

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR MASSAGE THERAPY
BOARD MEETING**

March 2, 2026

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 TEAMS, on March 2, 2025

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u> Valerie Smothers, Chair Karen Frazier, Vice Chair Nathan Thacker, Secretary Jacob Walbourn Michelle Lasley James Carpenter Jason Washburn	<u>DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING STAFF</u> Kristen Lawson, Commissioner Jeff Bardroff, Admin. Section Supervisor Jessica Brown, Administrative Specialist Senior Jenna Wells, Fiscal <u>PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET STAFF</u> Lilly Coiner, Legal Advisor
<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>PUBLIC</u> Elise Baine, Denise Logsdon

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Valerie Smothers called the board meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

MINUTES

Karen Frazier made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 2nd, 2026, meeting. Michelle Lasley seconded. The motion carried.

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Kristen Lawson announced that she had nothing to discuss, other than the DPL & OLS contracts that are under New Business for today's meeting.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

The financial report for February 2026 was reviewed. No discussion or questions presented.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

The Licensure Status Report for March 2026 was reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS

The MOA for the Office of Legal Services was presented to the board for review. James Carpenter made a motion to accept the MOA for OLS services, with a second by Karen Frazier. Motion carried. The MOA for DPL was reviewed, and a motion was made by Karen Frazier to accept, with a second by Michelle Lasley. The motion carried. It was discussed that an RFP is needed for Investigative Services. A motion was made to move forward with an RFP for Investigative Services by Jacob Walbourn and seconded by Karen Frazier. The motion carried. There are two upcoming dates for DPL's Board Member Training, May 5th & May 13th. Board members are encouraged to attend.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Jessica Brown indicated that Michelle Shane, with the Veterinary Board has provided a date of March 12th for a collaborating meeting.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Lilly Coiner indicated that she had nothing to present at this time. She stated she would have RFP's for Investigative Service to present to the board at the next meeting.

APPLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Applications for March 2026 were reviewed. On behalf of the Applications Committee, Jessica Brown made the following recommendations:

March Initial and Endorsement Applications Total: (15)

Approved: (7): Dawn Abbe, Tevin Chambers, Alyssa Daggett, Alexis Magee, Miranda Pope, Danielle Shariatmadari, Wendy Wormal

Probation: (1)

Deferred: (5):

Denied: (2)

March Certificate of Good Standing Initial Applications Total: (0)

Approved (0):

Probation: (0)

Deferred: (0):

Denied: (0)

March Certificate of Good Standing Renewal Applications Total: (3)

Approved: (0)

Probation: (0)

Deferred: (2):

Denied: (1)

March CEU Applications Total: (2)

Approved: (1)

Deferred: (0)

Denied: (1)

Michelle Lasley made a motion to accept the applications committee report, Jason Washburn seconded. The motion carried.

COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Lilly Coiner presented the complaints committee report:

- 2018BMT00012- Dismiss Inactive
- 2020BMT0004- Dismiss Inactive
- 2020BMT00006- Dismiss Inactive
- 2020BMT00008- Dismiss Inactive
- 2020BMT00010- Dismiss Inactive
- 2020BMT00012- Dismiss Inactive
- 2020BMT00013- Dismiss Inactive
- 2020BMT00014- Dismiss Inactive
- 2021BMT00008- Dismiss Inactive
- 2021BMT00011- Dismiss Inactive
- 2021BMT00012- Dismiss Inactive
- 2022BMT00001- Dismiss Inactive
- 2022BMT00002- Dismiss Inactive
- 2023BMT00008- Dismiss Inactive
- 2023BMT00011- Dismiss Inactive
- 2024BMT00007- Dismiss Inactive
- 2023BMT00007- Dismiss Due to Continued Compliance
- 2026BMT00001- Dismiss Failure to claim for which relief can be granted.
- Close the matter of S.P.
- In re A.M.- Authorize counsel to initiate legal proceedings.

Karen Frazier made a motion to approve the complaints committee report, James Carpenter seconded. The motion carried

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Jessica Brown indicated that a pol had been created and responded to and date will be set for later this month.

BUSINESS REQUIRED TO BE CONDUCTED IN CLOSED SESSION

There was no business requiring closed session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

There was no business that occurred in closed session.

VOTE ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

There was no business that occurred in closed session.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Jacob Walbourn made a motion to approve travel and per diem for all Board members that attended the Board meeting and committee meetings. Nathan Thacker seconded the motion, carried.

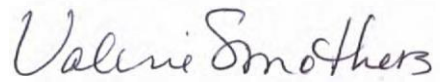
NEXT MEETING

The next board meeting will be April 6th , 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business brought before the Board, Karen Frazier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:24 PM. Nathan Thacker seconded the motion, carried.

VS/JLB

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