

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

September 29, 2025

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 September 29, 2025

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u> Valerie Smothers, Chair Karen Frazier, Vice Chair Nathan Thacker, Secretary Michelle Lasley James Carpenter	<u>DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING STAFF</u> Kristen Lawson, Commissioner Jeff Bardroff, Admin. Section Supervisor Jessica Brown, Administrative Specialist Senior <u>PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET STAFF</u> Lilly Coiner, Legal Advisor Catherine Falconer, General Counsel <u>PUBLIC</u>
<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Valerie Smothers called the board meeting to order at 1:04 PM.

MINUTES

Michelle Lasley made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 29th, 2025, meeting. Nathan Thacker seconded. The motion carried.

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Kristen Lawson stated that the Executive Staff position has been filled by Lyndsay Sipple. We now have two supervisor positions open and are hoping to have those post later this month. James Carpenter asked if there was any known movement for board positions, as he knew of an applicant. Commissioner Lawson indicated she has not received any notification.

Commissioner Lawson also indicated she had nothing else to present unless the board had further questions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

N/A

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

The FSMTB 2025 candidates for board of directors and nominating committee were available for board review. This was discussed in closed session.

ONGOING BUSINESS

N/A

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Lilly Coiner indicated that she had nothing to present at this time.

APPLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Applications for September 29, 2025 were reviewed. On behalf of the Applications Committee, Valerie Smothers made the following recommendations:

September 29th Initial and Endorsement Applications Total: (12)

Approved: (11): Kendel Beverly, Julie Clemons, Yaocong Huang, Jennifer Jenkins, Joquitta Mosley, Lisa Pike, Autumn Robinette, Amber Snodgrass, Travis Snodgrass, Autumn Tibbitts, & Diana Vargas

Deferred: (2):

Denied: (0)

September 29th Certificate of Good Standing Initial Applications Total: (0)

Approved (0):

Probation: (0)

Deferred: (0):

Denied: (0)

September 29th Certificate of Good Standing Renewal Applications Total: (1)

Approved: (1)

Probation: (0)

Deferred: (0):

Denied: (0)

September 29th CEU Applications Total: (0)

Approved: (0)

Deferred: (0)

Denied: (0)

Michele Lasley made a motion to accept the applications committee report, Karen Frazier seconded. The motion carried.

COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE REPORT

N/A

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Jessica Brown indicated that there was nothing to present at this time. Jessica Brown indicated another doodle poll for late October or early November has been sent out.

BUSINESS REQUIRED TO BE CONDUCTED IN CLOSED SESSION

Michelle Lasley moved to enter closed session at 1:13 PM, pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j), for deliberations of quasi-judicial bodies regarding the board, at which information protected by KRS 61.810(k) may be discussed. Karen Frazier seconded. The motion carried.

James Carpenter moved to return from closed session at 1:26 PM. Karen Frazier seconded. The motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Board Chair Valerie Smothers announced the board was returning from closed session at 1:26 PM.

VOTE ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Michelle Lasley made a motion to accept items discussed in closed session, James Carpenter seconded. The motion carried.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

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

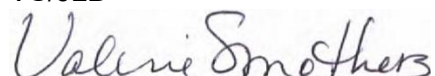
NEXT MEETING

The next special called meeting will be November 3, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business brought before the Board, James Carpenter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:29 PM. Nathan Thacker seconded the motion, carried.

VS/JLB

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Valerie Smothers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

