Minutes

The Music Therapy Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on June 8, 2026, at 101 NE 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. Advance notice of this regularly scheduled meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on October 15, 2025, and posted on the Board's website on May 21, 2026, at 7:38 a.m. pursuant to 25 O.S. § 311(A)(9).

Members present were:
Suzanne Heppel, MT-BC – Chair
Rachel Nowels, MT-BC
Ms. Sonja Mangrum, Lay Member
Shelly Welsh, MS, CCC-SLP, Health Professional

Members absent were:
Katy Kirk, MT-BC

Others present:
Sandra Harrison, JD, Executive Director
Renee Banks, JD, Deputy Director
Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Lisa Cullen, External Licensing Director
Mady Martin, Committee Legal Advisor

Having noted a quorum, Ms. Heppel called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Roll was called by Barbara Smith for purposes of the record.

Ms. Harrison made opening remarks including introducing Renee Banks as the agency's new deputy director. The legislative session adjourned last month and the Medical Board's cleanup bill passed. Completed applications for Licensed Professional Music Therapist licensure may now be issued a temporary letter to practice. In closing, Ms. Harrison advised that our database modernization is on target to be up and running sometime this month.

Following Committee review, Ms. Nowels moved to approve the minutes of January 12, 2026, as written. Ms. Mangrum seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the Committee reviewed licensure applications.

Following review and discussion, Ms. Mangrum moved to recommend approval of the incomplete applications of **AMBER WASHAM** and **SYDNEY HINDS** for Licensed Professional Music Therapist licensure pending completion of the files. Ms. Mangrum seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Nowels moved to recommend approval of the incomplete application of **SAMANTHA RENEE NOSSAMAN** for reinstatement of Licensed Professional Music Therapist licensure

pending completion of the file. Ms. Welsh seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

There being no further business, Ms. Heppel moved to adjourn the meeting. The time was 1:41 p.m.