

**MASSAGE THERAPISTS AND BODY WORKERS  
ADVISORY COUNCIL  
LIVE MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 29, 2010**

- PRESENT:** Betsy Krizenesky
- BY PHONE:** Cindy Spitzza, Barbara Yetter and Jeanne Johnson
- ABSENT:** Claude Gagnon (joined meeting at 8:40)
- STAFF PRESENT:** Tom Ryan, Bureau Director; Michael Berndt, General Counsel; Michelle Solem, Bureau Assistant and other staff members during portions of the meeting.
- GUESTS:** Patrick Sweeney, Education Approval Board (EAB)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Tom Ryan, Bureau Director, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. A quorum of four (4) was present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- MOTION:** Barbara Yetter moved, seconded by Cindy Spitzza, to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF JULY 10, 2010**

Tom Ryan noted that since this is a new regulatory board, it would not be able to approve the minutes as a whole but would be able to approve the motions from that meeting.

- MOTION:** Claude Gagnon moved, seconded by Jeanne Johnson, to approve the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Body Work Examination, Massage Therapy and Bodywork Licensing Examination and Asian Bodywork Therapy Examination for the purposes of licensure pursuant to § 460.06 (1) Wis. Stats. Motion carried unanimously.

**2011 MEETING DATES**

Mr. Ryan shared the meeting dates for 2011 with the Board.

## **Elections**

**NOMINATION:** Claude Gagnon nominated Betsy Krizenesky as chairperson. Mr. Ryan called for additional nominations three times before calling the vote.

**ELECTION:** Betsy Krizenesky was elected chairperson for the 2011 calendar year.

**NOMINATION:** Barbara Yetter nominated herself as vice-chairperson. Claude Gagnon nominated himself as vice-chairperson. Mr. Ryan called for additional nominations three times before calling the vote.

**ELECTION:** Claude Gagnon was elected vice-chairperson for the 2011 calendar year.

**NOMINATION:** Betsy Krizenesky nominated Barbara Yetter as secretary. Mr. Ryan called for additional nominations three times before calling the vote.

**ELECTION:** Barbara Yetter was elected secretary for the 2011 calendar year.

Betsy Krizenesky appointed Jeanne Johnson as primary credentialing liaison with Cindy Spitza as a secondary liaison.

## **TEMPORARY LICENSE**

**MOTION:** Barb Yetter moved, seconded by Claude Gagnon, to establish a grace period of 60 days for temporary practice provided the applicants disclose that they are working with a pending license under on-site supervision of a licensed massage therapist, graduate from a school with 600 hours or more, provide proof of insurance as required by law and are practicing under a licensed massage therapist. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Betsy Krizenesky moved, seconded by Cindy Spitza, to authorize the Department to develop a scope statement for the Board with respect to temporary licenses. Motion carried unanimously.

There was lengthy discussion related to the Wisconsin Law and Ethics exam. Mr. Ryan suggested that a work group be established that would include representatives from the massage therapy schools and the Department. Betsy Krizenesky and Jeanne Johnson will serve on the work group. Jill Remy will coordinate this project with Patrick Sweeney (EAB).

## **600 HOUR COURSE**

**MOTION:** Betsy Krizenesky moved, seconded by Claude Gagnon, to recognize the 500 hour approved training program in section 61 (1)(c) (of 2009

Wisconsin Act 355) non-statutory provisions, would qualify for the 200 hour program. Motion carried unanimously.

### **200 HOUR COURSE**

Mr. Sweeney indicated that the EAB had met and discussed the following: Hours related to pathology, hours related to rules and laws and additional hours of an individualized program based on an assessment. Mike Berndt suggested the exam work group also consider these requirements.

**MOTION:** Claude Gagnon moved, seconded by Cindy Spitz, to set minimum requirements for the 200 hour course of 100 hours anatomy, physiology, pathology and kinesiology including indication, contraindication and documentation, 25 hours of business law & ethics, 25 hours massage therapy or bodywork theory or practice, 5 hours in CPR/AED, leaving 45 hours of electives. Motion carried unanimously.

### **EQUIVALENCIES**

Mike Berndt explained that there have been requests from licensees that they be allowed to take an equivalent test in Spanish. Approval for these tests will be granted by the Department with no further Board action.

### **REVIEW OF WIS. STAT. § 460.03 (2m)**

The Board discussed the different practices that would require licensing and which would not.

### **DRL RULES AND BOARD RULES DISCUSSION**

**MOTION:** Betsy Krizenesky moved, seconded by Cindy Spitz, to direct the department to prepare a scope statement to bring the Board rules consistent with Wisconsin Act 355. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board understands that DOE will still be applying RL 94 until the rules have been updated to reflect the changes brought about related to 2009 Wisconsin Act 355.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Jeanne Johnson moved, seconded by Barb Yetter, to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 am. Motion carried unanimously.