

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

September 8, 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 8, 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 1:01 PM.

MINUTES

Karen Frazier made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 4th, 2025, meeting. Michelle Lasley seconded. The motion carried.

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Kristen Lawson stated again that April Alsabrook has left DPL and that DPL detailed Jeff Bardroff as interim supervisor. Ms. Lawson also stated that the interviews for the Executive Staff position have been completed, and DPL has submitted their recommendation and are awaiting a response from personnel.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

The financial report for August 2025 were reviewed.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

The Licensure Status Report for September 2025 was reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS

The FSMTB 2025 candidates for board of directors and nominating committee were available for board review. This discussion has been tabled to review at the September 29th special board meeting.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Karen Frazier indicated that there was nothing to report from the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners.

A special meeting date has been set for September 29th to take the place of the October board meeting.

Attorney Lilly Coiner reiterated that the board is now placing the list of approved applicant's names on the board meeting minutes.

ATTORNEY REPORT

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

APPLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

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

September Initial and Endorsement Applications Total: (35)

Approved: (29): Jenna Bigley, Matthew Conley, Jonathan Dorsey, Cynthis Doyle, Amber Espinoza-Williams, Nicholas Hall, Berenice Harp, Howard Humphries, Desaray Pence, Sabrina Roberts, Montana Roy, Dayna Rogers, Joshua Sickafoose, Tanya Spangler, Shanta Tipton, Spencer Vaught, Amanda Vincent, Heather Vincent, Bekki Wade, Jessica Wells, Amy Counts, Morgan Ellis, Samantha Knox, Jessie Reese, Jonay Seymour, Eric Smith, Caselyn Traugher, Lily Wolken, & Guoyo Xiang

Deferred: (4):

Denied: (2)

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

Approved (0):

Probation: (0)

Deferred: (0):

Denied: (0)

September Certificate of Good Standing Renewal Applications Total: (4)

Approved: (2)

Probation: (1)

Deferred: (1):

Denied: (0)

September 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

Lilly Coiner presented the complaints committee report:

- **2020BMT00003 Dismiss.**
- **2021BMT00005 Dismiss due to lack of corroborating evidence.**
- **2023BMT00001 Dismiss due to compliance with terms.**
- **2023BMT00003 Dismiss due to compliance with terms**
- **2023BMT00009 Dismiss due to lack of corroborating evidence.**
- **2024BMT00002 Dismiss due to lack of corroborating evidence**
- **2024BMT00009 Dismiss due to lack of corroborating evidence.**
- **2024BMT00010 Dismiss due to lack of corroborating evidence.**
- **2024BMT00008 Contact Respondent to discuss settlement.**

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

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 will be sent out.

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

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

NEXT MEETING

The next special called meeting will be September 29, 2025, to take the place of the October meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business brought before the Board, Karen Frazier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:18 PM. Michelle Lasley seconded the motion, carried.

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