

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY –
Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2024 - Open Board Meeting – TIME: 9:30am**

PLACE:

6222 Jones Creek Road
Meeting Room 3
Baton Rouge, LA 70817

Call to Order by Kathie Lea at 9:37 am

Roll Call P=Present A=Absent

Members:

Kathie Lea: Chairperson	P
Rosemary Wilkinson: Secretary	P
Karla Swacker: Treasurer	P
Donna Green: Vice Chair	P
Memry Hodum: CIO	P
Amie Dudzinski	A
Toshii Cooper	P
Sheri Morris: Attorney	P
James Raines: Attorney	P
Mary Sue Stages: CPA	A
Tricia Thibaut, Executive Director	P
Aubry Stagg: Executive Assistant	P
Chandra Wiley: Administrative Assistant	A

Reading of Mission Statement by Chairperson

Public Comment¹

No Public Comment Given

Business:

- 1) Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a) Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 29, 2024 Meeting
 - b) Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 14, 2024 Meeting
Motion to approve both presented minutes as submitted made by Rosemary Wilkinson, Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Hearing
 - a) Beauty Oriental
 - Owner: Kiet The SuKarla Swacker motioned to deny this license and assess appropriate administrative costs for proceedings as authorized by law and assess applicable fines. Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b) YY Rainbow Massage Spa Inc.
 - Owner: Xiangxing LinKarla Swacker motioned to deny this license and assess appropriate administrative costs for proceedings as authorized by law and assess applicable fines. Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.

- c) Rainbow Spa Li , E4646
 - Owner: Chunzi LiCouncil for Rainbow Spa Li will have the owner agree to the consent agreement within 14 days to be present for board approval at the May 10, 2024 Board Meeting.
- d) Christy Grant, LA9620
This matter is continued to the May 10. 2024 Board Meeting.
- e) Lana Brooks, LA5019
Memry Hodum and Katie Lea are recused from this matter.
Rosemary Wilkinson Motioned to deny re-hearing of this matter. No members seconded.
Kathie Lea Motioned to rehear this matter. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
Donna Green abstained from the vote.
Karla Swacker motions to grant a probationary reinstatement. Motion seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion Carried unanimously.

Karla Swacker motioned to enter into executive session to deliberate items 2a & 2e. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
Karla Swacker motioned to return to regular session. Seconded by Rosemary Wilkinson. Motion carried unanimously.

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- 3) James Raines
 - a) Alex LeGaux, LA 9468
Karla Swacker motioned to approve consent agreement as presented. Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) Mary Sue Stages, CPA
 - a) Financials
Mary Sue Stages was absent from this meeting.
- 5) Treasurer Report
Treasurer has reviewed the latest financial reports, credit card and bank statements as find them to be in order.
The Treasurer updated the board on the status of LAMP implementation.
- 6) Officer Elections
 - a) Chairperson
Karla Swacker re-nominated the current officer. Kathie Lea accepted the nomination. Kathie Lea was unopposed in election.
 - b) Vice Chair
Karla Swacker re-nominated the current officer. Donna Green accepted the nomination. Donna Green is unopposed in election.
 - c) Treasurer
Karla Swacker motioned to re-nominate the current officer. Karla Swacker accepted the nomination. Karla Swacker is unopposed in election.

- d) Secretary
Karla Swacker motioned to nominate Toshii Cooper as Secretary. Toshii Cooper accepted the nomination. Toshii Cooper is unopposed in election.
- e) Complaint Investigation Officer
Karla Swacker motioned to re-nominate the current officer. Memry Hodum accepted the nomination. Memry Hodum is unopposed in election
- f) Continuing Education Reviewer
Karla Swacker re-nominated the current officer. Donna Green accepted the nomination. Donna Green is unopposed in election.

Karla Swacker motioned to accept the election slate as offered. Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Chairperson Report
 - a) SB 353
Karla Swacker motioned to present the bill to the State Legislature as discussed. Seconded by Donna Green. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8) Executive Director Report
The executive Director updated the board on the current renewal season and the website.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:38 pm by Karla Swacker and seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously

¹Public Comment Policy –Public comments are limited to five (5) minutes per agenda item with the Board’s discretion to allow more time if needed.

²The Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy reserves the right to enter into Executive Session, if needed, in accordance with LA R.S. 42:16, 42:17, and La. C.E. art. 506.

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Respectfully Submitted by:



Toshii Cooper, Secretary