ADVISORY BOARD ON MASSAGE THERAPY

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

December 19, 2019

10:08 a.m.

2401 N W 23rd, Suite 84

Testing Center

Oklahoma City, Ok. 73107

Laura Grisso, Chair – Presiding

1. Call to order

Chair Grisso called the meeting to order. The agenda had been properly posted and agenda-ized.

1. Roll call

Quorum was established with a roll call. The following members were present:

Laura Grisso

Pamela Matherly

Marilyn Ihloff

Kelly Lene’

Robert Rowe

**Board’s Legal Advisor**

Grant Moak

**Board Staff**

Sherry Lewelling

John Funderburk

Janelle Hastings

LauriAnn LA Gillette

**Guests**

Mary Elizabeth LeBlanc

Laura Embleton

Rachel Adams

P Michelle Smock

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1. Discussion and possible action to approve or disapprove board meeting minutes from October 24, 2019

A motion was made by Ms. Ihloff and seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve board meeting minutes from October 24, 2019

Voting:

Mather, yes; Ihloff, yes; Lene’, yes; Rowe, yes.

Motion passed.

1. Public comment- Opportunity for the board to receive public comments. Each speaker is limited to three minutes. The Board cannot respond to or discuss public comments regarding matters not on today’s agenda.

Michelle Smock, LMT and spa owner. Ms. Smock commented that she found it difficult to find massage therapists who are licensed, and felt it important to hold schools accountable that are preparing students to take their board exams. She would like a rule implemented that would require schools to make their pass/fail rate public to prospective students.

1. Legislative Update – Sherry Lewelling

Ms. Lewelling said that she and several board members had visited with Rep. Ross Ford (R-Tulsa) a couple months ago about sponsoring the massage bill, he was very committed and anxious to get something done. Last Friday, December 13, 2019 was the deadline to file any bills, that afternoon about 2:30 pm she received an e mail from him saying unfortunately he could not move forward to carry our bill. There was no time to find anyone else and we had no recourse at that late hour so we are essentially left with nothing, unless we can find someone with a shell bill who would be willing to carry it.

1. Discussion and possible action to approve or disapprove the establishment of regularly scheduled ABMT meetings in 2020, every other month on the third Thursday of the month at 10:00 am.

2020 Dates would be as follows:

February 20th

April 16th

June 18th

August 20th

October 15th

December 17th

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1. A motion was made by Ms. Matherly and seconded by Mr. Rowe to approve the establishment of regularly scheduled ABMT meetings in 2020, every other month on the third Thursday of the month at 10:00 am

Voting:

Mather, yes; Ihloff, yes; Lene’, yes; Rowe, yes.

Motion passed.

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 Grisso adjourned the meeting.

Laura Grisso \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pam Matherly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Marily Ihloff \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Kelli Lene’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Robert Rowe \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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