

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: April 19, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, HI 96813

Virtual: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar

Members Present: Olivia Nagashima, Massage Therapist, Chair
Amy Erece, Massage Therapist, Vice-Chair
Darci Frankel, Massage Therapist
Jayce Arakaki, Public Member

Excused: None.

Staff Present: Risé Doi, Executive Officer (“EO”)
Christopher Leong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Kawehi Mau, Secretary

Guests: Gwen – AMHA HI Delegate
Migdalia Perez

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was posted on the State electronic calendar as required by HRS section 92-7(b).

A short video regarding virtual meetings was played to explain procedures for the virtual meeting and how members of the public can participate and interact with the Board during the meeting.

Call to Order: In accordance with Act 220, SLH 2021, all Board members attending virtually confirmed that they were alone in their nonpublic location. After taking roll, a quorum was established, and Chair Nagashima called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of the March 22, 2023 Meeting: Chair Nagashima asked if any members of the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item. There were none.

Chair Nagashima, noted under Maui Academy of Healing Arts, it should

read, "Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair [Hagerman] Erece..."

Upon a motion by Vice-Chair Erece, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the open session minutes of the March 22, 2023 meeting as amended.

Recess: The Board went into recess at 9:15 a.m.

The Board moved out of recess at 9:38 a.m.

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

- a. In the Matter of the License to Practice Massage Therapy and Establishment's License of Nanthicha Chalongsang (MAS-2016-74-L) Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

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

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the above-referenced settlement agreement.

- b. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist's License of Joel Montoya aka Joel Morquecho (MAS-2017-67-L) – Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the above-referenced settlement agreement.

Applications: Chair Nagashima asked if anyone from the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item.

Ratification List (see attached list):

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the attached list of individuals for licensure.

Executive
Session:

It was moved by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, and unanimously carried to enter executive session at 9:48 a.m., in accordance with HRS §92-5(a)(1), to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional licenses cited in HRS §26-9 and, pursuant to HRS §92-5(a)(4), to consult with the Board's

attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities.

At 10:32 a.m., it was moved by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece and unanimously carried to move out of executive session.

Applications:

1) Joey Nakashima

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Mr. Nakashima's application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam.

2) Aloha Academy of Massage Inc. dba Hawaii Massage Academy

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the application of Aloha Academy of Massage Inc. dba Hawaii Massage Academy, requesting a copy of the school catalog.

3) Aisen Shiatsu School

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried that based on the review of Aisen Shiatsu School and supporting documents, the school's curriculum meets the Board's minimum education and training hours required for an applicant to obtain a license in massage therapy. The Board directed the EO to issue an approval letter valid through the Department of Education ("DOE") licensure period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

4) Institute of Clinical Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried that based on the review of Institute of Clinical Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine and supporting documents, the school's curriculum meets the Board's minimum education and training hours required for an applicant to obtain a license in massage therapy. The Board directed the EO to issue an approval letter valid through the Department of Education ("DOE") licensure period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

5) IBS School of Cosmetology and Massage

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried that based on the review of IBS School of Cosmetology and Massage and supporting documents, the school's curriculum meets the Board's minimum education and training hours required for an applicant to obtain a license in massage therapy. The Board directed the EO to issue an approval letter valid through the Department of Education ("DOE") licensure period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

6) Lomino Hawaii Massage School

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, it was voted on and unanimously carried that based on the review of Lomino Hawaii Massage School and supporting documents, the school's curriculum meets the Board's minimum education and training hours required for an applicant to obtain a license in massage therapy. The Board directed the EO to issue an approval letter valid through the Department of Education ("DOE") licensure period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

Chair Nagashima noted that beginning of the next DOE curriculum renewal, massage schools requesting the Board's curriculum approval letter will need to submit the school's attendance policy as one of the required documents for review.

Executive Officer's Report:

- a. Board vacancies: One (1) massage therapist to fill vacancy beginning July 1, 2023, and one (1) public member.

EO Doi mentioned Vice-Chair Erece last day serving the Board is June 30, 2023. There will be vacancies for one public member and one massage therapist on the Board of Massage Therapy.

New Business:

- a. Discussion on teaching courses at a massage school and continuing education (CE)

EO Doi stated the Board received an email inquiry from Alayna Newton, a licensed physical therapist, asking if she may instruct hands-on kinesiology classes at a massage school. Dr. Newton's email stated that she has a doctorate in physical therapy and has continued education certifications in kinesiology and supporting degrees and experience.

EO Doi asked the Board if one may teach a hands-on kinesiology course at a massage school without a massage therapy license.

Vice-Chair Erece, stated 452-21 **To whom provisions in this chapter shall not apply.** Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit service in case of emergency, or domestic administration, without compensation, nor services by persons holding any valid license, permit, or certificate dealing with the healing arts, nor services by barbers, hairdressers, cosmeticians, and cosmetologists lawfully carrying on their particular profession or business under any existing law of this State.

Vice-Chair Erece concluded that the law allows Dr. Newton to teach the hands-on kinesiology courses in a school setting.

Chair Nagashima clarified that the Board would need to review these kinds of inquiries on a case-by-case basis.

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Vice-Chair Erece, and unanimously carried to direct EO Doi to respond to Dr. Newton's email stating Ms. Newton is allowed to teach hands-on kinesiology courses at the massage school with her physical therapy credentials.

Unfinished
Business:

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

The Board discussed potential language in the rules for continuing education providers.

Vice-Chair Erece stated per the continuing education guidance document posted on the Board's website, "Providers of the CE courses shall be approved by the board and may include, but are not limited to, massage schools approved by a state board of massage, nationally accredited massage certifying organizations, and local or national professional associations."

Vice-Chair Erece concluded that AMTA courses are approved, as well as DOE providers.

Vice-Chair Erece stated that CE curriculum is different from a Board approved workshop.

The Board suggested that those approved to hold a workshop should also be approved to provide CE courses.

The Board agreed to add the discussion of a Workshop and CE application to the next meeting agenda and to draft clarifying language in the rules for CE

providers.

b. Discussion on interstate massage compact

Chair Nagashima stated there is no update on the compact.

Next Meeting: June 14, 2023
9:30 a.m.
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
(Videoconference Meeting Zoom Webinar – TBD)

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Nagashima adjourned the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

Taken by:

Reviewed by:

/s/ Kawehi Mau

/s/ Risé Doi

Kawehi Mau
Secretary

Risé Doi
Executive Officer

06/27/2023

[] Minutes approved as is.

[X] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of 6/27/23

BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
ADDENDUM TO AGENDA
April 19, 2023

MASSAGE THERAPIST

MAT-17448	Jeannette Marie Sweeney
MAT-17449	Rebecca Allison Lovey
MAT-17450	Kimberly Keikinalani Desamito
MAT-17452	Sophia Christine Oberlander
MAT-17453	Kimberly Ellen Sanchez
MAT-17454	Sharon Tracy Hunter
MAT-17455	Kathleen Ann McNulty
MAT-17456	Eddie Wong
MAT-17457	Ping Z Shao
MAT-17458	Michele Nanfito
MAT-17459	Lucas Dias Da Silva
MAT-17460	Laura Elisa Olvera Espinoza
MAT-17461	Stacey Elizabeth Gray
MAT-17462	Jung Hwan Chi
MAT-17463	Shayla K Pangkee
MAT-17464	Cora Fernandez
MAT-17465	Jodi Leilani Sylva

MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT

None

MASSAGE THERAPY WORKSHOP

Waimanalo Health Center, MAE 1744

Instructor: Sharon Leinaala Bright; MAT 3298

Kaipō Dudiōt; MAT 15648

Initial Course: June 14, 2023 - December 13, 2023

Location: 41-1347 Kalanianaʻole Hwy.

Waimanalo, HI 96795

Phone: (808) 954-7161

Trance Inc., MAE 3600

Instructor: Adele Lafever, MAT 16182

Initial Course: June 1, 2023 – August 20, 2023

Location: 198 Pōhōhōwai St.

Hilo, HI 96720

Phone: (808) 278-9119

R Haunani Hopkins dba Mapuna Wai Ola, MAE 1744

Instructor: R Haunani Hopkins, MAT 5099

Initial Course: June 8, 2023 – September 21, 2023

Location: 79-7256 Nahenahe Loop

Honalo, HI 96740

Phone: (808) 896-0572