KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR MASSAGE THERAPY BOARD MEETING

November 7, 2022

A meeting for the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Massage Therapy was held at the Department of Professional Licensing, located in Frankfort, KY, and via Zoom, on October 3, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING STAFF
Kristen Lawson, Commissioner
Jessica Brown, Board Administrator
Courtney Cook, Operations Section Supervisor
PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET STAFF
Daniel Leffel, Legal Advisor
PUBLIC
Hunter Irons-FSMTB, Ashley Hernandez-FSMTB,
Suntouch, Ann Boone, Susan Rose, Marissa Devane,
Denise Logsdon, Tyson Wyman

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Brandy Madding called the board meeting to order at 1:06 PM.

MINUTES

Michelle Lasley made a motion to approve the minutes from the October, 2022, meeting. Val Smothers seconded. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

The financial report for October, 2022 was reviewed. Commissioner Kristen Lawson presented the report and introduced Courtney Cook, Operations Section Supervisor and indicated that her or someone from her staff will be attending board meetings now and to feel free to contact her with any questions concerning financials.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Daniel Leffel stated that the CE Broker contract was complete and presented it for review.

Brandy Madding made a motion to accept the CE Broker contract as presented and to have legal send out, Cheryl Turner seconded. The motion carried.

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Kristen Lawson indicated that board emails have been created and everyone should start using them starting November 15, 2022 and to reach out to IT if have any problems.

Commissioner Lawson also stated that she has had a few inquiries about Board positions and had forwarded them on to the Governor's office.

NEW BUSINESS

Brandy Madding reiterated that state issued emails for board members were available and would need to start using them effective November 15, 2022.

ONGOING BUSINESS

The CE Registry partnership proposal with FSMTB was reviewed. Val Smothers made a motion to partner with FSMTB and to accept the partnership proposal for CE Registry. Michelle Lasley seconded the motion, carried.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

The Licensure Status Report for November 2022 was reviewed. A correction was noted of four licensees on probation.

BUSINESS REQUIRED TO BE CONDUCTED IN CLOSED SESSION

Brandy Madding moved to enter closed session at 1:18 PM, pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j), for deliberations of quasi-judicial bodies regarding complaints, at which information protected by KRS 61.810(k) may be discussed. Val Smothers seconded. The motion carried.

Brandy Madding moved to return from closed session at 1:51 PM. Val Smothers seconded. The motion carried.

No action taken in closed sessions.

APPLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Applications for November 2022 were reviewed. On behalf of the Applications Committee, Brandy Madding made the following recommendations:

November Inactive Applications Total: (0)

Approved: (0): **Deferred:** (0) **Denied:** (0)

November Initial and Endorsement Applications Total: (17)

Approved: (12): Deferred: (5): Denied: (1)

COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE REPORT

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Daniel Leffel gave the following report and recommendations for the Complaints Committee.

- 2021-05: awaiting final reports/interviews from investigators (no board action).
- 2022-02: while waiting for final report, counsel to draft administrative complaint and proposed agreed order as discussed.
- Complaint re: T.J.L.: counsel to confirm massage therapist's identity.
- Complaint re: T.B.: counsel to draft letter to massage therapist to include with copy of complaint, reiterating penalties for unlicensed practice.
- Complaint referrals from the Kentucky Labor Cabinet: counsel to draft letters to facilities accused of allowing unlicensed practice, including copies of complaints, reiterating penalties for unlicensed practice.
- Complaint re: H.W.: begin board-initiated complaint.

Val Smothers made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Application and Complaints Committee. Cheryl Turner seconded the motion, carried.

BUSINESS REQUIRED TO BE CONDUCTED IN CLOSED SESSION

Brandy Madding moved to enter closed session at 2:30 PM, pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j), for deliberations of quasi-judicial bodies regarding interviews, at which information protected by KRS 61.810(k) may be discussed. Val Smothers seconded. The motion carried.

Brandy Madding moved to return from closed session at 2:33 PM. Val Smothers seconded. The motion carried.

No action taken in closed sessions.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Education Committee made the following report and recommendations:

November Certificate of Good Standing Initial Applications Total: (1)

Approved (0): Deferred: (1): Denied: (0)

November Certificate of Good Standing Renewal Applications Total: (2)

Approved: (1) Deferred: (1): Denied: (0)

November CEU Applications Total: (0)

Approved: (0)

Valerie Smothers made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Education Committee. Nathan Thacker seconded the motion, carried.

MODALITY COMMITTEE REPORT

No report

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Cheryl Turner made a motion to approve travel and per diem for all Board members that attended the Board meeting and committee meetings. Michelle Lasley seconded the motion, carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be December 5, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business brought before the Board, Cheryl Turner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:48 PM. Val Smothers seconded the motion, carried.

BM/jlb