

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY –**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**August 23, 2024 - Open Board Meeting – TIME: 9:30am**

**PLACE:**

12910 Old Hammond Hwy  
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

**Call to Order by Kathie Lea at 9:41 am**

**Roll Call P=Present A=Absent**

**Members:**

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

Reading of Mission Statement by Chairperson

**Public Comment<sup>1</sup>**

No Public Comment Given

**Business:**

- 1) Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a) Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 10, 2024 Meeting  
Motion to approve presented minutes as submitted made by Karla Swacker,  
Seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) Hearings
  - a) Lauren Pyle, LA4001  
Motion to approve the renewal the professional massage license subject to ninety (90) day reports on status of the licensees' probation until probationary program is ended and the licensee will only work under the establishment currently listed on their license by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Rosemary Wilkinson. Motion Carried unanimously.
  - b) Rainbow Spa Li  
Motion to deny the renewal and to assess all costs related to the proceedings to be determined by LABMT Office staff and Legal staff along with issuing cease and desist orders to Chunzie Li and Rainbow Spa Li on the renewal application and the business owner must report business closure to the board office by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Rosemary Wilkinson. Motion Carried unanimously.

- 3) James Raines
  - a) Xiaohong Tong, LA9488  
Motion to accept consent agreement as presented by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Amie Dudzinski. Motion carried unanimously.
  - b) Relax Spa 2 LLC, E4512  
Motion to accept consent agreement as presented by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Rosemary Wilkinson. Motion carried unanimously.
  - c) Lifen Hou, LA9801  
Motion to accept consent agreement as presented by Karla Swacker. Seconded by Amie Dudzinski. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) Mary Sue Stages, CPA
  - a) Financials  
The CPA presented the financials from June 2024 and the current year to date compared to budget.
- 5) Treasurer Report
  - a) Financials review  
Treasurer has reviewed the financial reports, credit card and bank statements from May, June and July 2024, and found them to be in order.
- 6) Executive Director Report
  - a) Question from Lola Summers, Director Medical Training College  
The board directed the Executive Director to inform Lola Summers that all makeup work must be completed in the original format of the course.
- 7) Chairperson Report
  - a) Municipal Ordinances Regarding Massage Establishments
  - b) New AG Opinion Regarding Establishment Ordinances  
The Chairperson directed the Legal Staff to request an Attorney General opinion on the legality of Massage Establishment Ordinances.

#### **Adjournment**

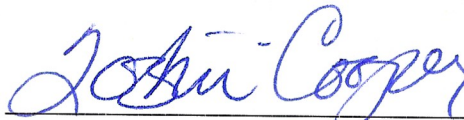
**Motion to adjourn meeting at 12:16 pm by Karla Swacker and seconded by Toshii Cooper. Motion carried unanimously**

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

<sup>2</sup>The 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