Brown second interview with the Board. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to meet with the Board today. They are using Sharon Muir’s curriculum and both apprentices are two and one half months in. Mr. Black asked to see their logs and they were able to provide them for review. Ms. Pettley asked how the apprenticeship is going since the last meeting. They said it is going so much better and they are having other instructors’ help where they need more expertise. Mr. Black asked if they were following the curriculum and they said that they were. The Board does not need to meet with them again.

Lauralee Trujillo- Supervisor (12:15 p.m.)  
Jaede Rockwood- Apprentice  
Ms. Rockwood has met with the Board previously and has since changed her apprentice instruction. She disassociated from her previous supervisor and is now working with Ms. Trujillo. Ms. Pettley asked Ms. Rockwood how the apprenticeship is going. Ms. Rockwood said that it is doing much better and they are catching up on what she missed in the past apprenticeship. This is Ms. Trujillo’s first apprenticeship and Ms. Pettley asked if she has any questions. The goal is to be completed September, but they understand that it might take an additional month. The Board does not need to meet with them again.

Andrea Walker – Supervisor (12:28 p.m.)  
Andrea Bateman- Apprentice  
Ms. Walker and Ms. Bateman are meeting with the Board today to discuss their apprenticeship. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to meet with the Board today. Mr. Black asked if they have their logs and a contract. They do not have a contract and have been keeping their logs on a phone. Mr. Black explained that they need to print the logs found on the website and begin using them. They are using Jennifer Middleton Brunt’s curriculum. Ms. Walker is using a nurse to help teach the anatomy courses and she is present during the training. They are not using the updated books and will need to get those books. Mr. Black reminded them that only face to face time is counted towards the apprenticeship training. They are meeting three to five hours every day doing hands on and training. Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board does not need to meet with them again.
DISCUSSION:

Apprenticeship questions and expectations (1:20 p.m.)

The Board discussed the questions that were submitted to review with the apprenticeship interviews. Questions were asked and answered. Mr. Nikola will update question list and send out to the Board members. The questions will be used at the next Board meeting on September 26, 2017.

Investigation statistics and reports (1:40 p.m.)

Mr. Baca gave a review on the Investigation’s statistics and reports for Massage Therapy. Questions were asked and answered.

TENTATIVE MEETING DATES for 2017

September 26, 2017
November 21, 2017

ADJOURN: 2:05 p.m. (no motion required)

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessary shown in the chronological order they occurred.

Date Approved Michael Black
Chairperson, Massage Therapy Board

Date Approved Allyson Pettley
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing