



# Arkansas

STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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## **Board Meeting Minutes**

**September 19, 2011**

**10:00 a.m.**

101 East Capitol Ave.  
Conference Room C  
Little Rock, AR

## **Members of the Board**

Naomi Hall, President  
Lisa Douglas, Vice President- *ABSENT*  
Audra Findley, Secretary

Gregg Benfiel, Member  
Susie Williams, Member  
Faye Weeks, Member

## **Board Staff**

Marilyn L. Graham, Executive Director  
Amy Wirges, Administrative Specialist III  
Russell Jackson, Investigator

## **Attorney General Representative**

Amanda Gibson, Board Attorney

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A. Meeting Called to Order by Naomi Hall at 10:15.

Brief discussion of June 6<sup>th</sup> 2011 Board Minutes. CE courses taught in Arkansas, must have an Arkansas Massage Therapy Board course approval code and must be taught for the amount of hours submitted on their CE application. Board also discusses CE courses being taught online and in the class room. The same course may be taught but needs a separate course approval code so that the office staff knows which course was taken online and which was taken in the classroom. Both were approved.

## **B. OLD BUSINESS**

Naomi discusses old board issues and the want for the ASBMT to move forward.

American University of Healing Arts was discussed. A letter from the previous owner of the school was read aloud.

Faye Weeks motions to approve past and future reimbursements of \$60.00 a day stipends for Board meetings. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gregg Benefiel None Oppose

## **C. SCHOOL COMPLAINT**

Fort Smith School of Massage

Faye Weeks makes a motion to open investigation on the school.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Gregg None Oppose.motion

Investigator Russell Jackson will go to the Fort Smith School of Massage on Tuesday September 20, 2011

#### D. COMPLAINTS

Heather Johnson- Hearing set Oct. 24, 2011. A notice will be sent to her.

Motion made by Faye Weeks 2<sup>nd</sup>: Audra Findley None Oppose

Alexander Parker –Board discusses him surrendering his license. If he decides to surrender his license, the Board will accept without further hearing.

Motion made by Gregg Benefiel 2<sup>nd</sup>: Audra Findley None Oppose

Gregg Benefiel makes a motion to break for lunch 2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks  
None Oppose

Meeting called back to order at 1:05 pm

#### E. Satellite School Application

Massage Works Clinic and School – Harrison

Audra Findley makes a motion to approve application

2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks None Oppose

#### F. Equine Massage, Arkansas Veterinary Medical Association

Brief discussion on if the ASBMT will regulate equine massage.

Faye Weeks motion to table the discussion 2<sup>nd</sup>: Susie Williams None Oppose

#### G. CEU Applications

Alford, Randall

KT3 – Clinical Concepts & Advanced Taping Methods (8 hours)

Susie Williams motions to deny application due to needing further documentation.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Gregg Benfiel None Opposed

Cornelison, Vance

Introduction to Kinesio Taping (2 hours)

Susie Williams motions to deny application due to needing further documentation.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Gregg Benefiel None Opposed

Muscular Anatomy & Physiology (4 hours) APPROVED

Audra Findley motions to approve. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks None Opposed

Knight, Lolita

Fijian Massage (16 hours) APPROVED

Susie Williams motions to approve. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks None Opposed

Indian Head Massage (8 hours)

Faye Weeks motions to approve course if we receive the proper documentation of hours.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Susie Williams None Opposed

Messling, Brenda

Honoring the Breath (12 hours) APPROVED

Gregg Benefiel motions to approve 2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks

Taken off the table. FURTHER DISCUSSION

Gregg Benefiel motions to approve 2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks      None Opposed

Morter III, M.T.

Bio Energetic Synchronization Technique (24 hours) APPROVED

Faye Weeks motions to approve      2<sup>nd</sup>: Gregg Benefiel      None Opposed

Perez, Helen

Incorporating Tens Unit with Massage Techniques for Pain (6 hours)

Gregg Benefiel motion to deny course due to lack of hours in a related field

2<sup>nd</sup>: Audra Findley      None Opposed

Pfannerstil, Peter

AMTA Fascial Therapy Continuing Education: Part II (8 hours) APPROVED

Audra Findley makes a motion to approve      2<sup>nd</sup>: Gregg Benefiel      None

Opposed

H. Vote on ASBMT representative to attend Federation annual meeting

Audra Findley motions to send Gregg Benefiel to the 2011 Federation annual meeting

2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks      None Opposed

Brief discussion of a new copier lease that will have less expensive rates.

Motion made by Gregg Benefiel to accept the new contract

2<sup>nd</sup>: Audra Findley      None Opposed

I. Adjournment

Motion made by Gregg Benefiel

2<sup>nd</sup>: Faye Weeks      None Opposed