

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

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

- Date: Wednesday, January 30, 2019
- Time: 9:00 a.m.
- Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, First Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
- Present: George Davis, Jr., Massage Therapist, Chair  
Stephanie Bath, Massage Therapist  
Jodie Hagerman, Public Member  
Olivia Nagashima, Massage Therapist  
Risé Doi, Executive Officer (“EO”)  
Relley Araceley, EO  
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)  
Christopher Leong, DAG  
Jennifer Fong, Secretary
- Excused: Paula Behnken, Public Member, Vice Chair
- Guests: Charles Burrell  
Lei Fukumura, Special Deputy Attorney General, Professional & Vocational  
Licensing Division
- 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, Chair Davis called the meeting to order at  
9:09 a.m.
  2. Additional  
Distribution  
to Agenda: Chair Davis announced that the following was distributed to the Board as  
additional distribution:
    - 6. New Business, a. Orientation for Board and Commission Members – “Board  
or Commission” and “Disciplinary Process for Administrative Boards”  
documents

- 6. New Business, b. Inquiries from Yolanda Asher: 1) Does a certificate in Asian Bodywork Therapy granted by the American Organization for Bodywork Therapies of Asia (“AOBTA”) or the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (“NCCAOM”) fall under an exemption in HRS 452-21?; and 2) Are Asian bodywork therapists required to be licensed as massage therapists to practice Asian bodywork therapy in Hawaii? – NCCAOM Asian Bodywork Therapy Brochure
- 8. Unfinished Business, a. Guidelines for review of curriculum for Department of Education massage school licensure – Revised Application Draft and Revised “Education & Training Hours Coursework” form

3. Approval of Minutes of the November 28, 2018 Meeting:

Chair Davis asked if there were any comments or concerns regarding the Board minutes of the November 28, 2018 meeting.

There were none.

Upon a motion by Ms. Bath, seconded by Ms. Nagashima, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the November 28, 2018 meeting as circulated.

4. Executive Officer’s Report:

None.

At this time, Chair Davis announced he was taking the agenda out of order to discuss the following agenda item:

- 6. New Business, a. Orientation for Board and Commission Members

At 9:12 a.m., Ms. Hagerman arrived.

6. New Business:

a. Orientation for Board and Commission Members

DAG Wong stated that it was requested that she provide information to the Board regarding their duties and functions, the rule amendment process and the permitted interactions of board members, pursuant to HRS, Chapter 92. She noted that documents have been provided to the Board which describe the executive, legislative and judicial functions of the Board, the complaints process, the rule amendment process and information regarding permitted interactions of members with each other as well as with members of the public. She asked if there were any questions or concerns.

Ms. Nagashima asked once a complaint is filed with the Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO"), when does the investigation start? She noted in the past, complaints have been filed but there is no response from RICO to let the complainant know the status of his/her complaint.

DAG Wong said she does not know what RICO's procedures are, however, as far as she is aware, every complaint is investigated. She noted that RICO has jurisdiction over both licensees and unlicensed activity, however, the unlicensed activity would go through the circuit court, not the Board.

Ms. Hagerman noted that the rule amendment process involves other government agencies. She asked if there was a required timeframe for any of the other government agencies to respond to their request.

DAG Wong said no. Generally, the response time is based on the volume of other matters on which the agency is working with. She recommended that the Board get into the agency's queue as soon as possible.

5. Applications: a. Ratifications

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

b. Applications

Executive Session:

At 9:43 a.m., it was moved by Chair Davis, seconded by Ms. Hagerman, 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" for the following agenda item:

- 5. Applications, b. Applications, 1) Charles Burrell

Guests were excused from the meeting room.

At 10:23 a.m., it was moved by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Hagerman, and unanimously carried to move out of Executive Session.

At 10:24 a.m., DAG Wong left the meeting.

1) Charles Burrell

Upon a motion by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to deny Mr. Burrell's Application for Exam & License – Massage Therapist pursuant to HRS 436B-19(1), (2), (7), (8), and (9).

Recess: At 10:24 a.m., Chair Davis called for a recess.

Reconvene: At 10:28 a.m., the Board reconvened their meeting.

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

- 7. Chapter 91, HRS Adjudicatory Matters, a. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist's License of Randall S. Waddell (MAS 2013-33-L) –Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order
- 7. Chapter 91, HRS Adjudicatory Matters, b. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist License of Brian P. McCord (MAS 2018-89-L) –Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order
- 7. Chapter 91, HRS Adjudicatory Matters, c. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist License of Colette Coletta (MAS 2018-74-L) –Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order; Exhibit "A"

7. Chapter 91,  
HRS –  
Adjudicatory  
Matters:

At 10:29 a.m., Chair Davis recessed the Board's meeting 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 Randall S. Waddell (MAS 2013-33-L) –Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Hagerman, and unanimously carried to approve the above-referenced settlement agreement.

- b. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist License of Brian P. McCord (MAS 2018-89-L) –Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Bath, and unanimously carried to approve the above-referenced settlement agreement.

- c. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist License of Colette Coletta (MAS 2018-74-L) –Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board’s Final Order; Exhibit “A”

After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Bath, and unanimously carried to approve the above-referenced settlement agreement.

At 10:41 a.m., the Board moved out of Chapter 91, HRS, and returned to its regular order of business.

Executive Session:

At 10:42 a.m., it was moved by Chair Davis, seconded by Ms. Bath, 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” for the following agenda items:

- 5. Applications, b. Applications, 2) Ashley Guthrie
- 5. Applications, b. Applications, 3) Andrew Hafer
- 5. Applications, b. Applications, 4) Pacific Center for Awareness and Bodywork

Guests were excused from the meeting room.

At 11:05 a.m., it was moved by Ms. Bath, seconded by Ms. Hagerman, and unanimously carried to move out of Executive Session.

2) Ashley Guthrie

Upon a motion by Chair Davis, seconded by Ms. Nagashima, it was voted on and unanimously carried to delegate the authority to the EO to approve Ms. Guthrie’s renewal application pending receipt of additional documentation.

3) Andrew Hafer

Upon a motion by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Chair Davis, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Mr. Hafer’s application for a massage therapist license pending receipt of additional documentation requested by the Board.

4) Pacific Center for Awareness and Bodywork

Chair Davis announced that as Pacific Center for Awareness and Bodywork is requesting a review of their curriculum for Hawaii Department of Education (“DOE”) massage school licensure, this matter would be deferred until after the discussion regarding the guidelines later in the meeting.

6. New Business:

- b. Inquiry from Yolanda Asher: 1) Does a certificate in Asian Bodywork Therapy granted by the American Organization for Bodywork Therapies of Asia (“AOBTA”) or the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (“NCCAOM”) fall under an exemption in HRS 452-21?; and 2) Are Asian bodywork therapists required to be licensed as massage therapists to practice Asian bodywork therapy in Hawaii?

EO Doi noted that Ms. Asher provided the link to the NCCAOM’s Asian Bodywork Therapy (“ABT”) Brochure in her inquiry. A copy of that ABT brochure was provided to the Board as additional distribution.

Ms. Bath noted that the official definition of ABT provided by Ms. Asher states that the treatment is performed “by using pressure and/or manipulation”. She remarked that the Board’s definition of massage is treatment using methods which include pressing.

Chair Davis said one of the ABT modalities is Amma which is defined by NCCAOM as “a specialized form of skilled (somatic) touch therapy that combines deep tissue bodywork with the application of pressure, friction and touch”.

Ms. Nagashima said she feels this inquiry is similar to inquiries made in the past by Reiki practitioners. Those practitioners were informed that if their practice of Reiki includes any manipulation of the superficial soft parts of the body, it would be considered “massage” and would require a massage therapist license to perform.

DAG Leong remarked with regards to Ms. Asher’s comments regarding an exemption pursuant to HRS § 452-21, it would seem absurd that the Board would exempt any massage modality from following their law.

Ms. Hagerman noted that “healing arts” is a broad term which is not defined. She recommended that the statute be amended to include a definition for “healing arts” for clarity purposes.

After some discussion, based on the information provided by Ms. Asher including the NCCAOM ABT Brochure, it was the consensus of the Board to respond to Ms. Asher's questions as follows:

- 1) Does a certificate in Asian Bodywork Therapy granted by the American Organization for Bodywork Therapies of Asia ("AOBTA") or the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine ("NCCAOM") fall under an exemption in HRS 452-21?

*Board's Response:* No.

- 2) Are Asian bodywork therapists required to be licensed as massage therapists to practice Asian bodywork therapy in Hawaii?

*Board's Response:* Yes.

This is an informal interpretation for informational and explanatory purposes only and is not an official opinion or decision, and therefore is not to be viewed as binding on the Board.

c. Legislation

- 1) Discussion on S.B. 202 – Relating to Professional and Vocational Regulatory Programs

*Establishes repeal dates for all professional and vocational regulatory programs under the professional and vocational licensing division of the department of commerce and consumer affairs. Requires the auditor to perform an evaluation of each program prior to repeal.*

DAG Leong gave a brief overview of the bill and noted that this bill affects every one of the Professional and Vocational Licensing ("PVL") division's boards, commissions, and programs. Basically, if the bill passes as written, there is a specific repeal date for all of PVL's programs, including the Board which is to be repealed on June 30, 2020. The auditor is required to do an audit prior to each program's repeal date.

EO Doi stated that the PVL division will be submitting testimony that while they are not opposed to an audit of every program by the auditor, they are opposed to a repeal.

Chair Davis asked who introduced the bill.

EO Doi stated that the bill was introduced by Senator Gilbert Keith-Agaran by request of another party.

Ms. Nagashima questioned who the “party” is.

EO Doi said that information is not provided.

Ms. Bath asked what the reasoning behind the bill is.

EO Doi said she does not know.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that the Board’s position on S.B. 202 is that the Board has no opposition to the auditor to perform an evaluation, it strongly opposes the repeal of HRS, Chapter 452.

## 2) Update on Proposed Sanitation Bill

*Proposed language would amend §452-18 to give the Board the authority to prescribe sanitary rules.*

Ms. Nagashima reported that the bill was not introduced. After receiving notification from EO Doi that the bill had not been introduced yet, she made some calls to follow up and left messages but she never received any response.

Ms. Hagerman asked if the Board could amend their rules to include sanitation requirements since it would not conflict with the Department of Health (“DOH”).

DAG Leong stated that the rules cannot contradict what is in the statute. While HRS § 452-6(a) says that the board shall adopt rules for the purposes of this chapter, HRS § 452-18 states that the DOH shall prescribe such sanitary rules as it deems necessary. The statute does not specifically say that the Board cannot promulgate rules but it is not something that is usually done. He said he would need to do further research into this matter.

By consensus, the Board deferred discussion on this matter.

Recess: At 11:58 a.m., Chair Davis called for a recess.

Reconvene: At 12:04 p.m., the Board reconvened their meeting.



8. Unfinished Business:

a. Guidelines for review of curriculum for Department of Education (“DOE”) massage school licensure

EO Doi reported that a draft application as well as a draft “Education & Training Hours Coursework” form to request curriculum approval has been distributed to the Board.

Ms. Hagerman asked what if the transcripts do not include grades but instead say “pass” or “fail”.

Ms. Nagashima noted that grades are not required in the law, however, the transcript will need to include the hours obtained by the applicant.

Chair Davis stated in cases like that, if the school has given the applicant hours on the transcript, it would mean that the person has passed the course. He has not seen hours given for a course which the applicant failed.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to accept the application and the “Education & Training Hours Coursework” form and to require all schools requesting a letter from the Board regarding their curriculum for their application for DOE licensure as a massage therapy school be required to provide an original complete application signed by an authorized representative of the school including all required supporting documents and fees.

At this time, Chair Davis announced he was taking the agenda out of order to return to the following agenda item:

- 5. Applications, b. Applications, 4) Pacific Center for Awareness and Bodywork

5. Applications:

b. Applications

4) Pacific Center for Awareness and Bodywork

Upon a motion by Ms. Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to direct the EO to approve the curriculum for Pacific Center for Awareness and Bodywork for the September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2021 licensing biennium pending receipt of additional documents including a completed application and “Education & Training Hours Coursework” form.

The Board returned to its regular order of business.

8. Unfinished Business:

a. Discussion on Revisions to HRS, Chapter 452

DAG Leong noted based on previous discussions, the Board needs to work on amendments to HRS § 452-18 and HRS § 452-21.

Chair Davis noted that the Board has a Permitted Interaction Group tasked to work on amendments to HRS Chapter 452, which consists of Ms. Nagashima and Ms. Hagerman. They are already looking into amendments for HRS § 452-18.

By consensus, the Board directed the Permitted Interaction Group to add HRS § 452-21 to the sections they are looking at for proposed amendments.

c. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 84, Hawaii Administrative Rules

The Board discussed the revised draft language of Subchapters 1, 2, and 3 but no substantive changes were made.

The Board will resume discussion of the current draft at their next scheduled meeting.

9. Next Meeting:

Chair Davis requested that the Board hold another meeting prior to the next scheduled meeting date of May 1, 2019 with the primary objective of working on the rule amendments.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that the Board's next meeting will be:

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 (**new date**)  
9:00 a.m.  
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, First Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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10. Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 12:53 p.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Jennifer Fong

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Jennifer Fong  
Secretary

Reviewed by:

/s/ Risé Doi

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Risé Doi  
Executive Officer

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Minutes approved as is.

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

# BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

## RATIFICATION LIST

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

### MASSAGE THERAPIST

MAT 15843 LORENZA A KOPASZ	MAT 15884 ARIEN W REED
MAT 15844 REBECCA E STARON	MAT 15885 BRITNI K STEIN
MAT 15845 KINUYO ROY	MAT 15886 CHRISTOPHER J MAN
MAT 15846 RACHELLE CARON	MAT 15887 CODRUTA V POSTOLACHE
MAT 15847 BRISTOL L DUNLAP	MAT 15888 JANA M DOBKINS
MAT 15848 DANIEL A DANCE	MAT 15889 JO ANN MASON
MAT 15849 MAKOTO H SENO	MAT 15890 DANIELLE T STANZIONE
MAT 15850 LAUREN CERA	MAT 15891 ASHLEY M CLARY
MAT 15851 SHARON M LE	MAT 15892 JESSYCA H DUNAWAY
MAT 15852 KUMI HATANAKA	MAT 15893 KELSEY G TURNER
MAT 15853 JACKQUILAN Y ANDREWS	MAT 15894 TIMOTEO HEW-LEN
MAT 15854 RAQUEL D BARTLOW	MAT 15895 AUSTIN L MYRICK
MAT 15855 SHERI-LYNN K P CABILLON AYALA	MAT 15896 JENNIFER A LOUIE
MAT 15856 TESSIE C NORTHROP	MAT 15897 LEETA J GRAP
MAT 15857 JOSEPH J ETCHEVERRY	MAT 15898 ERIN E VANHEE
MAT 15858 JENNIFER C DOUMEL	MAT 15899 ELIZABETH V MENDEZ
MAT 15859 ERIC M NISHIMURA	MAT 15900 LUKE C TAGARAO
MAT 15860 ASHLEY M BURGOS	MAT 15901 YUKO O BETTENCOURT
MAT 15861 REBEKAH L MORRIS	MAT 15902 MAO CHIPCHASE
MAT 15862 AVA D DAVIS	MAT 15903 JACOB T PARESA
MAT 15863 CLARA L KIRCHHOF	MAT 15904 MADISON L BARTRUM
MAT 15864 TAMIL M LOPEDOTA	MAT 15905 VOTNEY L A ADAMS
MAT 15865 ALYSSA R TAKESHITA	MAT 15906 ANTOINETTE S KEAWE-YGLESIAS
MAT 15866 SUSAN HOO	MAT 15907 CHRISTINE S KAHIKINA
MAT 15867 EARL J T SOLIDUM	MAT 15908 COURTNEY T THOMAS
MAT 15868 PORNSUDA AKARAPREECHA	MAT 15909 ALLISON REINES
MAT 15869 LAURA N KAHILI	MAT 15910 YANIRA M TABACCHI
MAT 15870 INA B LEE	MAT 15911 BIANCA C HANYARD
MAT 15871 RITSUKO K BROSTEK	MAT 15912 GLORIA A RIECHERS
MAT 15872 MINAKO UNNO	MAT 15913 CHELSEA TAYLOR
MAT 15873 SHELBY R STOVER	MAT 15914 KAWAILANI P DECOITE-ALCORAN
MAT 15874 JONATHAN M BASS	MAT 15915 MARY A DUGGAN
MAT 15875 VICTOR KOTILEVSKI	MAT 15916 TOMOKO U KANETA
MAT 15876 ALYSSA C M CAWAGAS	MAT 15917 STEPHANIE L STAGO
MAT 15877 NAON FOONGFUANG	MAT 15918 KELSEY M VOLLER
MAT 15878 LEAH M GORDILLO	MAT 15919 HIROMI N LENAHAN
MAT 15879 LINDA LOYD	MAT 15920 ILLAH A FOLSOM
MAT 15880 HIROKO IMAMURA	MAT 15921 JAMES S WESCOATT
MAT 15881 LAURI O SCOTT	MAT 15922 JACQUELINE M HANCHETT
MAT 15882 RACHEL M KLEIN	MAT 15923 ISAGANI P BANGUI
MAT 15883 CHRISTOPHER C RIDGE	

BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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MASSAGE THERAPY ESTABLISHMENT

MAE 3459	ZHONG WELLNESS LLC	MAE 3471	SPA BREATHE MAUI LLC
MAE 3460	NANCY JO CAMPBELL	MAE 3472	BACK TO BASICS CHIROPRACTIC LLC
MAE 3461	I MASSAGE LLC	MAE 3473	OHANA HALE ACUPUNCTURE INC
MAE 3462	OLA CLINICAL SKIN CARE & MASSAGE THERAPY LLC	MAE 3474	YOUR THAI MASSAGE INC
MAE 3463	AMY D DOFF	MAE 3475	NIHON PRIME HAWAII LLC
MAE 3464	POJJANEE THAI MASSAGE 956 INC	MAE 3476	MYOPRO INSTITUTE
MAE 3465	NANI L DICKENS	MAE 3477	CCFH MAUI LLC
MAE 3466	DRAKE HIROSHI TANABE	MAE 3478	WASSANA R MEJIA
MAE 3467	REMEDY STUDIO LLC	MAE 3479	SOF-XI KAUAI PV HOTEL LP
MAE 3468	DYNASTY FOOT MASSAGE LLC	MAE 3480	FREEDOM SPAS LLC
MAE 3469	ERICA M L BASILIO	MAE 3481	MANA MALUHIA LLC
MAE 3470	A CENTURY NAIL SPA LLC	MAE 3482	FREEDOM SPAS LLC

MASSAGE THERAPY WORKSHOP

***Hokulani Massage LLC, MAE 3209***

Instructors: Bonnie Henshaw, MAT 4324  
Kynaston Lindsey, MAT 13154  
Initial Course: February 19, 2019 – April 27, 2019  
65-1188 Mamalahoa Highway #5  
Kamuela, Hawaii 96743  
Phone: (808) 640-8919

***Supergreen 528 HZ Inc., MAE 3359***

Instructor: Susan Wilesmith, MAT 9933  
Initial Course: June 11, 2019 – July 24, 2019  
42 Baldwin Avenue  
Paia, Hawaii 96779  
Phone: (808) 634-0346

***Danielle B. Ho Massage LLC, MAE 3307***

Instructor: Danielle Ho, MAT 5467  
Initial Course: February 9, 2019 – April 10, 2019  
76-6225 Kuakini Highway, Suite C104  
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740  
Phone: (808) 936-5513

***Restorative Massage Clinic LLC, MAE 3416***

Instructor: Christopher Musslewhite, MAT 13028  
Initial Course: February 23, 2019 – April 27, 2019  
750 Kanoelehua Street, Suite 3C  
Hilo, Hawaii 96720  
Phone: (808) 315-7488