BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 2019

9:05 a.m.

2401 N W 23rd, Suite 84

Testing Center

Oklahoma City, Ok. 73107

Jeff Sells, Chair – Presiding

1. Call to order

Mr. Sells called the meeting to order. The agenda had been properly posted and agenda-ized.

1. Roll call

A quorum was established with roll call. The following persons were present.

**BOARD MEMEBERS:**

Jeff Sells, Chair

Machele Callicoat, Vice Chair

LaFaye Austin

Peggy Avery

Anthony Baldini

Christie Luther

Christy Mather

Greg Mitchell

Thao Pham Nguyen

Bruce Waight

Note: Ms. Austin arrived at 9:15 am. Mr. Helton was not present on this day.

**BOARD’S LEGAL ADVISOR**

Grant Moak, Assistant Attorney General

**BOARD STAFF**

Sherry G. Lewelling, Executive Director

John Funderburk, Principal Assistant Janelle Hastings, Administrative Assistant

Lauri Ann LA Gillete Inspector/Examiner

Asrar Johnson Inspector/Examiner

Camisha Green Student Registrar

Latonca Dollarson, Examiner

**GUESTS**

Kevin Snedden, Rachel Adams, Michelle Smock, Kellie Lene’, Mary Elizabeth LeBlanc, Cynthia Atchico, Kinley Davis, Aubree Fuller, Haylie Kile, Kyra Scott, Chloe Jesse, Kaley Watkins, Payton Prentice, Emory Gray, Hayley Williams, Kaylee Gragg, Aubrey Colombe, Trinity Cain, Emma Davis, Lauren Dodds, Tabitha Harjo, Alex (Kaylee) Todd, Shealyn Barnes, Monica Vargos, Taylor Lunsford, Jaden Wilson, Maci Dansby, Joleen Eikenberry, Kristi Moore, Vyla Goodman, Anna Elliston, Jacie Lee, Raven Frazier, Presley Morris, Thomas Rompf, Laura Grisso

1. Swearing in of new board members; Christie Luther and Greg Mitchell

Christie Luther and Greg Mitchell were welcomed as new board members after being sworn in by Mr. Sells.

1. Discussion and possible action to approve or disapprove budget report (May 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019)- Brandy Bahm, OMES, Agency Business Services

Ms. Bahm reported that all departments are operating under budget.

A motion was made by Ms. Mather and seconded by Mr. Waight to approve budget report (May 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019)

**Voting**:

Callicoat, yes; Austin, yes; Avery, yes; Baldini, yes; Luther, yes; Mather, yes; Mitchell, yes; Pham Nguyen, yes; Waight, yes.

**Motion passed.**

1. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve or Disapprove Board Meeting Minutes from July 8, 2019

A motion was made by Ms. Avery and seconded by Ms. Callicoat to approve Board Meeting Minutes from July 8, 2019

**Voting**:

Callicoat, yes; Austin, yes; Avery, yes; Baldini, yes; Luther, yes; Mather, yes; Mitchell, yes; Pham Nguyen, yes; Waight, yes.

**Motion passed.**

1. Public comment- Opportunity for the board to receive public comments. Each speaker is limited to three minutes. Comments must be related to items listed on the agenda.

No Requests were heard.

Mr. Sells took this opportunity to welcome Cynthia Atchico Instructor and her 31 students from Pontotoc Technology Center, Ada, OK.

1. Director’s report - Sherry G. Lewelling

Ms. Lewelling attended the NIC Directors meeting September 5 and 6 where they worked on creating a document outlining best practices in the industry, trying to create a standard for all states to fully or partially adopt, so there is more uniformity among states. All states will be facing the possibility of deregulation and one of several things they look at is the lack of consistency from state to state. The national average hour requirement is 1500 hours and there will be the big push to reduce the hours of training. She returned from NIC conference early to attend the Occupational Licensing Task force review on September 9, she had already provided them with detailed information regarding Barber Instructor, Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetician and Nail Tech, so Mondays appointment was about scope of practice and that opened it up for questioning. Senator Dahm wanted to know the national standard of hours and requested that she provide information on all states and their hour requirement, he wanted info on CE (continuing education) and what states require that and how many hours. He asked if this was such a dangerous occupation why not require CE in Oklahoma, Ms. Lewelling told him we had always felt that would place an undue burden on our licensees and those who are interested in it will seek it on their own. Overall, Ms. Lewelling thought it was a good review.

She announced inspection numbers for July and August: 973 actual inspections, 270 attempts and 18 schools.

1. Massage Therapy report - Laura Grisso
2. Legislative changes proposal for OSBCB – Laura Grisso

The MTAB met last month, discussed goals regarding legislation and rules and set up committees, we had our first legislative committee yesterday. We went through last year’s legislation and worked on clarification and simplification and will have another meeting to discuss legal questions then present to the Board at next meeting.

She went on to say they will also have rules Committee to meet and their focus will be creating a list of crimes to comply with HB 1373. She said we do not see any other rule changes that need to be made at this time.

Ms. Grisso also requested that the Board look into a possible alternate path to licensure for Master Instructors to compensate for the state wide shortage of Cosmetology or Barber Instructors.

1. Presentation by Kevin Snedden, FSMTB Director of Professional Standards.

Overview of FSMTB, organizational history, mission and member service

Mr. Snedden provided an in-depth overview of FSMTB, (Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards) explaining the many advantages of the organization including test development, Massage Therapy Licensing Database (MTLDa) , Government relations support and Continuing Education registry,

1. NIC Conference Report –

Christy Mather, Jeff Sells, Machele Callicoat, Peggy Avery, LaFaye Austin

Ms. Mather spoke on behalf of the six members who attended the NIC conference in Wisconsin, she said the conference was so good, valuable information was shared, most centered around rule writing and legislation, there were lots of good ideas exchanged, they made a lot of connections, were able to see what other states are doing, what works and does not work in other states. She was also proud to announce that Jeff Sells was voted onto the executive board this year. She commended Ms. Lewelling for being such a strong voice on a national level.

Ms. Callicoat was most impressed on the collaboration and networking with members from other states.

Ms. Austin said that Oklahoma has one of the most respected reputations on the national level, members come prepared and ready to participate.

Mr. Sells mentioned that Mr. Helton has been president of NIC for the last three years and was recognized at NIC for his respected work at NIC.

1. New business which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to posting of meeting agenda 25 O.S. sec.311 (A)(9)

No new business was heard.

1. Board adjournment

Chair Sells announced the meeting to be adjourned.

Jeff Sells, Chair \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Machele Callicoat, Vice Chair \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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