

MINUTES

UTAH
BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
Meeting

May 21st, 2013
Room 464 – Fourth Floor – 9:00 a.m.
Heber M. Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED 9: 05 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 11:28 a.m.

Bureau Manager:

Sally A. Stewart

Board Secretary:

Sally Canavan

Board Members Present:

Sharon Muir, Chairperson
Carolyn M. Redington
Hal Morrell
Micheal Black
Craig Sauer

Board Members Excused:

None- absent

Guests:

Roger Olbrot, American Massage Therapy Association (AMTA)
Kirk Jorgensen, AMTA Utah Chapter
John Tull, for Mary Beth Lindsey
Ron Findlay, Licensed L.M.T
Julie Welch, for Heather Welch
Isaac Maughan, for Heather Welch

DOPL Staff Present:

Debra Troxel, Compliance Specialist

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:
MINUTES:

The minutes from the March 19th, 2013 meeting were reviewed. Ms. Redington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Morrell, to approve the minutes with changes. The motion passed unanimously.

PROBATION INTERVIEWS:

Aaron Thomas Keefe

The Board was informed he came to the office on May 13th, 2013 and signed a Voluntary Surrender Stipulation and Order for his license.

Mary Beth Lindsey

Ms. Redington interviewed Ms. Lindsey. The Board noted she had a positive test through Affinity. She stated she has an anxiety disorder and was back on her medication. The Board noted she is moving out of state. She sent a request for her probationary status to be placed on hold. The Division recommended that she

surrender the license with agreement not to re-apply for license in Utah for three years. The Board discussed her license options with her. The Board stated she is not moving forward on the road to completing her probation agreement. She has been repeatedly non-compliant. If she reapplies following surrender, it would be as a brand new license. Ms. Redington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Morrell, to mail her a voluntary surrender stipulation and not re-apply for three years. The voting was unanimous. The Board stated compliance means compliance. **Non-compliant**

Alice Ray

Mr. Sauer has recused himself. Mr. Morrell stated she is doing well. She is verbally requesting an early termination of her probation. She stated she is just not the type to sit down and type it out. The Board asked her what she had learned. She stated she got clear on what her priorities were. It has been a very very hard journey and it has been very stressful. She decided it was important because it is the way she makes her living. She stated doing massage therapy is her driving force to stay compliant. It is important to her to give the love, by helping some one feel better. She stated she two weeks ago got an apartment and some employment in that area. The Board discussed the July meeting would be her last meeting and noted when she decided to be compliant she made it a point and was compliant. Mr. Morrell made a motion seconded by Ms. Redington to amend her order to release her from probation as of the day the Director signed her amended order. The voting was unanimous. She was requesting apprentice information. The rule R156-47b-103 (12) states you must be active and in good standing for five years, from probation before you may be a supervisor for an apprentice. **Compliant**

Scott Morrison

Mr. Sauer interviewed Mr. Morrison. He stated he is doing well, anxiously waiting for Spring. He stated his practice is going well. He has moved more towards a medical massage and healing imagery. He stated he has taken additional advanced medical classes from LMT Success Group in Nevada. He stated currently has approximately 20 female clients and his supervisor Kathryn is working out well. The employer report noted Mr. Morrison clients really like his company. The Board requested to see him at the September Board Meeting. **Compliant**

Mr. Black interviewed Ms. Olsen. She stated her family is possibly moving to Texas. Her family wants to make sure it is a nice area first. She stated she has a lung infection she thinks she contracted it from an AA meeting. She finds it helpful and healing to share her experiences with the AA group. Her employer report was favorable. She stated she will discuss with Ms. Troxel about moving while on probation. **Compliant**

Heather Welch

Mr. Morrell interviewed Ms. Welch. She stated she is working in the field. The Board noted she has been coming to the Board meetings for two months. The Board noted last months she was non compliant but is doing well now. The Board stated she needs to keep doing what she is doing and her probation will be for four years. Her probation is for four years. The Board noted she needs to think about what she would like to discuss if anything for the next probation meeting. She stated she is taking the bus to get to work or any where. The Board requested to see her at the July Board meeting. **Compliant**

NEW STIPULATIONS:

Jennifer Richins

This is her initial interview with the Board. She stated her life has been crazy busy. She presented a certificate of completing Drug Court. She stated she has her drivers license, is working in the field and has a supervisor at her work. The Board noted it has a responsibility to protect the public. The cautioned make sure you stay compliant with your MOU. The Board stated the only way they are able to measure how she is doing is to see if she is calling in for test and following all requirements. She stated life is better now that she and her husband don't live together. She stated she is going to counseling with her and her children. The Board stated if she follows what she is supposed to do she will breeze right through her probation. The Board requested to see her at the July meeting if there is one but for sure at the September Board meeting. **Compliant**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Possible Meeting Cancellation

The Board discussed holding Board meetings during DOPLs construction period. They discussed the possibility that an electronic meeting could be held if it was later deemed necessary. The Board noted there are comparatively, not too many probationers. They determined the probationers should be okay if the July

meeting was cancelled. The Board suggested to tentatively cancel the July 2013 unless something pressing comes up we can call a meeting. The Board stated for the record, they thought the Massage Therapy renewal went very well.

Michael Bridan, Scope of practice

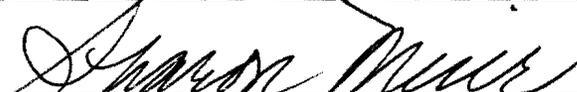
The Board noted everyone has had a chance to read Mr. Bridan's letter. The Board discussed what parts of the body are soft tissue. The amount of pressure used in massage is only 5 grams. The Board noted additional training is required, not just recommended. It would be unprofessional conduct to do those techniques without additional training. The Board has a concern with someone practicing without appropriate training. The Board determined what Mr. Bridan plans to do would be Massage Therapy. The Board needs to know what technique he would use and who taught the technique to him. Mr. Micheal Black stated he would contact Mr. Bridan have a discussion and send an email to the Board. The Board would then be able to make an informed decision.

ADJOURN: 11:28 a.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 necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

9-17-13
Date Approved


Chairperson
Board of Massage Therapy

09/17/2013
Date Approved


Bureau Manager
Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing