

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: January 9, 2024

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
Jayce Arakaki, Public Member, Vice Chair
Darci Frankel, Massage Therapist
Sean St. Louis, Public Member
Shannon Skoog, Public Member

Zoom Recording Link: https://youtu.be/0gVK_FP0U_I?si=dx1Ta91Wjf9xmYW4

Present: Risé Doi, Executive Officer (“EO”)
Christopher Leong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Juliet Kalilikane, Secretary
Mia Hoang, Tech Support
Johnny Li, Tech Support

Excused: None.

Guest(s): Jeneesa Jackson
Liqin Yuan

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 9:08 a.m.

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

Meeting: Chair Nagashima noted that under “Guests”, Jeneesa Johnson should be corrected to Jeneesa Jackson. Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Darci Frankel, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the open session and executive session minutes of the November 22, 2023, meeting as amended.

Applications: Chair Nagashima asked if any members from the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item. Jeneesa Jackson and Liqin Yuan were recognized to speak. EO Doi explained that they had the option of discussing each of their applications during executive session instead of the open session. Both applicants opted to speak about their applications during executive session.

Ratification List (see attached list):

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, 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 Ms. Frankel, and unanimously carried to enter executive session at 9:16 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 10:53 a.m., it was moved by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, and unanimously carried to move out of executive session. Sean St. Louis explained that he was unable to login to the Microsoft Teams platform and therefore recused himself from voting.

1) Sara McKibbin

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, it was voted on and carried by the majority to approve Sara McKibbin’s application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam and to deny the request for an exam waiver. Ms. Frankel recused herself and Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

2) Dustin Meza

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to approve Dustin Meza’s application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam and to deny the request for an exam waiver and CPR waiver. Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

3) Devon Ehrenberg

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to approve Devon Ehrenberg’s application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam, and to defer the request for an exam waiver, pending submission of proof of current licensure in Oregon. Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

4) Shaunna Lee Skidmore

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to approve Shaunna Lee Skidmore's application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam. Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

5) Jeneesa Jackson

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to approve Jeneesa Jackson's application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam. Mr. St. Louis abstained.

6) 123 Spa LLC

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to approve 123 Spa LLC's application. Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

7) Tamara Shumaker

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to defer Tamara Shumaker's application for licensure, pending documentation of 110 practical training hours. Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

8) Liqin Yuan

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to deny Liqin Yuan's application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam, pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") §§452(a)(1) and 436B-19(5). Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

9) Fire Palace Inc.

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to approve Fire Palace Inc.'s application. Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

10) Kentaro Ball

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and carried by the majority to deny Kentaro Ball's application to sit for the Hawaii massage exam, pursuant to HRS §§ 452-24(a)(3) and 436B-19(4) and (13). Mr. St. Louis abstained from voting on this matter.

Executive Officer's
Report:

a. Update on Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 16 Chapter 84

EO Doi explained that she submitted the draft with the recommended changes from the Legislative Reference Bureau (“LRB”) and the Regulated Industries Complaints Office (“RICO”) to the Administrative Services Office.

b. Massage therapy examination statistics

EO Doi presented the Board with the massage therapy examination statistics for November 2023 and December 2023.

New Business:

a. Legislative delegation for 2024 session

EO Doi explained that the 2024 legislative session will begin soon and would like the Board to select up to two massage therapists with whom she could consult regarding submitting in case bills relating to massage therapy are scheduled for hearing in between Board meetings. Chair Nagashima and Ms. Frankel offered to assist the EO. Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to allow EO Doi to consult with Chair Nagashima and Ms. Frankel regarding legislative matters.

Mr. Arakaki departed the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

Unfinished
Business:

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

Chair Nagashima explained that the Board has been working on rule revisions for years and asked that Board members review the draft and come prepared to discuss at the next Board meeting. Chair Nagashima suggested increasing the required education and training hours from 570 hours to 625 hours. Mr. St. Louis suggested increasing the required education and training hours to 800 hours, noting it would increase professionalism and reduce prostitution. Ms. Frankel noted that increasing the number of hours could make it financially difficult for massage schools to continue. Ms. Skoog noted that increasing the number of required practical hours will not help students pass the anatomy portion of the Hawaii massage exam, which is the section of the exam where most applicants fail. She noted that she would be in favor of increasing the number of required anatomy hours. Chair Nagashima also added that the Board consider language regarding exam misconduct.

Next Meeting:

March 5, 2024
9:00 a.m.

Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar

and

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Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Nagashima adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Taken by:

Reviewed by:

/s/ Juliet Kalilikane

/s/ Risé Doi

Juliet Kalilikane
Secretary

Risé Doi
Executive Officer

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Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____

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ADDENDUM TO AGENDA

January 9, 2024

MASSAGE THERAPIST

MAT-17682-0	William Romeo Bishop Jr.
MAT-17683-0	Kazuko A DeVirgilio
MAT-17684-0	Alison N Oftedal
MAT-17685-0	Emma Lucretia Waldron
MAT-17688-0	Odyssey Gade
MAT-17689-0	Renee D Fugitt
MAT-17690-0	Rie Kato
MAT-17691-0	ULYSSES RINCON
MAT-17693-0	Brandi Kaleikaumaka Aiko Blevins
MAT-17694-0	Tyler Jan LaRose
MAT-17695-0	Christian K Kalima
MAT-17696-0	Ashlyn K Russell
MAT-17700-0	Karleigh Mckay Paolacci
MAT-17701-0	MAILE M L OGATA
MAT-17702-0	Carla Louise Watkins
MAT-17704-0	Samantha-Jo Aiello
MAT-17706-0	SHIHO INAGAKI
MAT-17709-0	Lenka Kremsa
MAT-17710-0	Krystal Mae Kamback
MAT-17711-0	Oriana Kaleookealoha Blanco
MAT-17712-0	Shawnda L Brooks
MAT-17713-0	Lian K Thomas
MAT-17714-0	Alison Jean Wilson
MAT-17715-0	FALL WEISS
MAT-17717-0	Haylee Hiilani Garcia-Raquel
MAT-17718-0	Fanny Marie Lonchamp
MAT-17724-0	Symone Simpson

MAE-17698-0	Magical Wellness LLC
MAE-17699-0	MANAKAI O MALAMA INTEGRATIVE
MAE-17703-0	Sunny Savage LLC
MAE-17705-0	Le Manaia Massage
MAE-17707-0	Lomilomi Konane LLC
MAE-17708-0	K BEAUTY & MASSAGE THERAPY, LLC
MAE-17716-0	Thai Aina Massage LLC
MAE-17719-0	SUNSHINE MASSAGE AND SPA LLC
MAE-17722-0	Spa Passion LLC

MASSAGE THERAPY WORKSHOP

Knead Professional Massage, MAE-3148

Instructor: Elizabeth Samala, (MAT-16012)

Initial Course: November 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Location: 94-916 Waipahu St. Suite B

Waipahu, HI 96797

Phone: (808) 688-1808

MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT

MAE-17681-0	MAUI BODYWORK & THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE LLC
MAE-17686-0	JIE E LLC
MAE-17687-0	THAI SAWAN MASSAGE LLP
MAE-17692-0	XL888INC
MAE-17698-0	Magical Wellness LLC