

BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 1, 2023

1:30 PM

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Thursday, June 1, 2023, 1:30 PM | 1 hour | (UTC-04:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

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BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
Open Session Agenda JUNE 1, 2023

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Cary Bland, LMT – Board Chairperson	PRESENT
Johanna Brooks, LMT – Board Member	PRESENT
Vacant – Board Member, Licensed Massage Therapist	PRESENT
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Vacant – Board Consumer Member	PRESENT
BOARD STAFF:	
Ericka L. Walker, MSW - Executive Director	PRESENT
Thelma Ofosu-Mensah, Health Licensing Specialist	PRESENT
Ajay Gohil, Assistant General Counsel	PRESENT
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	ABSENT
Leonard Howard, Investigator	PRESENT

OPEN SESSION AGENDA, JUNE 1, 2023

OS-0601-01	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> 1:50 PM	
OS-0601-02	<u>ROLL CALL</u> Cary Bland – Chairman Johanna Brooks- Member Ericka Walker – Executive Director Thelma Ofosu- Mensah- Health Licensing Specialist Ajay Gohil – Assistant Attorney General Kasey Cleary-PBI Dr. Christopher Greene -PBI	
OS-0601-03	<u>ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA</u> <u>Board Action:</u> Acceptance of June 1, 2023, Open Session Agenda. <u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Brooks to accept the June 1, 2023, Open Session Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Bland. Mr. Bland and Ms. Brooks voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	
OS-0601-04	<u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u> <u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the April 13, 2023, meeting. <u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Brooks to accept April 13, 2023, Open Session Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Bland. Mr. Bland and Ms. Brooks voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	
OS-0601-05	<u>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</u> No Report	
OS-0601-06	<u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</u> Ms. Ericka Walker gave an update on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC Health Updates • She attended the FSMTB 2023 Massage Board Executive Summit, Denver Colorado. • Census: 578 Licensed Massage Therapists District of Columbia COVID-19	

	<p>https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine</p> <p>District of Columbia Monkeypox</p> <p>https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/monkeypox</p> <p><u>The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments</u></p> <p>The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) recruits talented and interested individuals from all eight Wards to serve on District Boards. Link to apply to serve on a Board: https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seat</p>	
OS-0601-07	<p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</u></p> <p>FSMTB Virtual Membership Event - May 2023</p>	
OS-0601-08	<p><u>PBI EDUCATION - PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD</u></p> <p><u>Action:</u> Presentation and Discussions</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Kasey Cleary, Project Manager for PBI Education, will give a brief presentation about the courses offered by PBI to the Board.</p> <p><u>Action:</u> The Representation from PBI gave detailed information to the Board pertaining to how the Medical Ethics and Professionalism course: https://pbieducation.com/courses/me-15/ is conducted.</p> <p>They also informed the Board of the positive impact of the course on Health Professionals who have participated in the program.</p>	
OS-0601-09	<p><u>LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS</u></p> <p>None</p>	
OS-0601-10	<p><u>MEETING DATES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 20, 2023- Virtual • September 21, 2023- Virtual • November 16, 2023- In-person 	
OS-0601-11	<p><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the applications approved and items for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Applications Approved Since April 2023.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marianne Lombardo 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jessica Liu- Kebaili • Joonsoon Kim • James Piper • Jor-Dan Downing • Martin Isaac Torres Landeros • Clara Everett <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Brooks to accept the consent agenda. Seconded by Mr. Bland.</p> <p>Mr. Bland and Ms. Brooks voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0601-12	<p><u>Parliamentary Procedure (Robert’s Rules) Training Portal</u></p> <p>The Office of Open Government is reporting to us that it has launched its training portal on the parliamentary procedure (Robert’s Rules of Order). The Chair, the Secretary, and all other interested members of this public body who wish to improve their ability to run meetings fairly and efficiently, are invited to write to nicholas.weil@dc.gov with the request: “Please enroll me in The District of Columbia Robert’s Rules of Order Training Portal.”</p> <p><u>Action:</u> No Action Required</p>	
OS-0601-13	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4)(a); 2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6); 3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(9); 	

	<p>4. To plan, discuss or hear reports concerning the ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section § 2-575(b) (14).</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Ms. Brooks to close the open session meeting. Seconded by Mr. Bland.</p> <p>Mr. Bland and Ms. Brooks voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0601-14	Roll Call Vote	
OS-0601-15	This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.	

This ends the Open Session Agenda.

The next meeting is scheduled for **July 20, 2023 (Virtual)**

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