

**THE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**  
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division  
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs  
State of Hawaii

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").

- Date: Wednesday, August 6, 2014
- Time: 9:00 a.m.
- Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, First Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
- Present: Olivia Nagashima, Massage Therapist, Chair  
George Davis, Jr., Massage Therapist, Vice Chair  
Stephanie Bath, Massage Therapist  
Rodney J. Tam, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")  
Carlos Keen, Executive Officer ("EO")  
Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer  
Jennifer Fong, Secretary
- Guests: Arlene Estrella, American Massage Therapy Association ("AMTA") Hawaii  
Anne Fritz, AMTA Hawaii  
Walter Aipa, AMTA Hawaii  
May Ferrer  
Carol Kramer
- Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").
1. Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
  2. Additions/  
Additional  
Distribution  
to Agenda: None.
  3. Approval of Minutes  
of the June 4, 2014  
Meeting: Upon a motion by Ms. Bath, seconded by the Vice Chair, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2014 meeting as circulated.

4. Chair's Report: The Chair welcomed EO Keen who is the Board's new Executive Officer as of August 4, 2014.

The Chair noted that all Hawaii massage therapy licenses were required to be renewed by June 30, 2014. She reported that as of July 22, 2014, there are 7,295 active MATs and 968 inactive MATs.

The Chair reminded the board members that they should review their board packet materials prior to the meeting and be prepared for discussion at the meeting. She said if there are any questions or concerns regarding the materials, the EO should be contacted before the meeting. She also reminded the board members that if they have any questions or concerns during the meeting discussions, they should speak up at the meeting.

Ms. Bath questioned why the Board does not meet more frequently.

The Chair stated that the Board generally only meets four or five times a year based on the examination schedule.

EO Teshima explained that the Board used to meet more frequently, however, it was determined that there was no need to do so as there were no issues to be discussed. She noted that additional meetings can be added if the Board determines that they need to meet more frequently.

5. Vice Chair's Report: The Vice Chair stated that he had no issues to report.

6. Executive Officer's Officer's Report: a. **Correspondence**

- 1) Age Limit for Massage Clients? Children?

The Board reviewed an inquiry that states "I have a question regarding the age requirement for a client requesting a massage at a spa. What is the law for children to get massage at a spa?"

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform the requestor that HRS Chapter 452 does not address an age requirement.

- 2) Reiki, Healing Touch – Massage Therapy if Not Touching?

The Board reviewed an inquiry that states "I would like to open an energy healing (reiki, healing touch) business and wanted to find out exactly the regulations are/what licenses I need. I'm not sure if gentle laying on of the

hands falls under "massage therapy." A client would be fully clothed laying on a massage table and they have a choice of laying on of hands or no touch at all. The service could also incorporate gently stretches or assisting the client with stretches."

The Chair noted that generally, reiki and healing touch do not involve massage, however recently she has seen some practitioners that say they do "reiki" and "healing touch" but are actually using massage techniques.

Ms. Bath said she feels that people using pure healing touch or reiki should not be penalized for others who stretch the boundaries of those modalities.

The Vice Chair read the definition of "massage" from HRS Chapter 452. He noted that stretching is not addressed in the definition.

The DAG said there seem to be three different types of techniques in question: 1) traditional "reiki" and "healing touch" which involve either no touching or solely laying the hands on the client; 2) massage as defined in HRS Chapter 452 and 3) stretching.

Mr. Aipa stated that if the board considers stretching to be under the definition of massage, then professions such as ballet instructors would have to obtain a massage therapist license.

EO Teshima stated that if stretching is allowed under the particular profession's scope of practice, it would not require a massage therapist license.

By consensus, the Board unanimously carried to defer this discussion. The Board directed the EO to ask the requestor to provide their definition of the terms "reiki", "healing touch" and "gently stretches"/"stretches" as well as more information and clarification on the specific treatments they want to provide in order to better answer her inquiry.

### 3) Waiver of Sink Requirement in the Massage Room

The Board reviewed a request for a waiver of the law requiring a hand-washing sink in the treatment room of massage therapists. The request states in part "This law prevents a severe obstacle to many massage therapists, unfairly limiting where we may work, in otherwise suitable locations."

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that the sanitation requirements for massage establishments are under the purview of the Department of Health Sanitation Branch, not the Board of Massage Therapy. The Board directed EO Keen to inform the requestor that they should contact the Department of Health Sanitation Branch with regards to any waiver of the massage establishment sanitation requirements.

4) Hands On Massage Training – Massage Student

The Board reviewed an inquiry that states "According to Subchapter 6 Apprentices 16-84-23, (3) Hands on supervised massage with record keeping – three hundred ten hours. I'd like more clarity as to what 310 hours refers to. Specifically how many hours of hands on massage is required?"

The Chair noted that the inquiry also states that the requestor is currently attending a Department of Education ("DOE") licensed massage school.

The Vice Chair noted that while hands on supervised massage with record keeping is one of the education requirements, there is no definition of "hands on" in HRS Chapter 452 or Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") Chapter 84.

The Chair noted that in Hawaii, massage schools are licensed by the DOE, and therefore, not under the purview of the Board. The Board only ensures that all applicants for licensure, regardless of where they obtained their education, meet the Board's education and other licensure requirements.

It was the consensus of the Board to direct EO Keen to inform the requestor that there is no definition of "hands on" in HRS Chapter 452 or HAR Chapter 84.

**b. Unfinished Business**

1) Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 84, Hawaii Administrative Rules – Discussion of the Current Draft

The Chair announced that this item would be deferred to the next meeting to allow board members time to review the draft.

EO Teshima stated that in working on the draft, she realized that CPR is an education requirement, however, it is not a licensure requirement.

After some discussion, it was determined that if the Board wants to make CPR a license requirement, they would have to change their statute.

At this time, the Chair announced she was taking the agenda out of order to discuss the following agenda items:

- 7. Applications, b. Applications
- 8. Chapter 91, HRS, Adjudicatory Matters, a. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist's License of Whitesage Morningstar, formerly known as Jennifer Titherington, MAS 2012-21-L, Settlement Agreement After Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order; Exhibit A

7. Applications:           **b. Applications**

Executive Session:           At 10:41 a.m., upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to move into Executive Session in accordance with HRS, 92-5(a)(1) and (4), "To consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both;" and "To consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities".

At 10:49 a.m., upon a motion by Ms. Bath, seconded by the Vice Chair, it was voted on and unanimously carried to move out of executive session.

8. Chapter 91, HRS Adjudicatory Matters:           The Chair called for a recess from the Board's meeting at 10:50 a.m., to discuss and deliberate on the following adjudicatory matters, pursuant to Chapter 91, HRS:

- a. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist's License of **Whitesage Morningstar, formerly known as Jennifer Titherington**; MAS 2012-21-L – Settlement Agreement After Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order; Exhibit "A"

After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Bath, seconded by the Vice Chair, and unanimously carried to approve the Settlement Agreement.

The Board returned to its regular order of business.

7. Applications:           **a. Ratifications**

Upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the attached ratification list.

**b. Applications**

Exam & License – Massage Therapist

**Kelly Bowers – Request for Exam Waiver**

Upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Ms. Bowers' request for exam waiver. The Board directed EO Keen to request that Ms. Bowers provide the exam content of the National Certification Exam she took in July 2000.

**Jessica Estes – Questionable App**

Upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Estes' application for exam & license – massage therapist.

9. Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 29, 2014  
9:00 a.m.  
Queen Liliuokalani Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, First Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

10. Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Jennifer Fong

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Jennifer Fong  
Secretary

Reviewed by:

/s/ Carlos Keen

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Carlos Keen  
Executive Officer

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[  ] Minutes approved as is.

[  ] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of \_\_\_\_\_.

## BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

*RATIFICATION LIST*  
*Wednesday, August 6, 2014*

### MASSAGE THERAPIST

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| MAT 13815 RYUJI OHNUMA               | MAT 13857 CHRISTINE V CHUN       |
| MAT 13816 JEFFREY G CHAU             | MAT 13858 ANTHONY E BERUMEN      |
| MAT 13817 ASSARA RUKSAWONG           | MAT 13859 ELIZABETH A ALSOBROOK  |
| MAT 13818 AZUSA ERI                  | MAT 13860 JUNA ARAIKAWA          |
| MAT 13819 KATRINA A YODER            | MAT 13861 CYNTHIA L ALLEN        |
| MAT 13820 HAZELYN U STAMM            | MAT 13862 JAMES N BUSH           |
| MAT 13821 LESLIE L HAMAOKA           | MAT 13863 JUSTIN G COLE          |
| MAT 13822 PATRICIA ZAJAC             | MAT 13864 CHRISTINA N CLEMENS    |
| MAT 13823 DIANA TO-LOAN VO           | MAT 13865 JADELYN A DOWNER       |
| MAT 13824 ANTHONY C CHERBAS          | MAT 13866 JULIE A FASSBENDER     |
| MAT 13825 ANCELYN R AVILA            | MAT 13867 SARA J HELLAND         |
| MAT 13826 KAREN K COMO               | MAT 13868 ASAMI HASE             |
| MAT 13827 ASAMI NEWMAN               | MAT 13869 CHERIE K IKEDA         |
| MAT 13828 CHUANPHIS PHILLIPS         | MAT 13870 AMANDA S JONES         |
| MAT 13829 ANNA W KEMP                | MAT 13871 KEIKO KUNIKANE         |
| MAT 13830 TAYLOR E SIMNIONIW         | MAT 13872 ARISA KOJIMA           |
| MAT 13831 GINGER R PALADIN           | MAT 13873 IZUMI KAMIZAWA         |
| MAT 13832 CHRISTINE M MORA           | MAT 13874 PETRA KLEINERT         |
| MAT 13833 HILARY A KINGMAN           | MAT 13875 JAYNELLE M KASHIWABARA |
| MAT 13834 FRANCES J SALVATO          | MAT 13876 SHERRALYN J LONGYEAR   |
| MAT 13835 KRISTIN C KLEIN            | MAT 13877 TERESA F LONGBOY       |
| MAT 13836 KELLY J OCHIS              | MAT 13878 LEAH E MADDEN          |
| MAT 13837 CHAMAIPORN SRINAMOM        | MAT 13879 KALICIA L MEYER        |
| MAT 13838 MEGAN L TRIGG              | MAT 13880 NOELLE P MOLLHAGEN     |
| MAT 13839 YUKIE WONG                 | MAT 13881 HOLLINGSWORTH C MORTON |
| MAT 13840 GERALDINE L TREMBLAY       | MAT 13882 PATRICIA MEDINA        |
| MAT 13841 VALERIE J TORO             | MAT 13883 ELENA M POE            |
| MAT 13842 CHALITA SOMDUANGSRI        | MAT 13884 RIANE N N M PELANGKA   |
| MAT 13843 MATTHEW D STEWART          | MAT 13885 JESSE I PAYTON         |
| MAT 13844 ASUKA SAWADA               | MAT 13886 JERILYN L PILLA        |
| MAT 13845 JULISSA M PENA             | MAT 13887 MISAKO ROSE            |
| MAT 13846 YOKO OUCHI                 | MAT 13888 JANALYN G RAMOS        |
| MAT 13847 SABRINA K MURPHY           | MAT 13889 NOUTTHAYA SAOPENG      |
| MAT 13848 PAMMY T J MA               | MAT 13890 YUKO SAN JUAN          |
| MAT 13849 VINCENT B MARTIN           | MAT 13891 RACHEL E STERMER       |
| MAT 13850 HESTIA YI LEE              | MAT 13892 CYNTHIA B R SITORUS    |
| MAT 13851 YUKO LANE                  | MAT 13893 ERIKO TASHIRO          |
| MAT 13852 SHELLEY JO GLASSBURN-MILES | MAT 13894 RACHEL B VANCE         |
| MAT 13853 MIKA N M GORGONIO          | MAT 13895 CHRYSTAL A WRIGHT      |
| MAT 13854 ILILANI L GAMBOA           | MAT 13896 HAILEY A WILES         |
| MAT 13855 RIE GROW                   | MAT 13897 SUNSINEY WICHA         |
| MAT 13856 MINA FERGUSON              | MAT 13898 JOSEPH R I GAMIAO      |

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| MAT 13899 ELISSA M MITCHELL        | MAT 13925 SHADYA M MOHAMED    |
| MAT 13900 COLLEEN P SULLIVAN       | MAT 13926 JUNKO MORI          |
| MAT 13901 KALENA A AKAMINE         | MAT 13927 MIWA S MUROMOTO     |
| MAT 13902 TAYLOR D K ARAGOSA       | MAT 13928 KATHRYN C MIYATAKE  |
| MAT 13903 SARINA J ALLOY           | MAT 13929 ALLEN S NEWMAN      |
| MAT 13904 ATSUKO BEARD             | MAT 13930 KAINA OGAWA         |
| MAT 13905 MALINDA A BRAET          | MAT 13931 HIROMI ONUMA        |
| MAT 13906 KELLY S BRAYLES-PEDERSON | MAT 13932 JORDAN V PETERSON   |
| MAT 13907 SARA M BLOOM             | MAT 13933 JOSEPH S PLEASANT   |
| MAT 13908 DEANN E CORBIN           | MAT 13934 NICOLE R PETERS     |
| MAT 13909 KIMBERLY J CARROLL       | MAT 13935 LINDA ROSENSTIEL    |
| MAT 13910 JENNIFER S DREISCH       | MAT 13936 NATALIA ROGERS      |
| MAT 13911 WANDA P EVANS            | MAT 13937 BRANT M STREMMEL    |
| MAT 13912 EUGENIE G FONBONNE       | MAT 13938 JESSICA M SINGLETON |
| MAT 13913 CASEY A FUKUDA           | MAT 13939 MEGHAN R STRIEGEL   |
| MAT 13914 MICHAELA J HILLIS        | MAT 13940 CHARMAINE SYED      |
| MAT 13915 JAMES A HALL             | MAT 13941 JENNIFER M SCOTT    |
| MAT 13917 MARINA E IGNACIO         | MAT 13942 JAMIE-LEE S SEDENO  |
| MAT 13918 ASUKA KIYOSE             | MAT 13943 KUM JA TU           |
| MAT 13919 SANDRA F KERISIANO       | MAT 13944 BRIANA L VOSS       |
| MAT 13920 SANOE K KUAILANI         | MAT 13945 BENJAMIN L UNCIANO  |
| MAT 13921 KAYLIN K KEALIINOHOMOKU  | MAT 13946 CONRAD J LOMMEN     |
| MAT 13922 CHIALIN LIU              | MAT 13947 CHERYL E LOOMIS     |
| MAT 13923 MIHO G MALAKAUA          | MAT 13948 JANELLE M NOLT      |
| MAT 13924 MARYVIC Z MAGSANOC       | MAT 13949 SILAS M MCCLELLAN   |

MASSAGE THERAPY ESTABLISHMENT

MAE 2963 BODYWISE BODYTOOLS LLC  
MAE 2964 BODYMINDMAUI INC  
MAE 2965 UNITED C HAWAII INC  
MAE 2966 ROBYN M BALDIMOR-BASQUE  
MAE 2967 EXEO USA INC  
MAE 2968 THE ART OF MASSAGE BY BONNIE LLC  
MAE 2969 THAI-ISSAN THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE LLC  
MAE 2970 MARIA F BARTON  
MAE 2971 BOBBI J BEEBE  
MAE 2972 AZMAN LLC  
MAE 2973 LEINAALA J E KEOMALU-CABANAS  
MAE 2974 SHARLEEN K O WAIALEALE  
MAE 2975 SPA MAUI WAILEA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY



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MAE 2976 HIROMI S LANE  
MAE 2977 YURIKO K KING  
MAE 2978 MAUI SUNSEEKER LLC  
MAE 2979 MASSAGE THERAPY FOR YOU LLC  
MAE 2980 ILOMI MASSAGE THERAPY LLC  
MAE 2981 AWAKENING IN PARADISE LLC  
MAE 2982 WAIKIKI MASSAGE AND FOOT SPA LLC  
MAE 2983 ZENSATIONS SPA INC  
MAE 2984 DEEP RELIEF MAUI INC  
MAE 2985 KEY TO LIFE CHIROPRACTIC INC  
MAE 2986 KEY TO LIFE CHIROPRACTIC INC  
MAE 2987 MELANIE L NG  
MAE 2988 DACIA D ROLLINS  
MAE 2989 LAURA E NOBLE  
MAE 2990 BEAUTY SPA MAUI LLC  
MAE 2991 HILO BAY BODYWORK

MASSAGE THERAPY WORKSHOP

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| Amy Doff, MAT 6466<br>Christy Ceraso, MAT 6475<br>Daniel Albers, MAT 3409<br>Michael Ceraso, MAT 7464<br>Kalani Honua Inc., MAE 1816 | September 15, 2014 – November 4, 2014 |
| Rene Haunani Hopkins, MAT 5099<br>R Haunani Hopkins dba Mapuna Wai Ola, MAE 1744   | July 7, 2014 – August 4, 2014         |
| Heather Han, MAT 5283<br>Inner Rhythm Consulting, MAE 2668   | July 6, 2014 – September 15, 2014     |
| Janet Graves, MAT 2376<br>Isabelle Fisher, MAT 4520<br>Rodney Fisher, MAT 4228<br>Golden Lotus Spa LLC, MAE 2659                     | September 8, 2014 – November 30, 2014 |
| Carol Hart, MAT 6285<br>Mark Olson, MAT 5771<br>Candace Agustin, MAT 8149<br>Carol J. Hart dba Aloha Lomi Massage Academy, MAE 2666  | August 1, 2014 – April 17, 2015       |

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Bonnie Lynn Henshaw, MAT 4324  
Bonnie L.H. Henshaw, MAE 2649  
September 2, 2014 – October 28, 2014

Daryl Young, MAT 11332  
Matthew Akama, MAT 11622  
Kauhi Hoopii, MAT 7404  
Bella Torre Academy Inc., MAE 2658  
July 14, 2014 – September 9, 2014

Michelle McKeon, MAT 4642  
The Coconut Girls.com LLC dba Makua Spa Wellness Center, MAE 2288  
August 15, 2014 – October 15, 2014

Michael Aquino, MAT 12210  
808 Massage & Bodywork, MAE 2873  
August 5, 2014 – October 5, 2014

Michell Shue, MAT 6279  
Hawaii Massage Exchange Inc., MAE 2372  
August 4, 2014 – October 23, 2014

Daryl Young, MAT 11332  
Matthew Akama, MAT 11622  
Kauhi Hoopii, MAT 7404  
Bella Torre Academy Inc., MAE 2658  
August 11, 2014 – October 10, 2014

Donna Ota, MAT 9269  
Donna L. Ota dba Caring Hands Massage Therapy, MAE 2824  
September 2, 2014 – November 5, 2014