

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

**April 6, 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

<b><u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u></b> Karen Frazier, Vice Chair Nathan Thacker, Secretary Jacob Walbourn Michelle Lasley James Carpenter Jason Washburn	<b><u>DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING STAFF</u></b> Kristen Lawson, Commissioner Jessica Brown, Administrative Specialist Senior Jenna Wells, Fiscal <b><u>PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET STAFF</u></b> Lilly Coiner, Legal Advisor
<b><u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u></b> Valerie Smothers, Board Chair	<b><u>PUBLIC</u></b> Elise Baine, Denise Logsdon, Ann Boone, Terry Pollard, Kevin Douglas

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Karen Frazier called the board meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

**MINUTES**

Jacob Walbourn made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 2<sup>nd</sup> , 2026, meeting. Nathan Thacker seconded. The motion carried.

**DPL REPORT**

Commissioner Kristen Lawson announced that the Kentucky Board of licensure for Massage Therapy is the next board that DPL and IT will be working with to launch online applications.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT**

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

**LICENSURE STATUS REPORT**

The Licensure Status Report for April 2026 was reviewed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Karen Frazier discussed that FSMTB's annual meeting would be coming up in October and that FSMTB would cover the cost for two members from the board to attend. She was not sure about the exact dates but Elise Baine from FSMTB was on the meeting and shared that the dates are set for October 21<sup>st</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Jason Washburn made a motion to send two individuals from the board and James Carpenter seconded. Motion carried.

### **ONGOING BUSINESS**

Jessica Brown indicated that a few of the board members met with the Veterinary Board & Michelle Shane on March 12<sup>th</sup> for a collaborating meeting. Karen Frazier indicated that Jessica Brown would be attending the FSMTB Summit at the end of the month in Rhode Island and Lilly Coiner is scheduled to attend the FARBS conference coming up this summer.

### **ATTORNEY REPORT**

Attorney Lilly Coiner indicated that she had nothing to present at this time. She stated that the attorneys were having a meeting tomorrow to discuss investigator contracts and should have RFP's for Investigative Service to present to the board at the next meeting.

### **APPLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Applications for April 2026 were reviewed. On behalf of the Applications Committee, Karen Frazier made the following recommendations:

#### **April Initial and Endorsement Applications Total: (13)**

**Approved:** (7): Jesse Abraham, Christa Bolton, Lilly Comstock, Cesar Correoso-Gomez, Darcy Oldfield, Amanda Price, Alijah Reed

**Probation:** (1)

**Deferred:** (4):

**Denied:** (1)

#### **April Certificate of Good Standing Initial Applications Total: (0)**

**Approved** (0):

**Probation:** (0)

**Deferred:** (0):

**Denied:** (0)

#### **April Certificate of Good Standing Renewal Applications Total: (1)**

**Approved:** (0)

**Probation:** (1)

**Deferred:** (0):

**Denied:** (0)

#### **April CEU Applications Total: (3)**

**Approved:** (0)

**Deferred:** (0)

**Denied:** (3)

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

### **COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Lilly Coiner presented the complaints committee report:

- 2023BMT00003- Dismiss Due to Corroborating Evidence
- 2026BMT00004- Dismiss Due to Corroborating Evidence
- 2026BMT00005- Dismiss Due to Corroborating Evidence

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

### **REGULATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

There was no discussion.

### **BUSINESS REQUIRED TO BE CONDUCTED IN CLOSED SESSION**

Jacob Walbourn moved to enter closed session at 1:16 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. James Carpenter seconded. The motion carried.

Jason Washburn moved to return from closed session at 1:29 PM. Michelle Lasley seconded. The motion carried.

### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Vice Chair Karen Frazier announced the board was returning from closed session at 1:29 PM.

### **VOTE ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

Jacob Walbourn made a motion for staff members to work with IT to try and make a list of Kentucky licensees that attended certain schools that are no longer accredited. Nathan Thacker seconded, and the motion carried.

### **TRAVEL AND PER DIEM**

James Carpenter 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 board meeting will be May 4<sup>th</sup> , 2026.

## ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business brought before the Board, Jacob Walbourn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:32 PM. Nathan Thacker seconded the motion, carried.

VS/JLB

*Valerie Smothers*