

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

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

- Date: January 27, 2021
- Time: 9:30 a.m.
- Place: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar
- Present: Olivia Nagashima, Massage Therapist, Chairperson  
Jodie Hagerman, Public Member, Vice Chairperson  
Stephanie Bath, Massage Therapist  
Risé Doi, Executive Officer (“EO”)  
Christopher Leong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)  
Kellie Teraoka, Secretary  
Kawehi Mau, Secretary  
Erin Emerson, Secretary (technical support)  
Christopher Fernandez, Executive Officer (technical support)
- Guests: Lei Fukumura, Special Deputy Attorney General  
Jessica Luna  
Laura Embleton  
Christopher Sold
- 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”).
- A brief video regarding the virtual board meeting, including meeting procedures and helpful information regarding how members of the public can participate using Zoom, was played.
1. Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum: There being quorum present, Chair Nagashima called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. She conducted a roll call of Board members and staff, all were present.
- Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to add to the agenda under New Business - 2021 Legislative delegation.
2. Approval of Minutes of the Chair Nagashima asked if there were any comments or concerns regarding the minutes of the December 17, 2020 meeting.

December 17,  
2020 Meeting:

Vice Chair Hagerman requested the following correction to the minutes (bracketed material to be deleted, underlined material to be added):

Page 9, paragraph 2, should read, "The Board agreed to leave the section as is."

With there being no further discussion or amendments to the minutes, upon a motion by Ms. Bath, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the open session minutes of the December 17, 2020 meeting as amended.

At 9:45 a.m., Chair Nagashima recessed the Board's meeting to discuss and deliberate on the following adjudicatory matters, pursuant to Chapter 91, HRS.

3. Chapter 91,  
Hawaii Revised  
Statutes ("HRS")  
Adjudicatory  
Matters:

a. In the Matter of the License to Practice Massage Therapy of Anthony J. Wright (MAS-2019-109-L) – Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

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

b. In the Matter of the License to Practice Massage Therapy of Kenneth B. Bevis (MAS 2019-38-L; MAS-2019-69-L) - Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

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

At 10:14 a.m., the Board moved out of Chapter 91, HRS, and returned to its regular order of business.

4. Applications:

Chair Nagashima asked if any members of the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item. There were none.

Executive  
Session:

At 10:15 a.m., upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to

move into Executive Session in accordance with HRS § 92-5(a)(1), "To consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both".

At 11:01 a.m. the Board moved back into open session.

Chair Nagashima conducted a roll call and all members were present.

Christopher Sold introduced himself and asked about cupping. Chair Nagashima informed him that the Board will discuss this item later in the meeting and would call on him when ready for his testimony.

Chair Nagashima moved back to agenda item 2, Approval of the executive session minutes of December 17, 2020 meeting.

2. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of the December 17, 2020 Meeting: Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the Executive Session minutes of the December 17, 2020 meeting as amended.

Chair Nagashima returned to agenda item 4, Applications.

4. Applications: a. Ratifications

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

b. Applications

1) Tomi Knutson

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Ms. Knutson's application to sit for the Hawaii Massage Therapy Examination, pending additional documentation of 139 hours of practical training.

2) Caitlin Cavanaugh

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms.

Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Cavanaugh's application to sit for the Hawaii Massage Therapy Examination.

3) Billie Snell

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Ms. Snell's application to sit for the Hawaii Massage Therapy Examination, pending additional documentation of 34 hours of theory and demonstration and 98 hours of practical training.

4) Camari Frame

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Ms. Frame's application to sit for the Hawaii Massage Therapy Examination, pending additional clarification of 123 lecture hours that were submitted.

5) Satoko Sekiguchi

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Ms. Sekiguchi's application to sit for the Hawaii Massage Therapy Examination, pending additional information. The applicant will need to complete the hours requested by the Board and request an extension of the apprenticeship permit.

6) Lisa Faith

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Bath, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Ms. Faith's application to sit for the Hawaii Massage Therapy Examination, pending additional documentation of 105 hours of practical training.

7) Karl Reid-Kramer

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Mr. Reid-Kramer's application to sit for

the Hawaii Massage Therapy Examination, pending additional documentation of 15 hours in anatomy, physiology, and structural kinesiology; 10 hours of theory and demonstration; and 45 hours of practical training.

5. New Business: Legislative delegation for 2021

EO Doi explained that she would like the Board to select one or two Board members to consult in case the Board needs to provide testimony for legislative bills that are scheduled for hearing. Upon a motion by Ms. Bath and seconded by Vice Chair Hagerman, it was voted on and unanimously carried to have Chair Nagashima as the Board's legislative delegate to assist EO Doi.

Chair Nagashima moved the agenda out of order to item 5b.

5b. Email inquiry from Chris Sold: Cupping inquiries

Mr. Christopher Sold, owner of Hawaii Spa LLC, introduced himself. Mr. Sold wanted to know what state certification is required, if any, to offer cupping services. He described cupping as plastic cups placed on body to relax muscles with no heat or massage involved.

Chair Nagashima asked if Mr. Sold was familiar with the cupping modality.

Mr. Sold stated he would need to take a certification course. Chair Nagashima stated cupping is performed by massage therapists, however, is classified as an acupuncture practice.

Chair Nagashima explained in recent years, some cupping equipment has been approved for massage treatment and performed by licensed massage therapists who were certified in the modality.

Mr. Sold asked whether only a massage therapist license would be needed.

Chair Nagashima concurred and stated as long as there is no breaking of skin, which would then require an acupuncture license.

Ms. Bath clarified he would need to obtain a massage therapist license and show proof of certification in the modality.

Chair Nagashima referenced HRS §452-24 and explained that a massage therapist can be sanctioned for performing a modality in which they do not have the proper training.

Chair moved back to agenda item 5a.

5a. Email inquiry from Natallia Sialishchava: Is a massage therapist license required to perform Access Bars?

Chair Nagashima stated that she asked other massage therapists across the United States about Access Bars. She noted that Access Bars is similar to craniosacral therapy. Chair Nagashima provided a description of how Access Bars is performed. She explained that the craniosacral definition as “gentle touching of various parts of the head and body to monitor fluid flowing around central nervous system.”

Chair Nagashima explained that Access Bars touches upon 32 points in the head to relieve negative thought processes. The person who coined Access Bars is not a massage therapist and has a background in social services and psychology.

Chair Nagashima reviewed the definition of massage therapy in HRS §452-1 and concluded that based on the definition, a massage license should be obtained for those wishing to perform Access Bars treatments.

Chair Nagashima asked for comments from the Board members.

Ms. Bath noted the method is similar to jin shin jyutsu for which the Board requires a massage license.

Vice Chair Hagerman stated Access Bars is an energy healing process and energy healing courses are not accepted by the Board.

With no further discussion, upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Bath and it was unanimously voted and carried for EO Doi to respond to Ms. Sialishchava that a massage therapist license is required to perform Access Bars in Hawaii.

6. Unfinished Business:

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

Upon a motion by Ms. Bath, seconded by Chair Nagashima, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer this agenda item until the March 11, 2021 meeting.

Chair Nagashima noted that the next meeting is March 11, 2021 and not May 5, 2021 as stated on the agenda.

7. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 11, 2021  
9:30 a.m.  
Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar
8. Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Reviewed by:

/s/ Risé Doi

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Risé Doi  
Executive Officer

Taken by:

/s/ Kawehi Mau

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Kawehi Mau  
Secretary

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[  ] Minutes approved as is.

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

**BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**

*ADDENDUM TO AGENDA*

*Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

MASSAGE THERAPIST

MAT	16520	PUNAOLEVAI E AUTELE	MAT	16552	MOLLY RANELLE SCHWEINHART
MAT	16521	THERESA M KAYE			
MAT	16522	TEY KROEM SAMANTHA M			
MAT	16523	NAKAMOTO			
MAT	16524	REIKO NAKANISHI			
MAT	16525	ADRIAN P TEANGLUM			
MAT	16526	JAMIE M CARMODY			
MAT	16527	PANPAN WANG			
MAT	16528	CHIEMI K TRIAS			
MAT	16529	SANDRA M SMITH			
MAT	16530	NARCHUDA KUDAN			
MAT	16531	KIRK B KEELING			
MAT	16532	EMILY AIYANA AXTELL			
MAT	16533	ELIZABETH A MAGER			
MAT	16534	SERENA REBERS			
MAT	16535	NATHANIEL L LAIL			
MAT	16536	NANCY G REZMER			
MAT	16537	MARA KHAN			
MAT	16538	HANNAH K MURPHY			
MAT	16539	JAMES M MORGAN			
MAT	16540	MAMI M DARR			
MAT	16541	MISA OKADA			
MAT	16542	ILONA MACKNIGHT			
MAT	16543	SARA E ZANDER			
MAT	16544	KAORI T CHING			
MAT	16545	LIA C GAVILANES			
MAT	16546	JENNIFER M BULL			
MAT	16547	LAKIM WASHINGTON			
MAT	16548	REBEKAH E WOLFE			
MAT	16549	SUNISA TONPUDSA			
MAT	16550	SAMANTHA L HULEN			
MAT	16551	JAVIER A CAL			



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		LINDON MASSAGE LIMITED LIABILITY
MAE	3633	COMPANY
MAE	3634	EMILY YORK LLC
MAE	3635	NORTH SHORE INTEGRATED MASSAGE LLC
MAE	3636	KHUN SA THAI MASSAGE LLC
MAE	3637	KAPOLEI MASSAGE INSTITUTE LLC
MAE	3638	CHIHARU TSUKIDATE ASHIATSU MAUI MASSAGE AND WELLNESS
MAE	3639	LLC
MAE	3640	AHH MASSAGE KAA NAPALI LLC
MAE	3641	HONOLULU SPA & WELLNESS LLC
MAE	3642	HALE OLA HEALTH AND WELLNESS LLC
MAE	3643	RYAN M K SMITH
MAE	3644	KEENAN LIMITED
MAE	3645	CARYN S MORITA

MASSAGE THERAPY WORKSHOP

<p><b><i>Ekela's Healing Spa, MAE 1829</i></b> Instructor: Ekela Kaanapu, MAT 6831 Initial Course: January 11, 2021 – March 12, 2021 21 Waianuenue Ave. Suite #10 Hilo, HI 96720 Phone: (808) 990-3390</p>	<p><b><i>Janet Deal dba Deal Massage, MAE 2919</i></b> Instructor: Janet Deal, MAT 10691 Initial Course: January 21, 2021 – March 18, 2021 714 Kanoelehua Ave. Suite #101 Hilo, HI 96720 Phone: (808) 430-1647</p>
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