

Meeting Minutes
South Dakota Board of Massage Therapy
Wednesday, May 25th, 2022 9:00 a.m. CST
217 W Missouri Avenue Pierre, SD 57501
Via Microsoft Teams

President Christine Ellwein called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Pankratz seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

Board Members Present:

Christine Ellwein, Fallon Helm, Lorin Pankratz, Alvin Trace, Kallyn Reinert

Others in Attendance:

Executive Secretary, Melissa Miller, Legal Counsel, Steve Blair, Department of Health, Susan Sporrer and Jennifer De Hueck and Massage Therapy Board Staff, Jessica Doorn

Guests in Person: Bridget Myers and Barb Trevett

Guests Online:

Rhanda Heller, MARRISA MOORE, Laura Brein, Laura Embleton, Gina Schnabel, Olawa Rae-Bruhjell, James Specker, AMTA (others in attendance were anonymous)

Helm inquired about adding letter from South Dakota Massage Therapist and Bodyworkers Group added to agenda. Board agreed to add to next meeting agenda.

Approval of the Draft Minutes (March 23, 2022)

Helm made a motion to approve the minutes with amended spelling to Kallyn Reinert name. Reinert seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

Open Forum

Barb Trevett and Rhanda Heller addressed the board.

Trace joined the meeting at 9:33

Executive Session (Board Meeting Training and Complaint Procedures)

Pankratz made a motion to go into executive session. Helm seconded the motion. **Motion passed.** Guests left the room. Online guests were put into the waiting room.

Board came out of executive session at 11:33 a.m. Guests came back into the room. Online guests were put into the meeting.

Chair Massage Proposal

Trace presented the proposal. Helm asked questions around the process to clarify rules and regulations to best support decision making process. Pankratz stated that he did not think it was the board's decision. This will be added to next meeting agenda for further discussion and review of the definition of massage therapy in statute.

Executive Session (Complaint 2022-002 and Application)

Helm made a motion to go into executive session. Trace seconded the motion. **Motion passed.** Guests left the room. Online guests were put into the waiting room.

Board came out of executive session at 11:45 a.m. Guests came back into the room. Online guests were put into the meeting.

Case 2022-002

Pankrantz made a motion to dismiss 2022-002. Trace seconded the motion. Reinert recuses herself. **Motion passed.**

Application T10725

Helm made a motion to authorize board staff to enter into an agreed disposition with the applicant and that the application be granted on the grounds the applicant undergo 6 month probationary period. The applicant must maintain mentor approved by board staff and must report monthly. Al Seconded the motion. **Motion passed**

Financial Report

Wages and budget were presented and discussed by Miller. She discussed a increase in fees and stated there would be more discussion at the next meeting.

Adjournment

12:24 p.m.

Fallon Helm,
Secretary