

**GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
June 25, 2010**

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy board meeting was held Friday, June 25, 2010, at The Professional Licensing Boards Division offices located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

**The following members were present:**

Jane H. Johnson, Chair  
Melony Phillips, Vice Chair  
Kathy Lescak, Cognizant  
Steve Earles

**Board Members Absent:**

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director  
Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor  
Yvonne LeSane, Licensure Analysts  
Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist

**Assistant Attorney General:**

Janet Jackson, A. A. G. (via video conference)

**Guest Attendees:**

Shawnte L. Peterson

**Ms. Johnson established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.**

**Agenda:**

**Ms. Lescak motioned, Mr. Earles seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda with late agenda items added. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Minutes:**

**Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Phillips seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.**

- April 23, 2010

**Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Phillips seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following conference call minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

- May 20, 2010

**Board Chair Report:**

1. Ms. Johnson notified the Board that it was time to nominate a member from the Board as the assigned delegate to attend the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards annual conference meeting. The meeting is scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup>, and will be held at the El San Juan Hotel and Casino in San Juan, Puerto Rico.
  - **Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Phillips seconded, and the Board voted to elect Ms. Kathy Lescak as the assigned Board delegate. None opposed, motion carried.**

### Correspondences:

Correspondences received at the scheduled Board meeting was reviewed and discussed. Several of the correspondences were reviewed during Executive Session.

- National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage & Bodywork
- Kristian Duggan
- Laura DeLaNoy

**Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to allow the administrative staff to respond to all correspondences presented to the Board as directed. One opposed, motion carried.**

### Executive Director's Report:

1. Mr. Zimmerman informed the Board that it would not be feasible to attach photo to the pocket cards issued by the Board.
2. Mr. Zimmerman informed the Board that he was currently working with the I.T. Department in reference to sending out a blast email to all licensees, reminding them of the upcoming renewal period.
3. Mr. Zimmerman informed the Board that Senate Bill 502 did not pass.
4. Mr. Zimmerman reviewed with the Board the correspondence drafted to the Georgia Chiropractic Association. Correspondence was finalized and approved by the Board.
5. Mr. Zimmerman requested the Board review their Frequently Asked Questions for any necessary revisions.
  - **Ms. Phillips motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to approve the revised frequently asked questions as drafted during the meeting. Revisions will be posted to the Board's website. None opposed, motion carried.**
6. Mr. Zimmerman requested that the Board consider whether or not they would like to begin requiring a fee from the massage therapy educational programs that apply to become a Board Recognized Massage Therapy Educational Program. Topic item will be addressed at the next scheduled Board meeting.
7. Mr. Zimmerman requested that the Board review their current policies for any necessary revisions.
  - **Ms. Lescak motioned, Mr. Earles seconded, and the Board voted to accept the revised policies as drafted during the Board meeting. In addition, the Board has requested to have all Board policies placed on the website. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Phillips seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Executive Director's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Phillips motioned, and Mr. Earles seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General's, Cognizant, and Enforcement Reports. Voting in**

**favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Johnson, Phillips, Lescak and Earles.**

**Rule Discussion:**

I. The Board discussed amendments to the following rules:

Rule 345-4-.02 Continuing Education Hours

Rule 345-4-.05 Reinstatement of Licensure

Rule 345-5-.01 Licensure by Endorsement

Rule 345-6-.01 Repealed

Board drafted and proposed a new rule that will replace the originally repealed rule 345-6-.01. Rule 345-6-.01 will now be titled "Professional and Unprofessional Conduct".

- **Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Phillips seconded, and the Board voted to post the proposed amendments to Board Rules 345-4-.02, 345-4-.05, 345-5-.01 and 345-6-.01 for the 30-day minimum requirement upon the receipt of the memo of authority from Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General. None opposed, motion carried.**
- **Ms. Phillips motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee.**

II. Following discussion regarding the following Board rules, recommendations were tabled for further discussion until the planned conference call in July and subsequent scheduled Board meetings:

Rule 345-.3-.02 Applications for Licensure Post July 01, 2007

Rule 345-4-.04 Inactive Status

Rule 345-10-.01 General Provisions

Rule 345-10-.03 Advertising

**APPLICATIONS:**

**Ms. Lescak motioned, and Ms. Phillips seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants applying for licensure by Application: None opposed, motion carried.**

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| 1. Almon, Tabrekia   | Approved for licensure                        |
| 2. Bachner, Jennifer | Approved for licensure                        |
| 3. M.B.              | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 4. Bass, Jessica     | Approved for licensure                        |
| 5. S.C.              | Pending applicant interview                   |
| 6. Coleman, Damon    | Approved for licensure                        |
| 7. D.C.              | Pending the receipt of additional information |
| 8. Gallagher, Anna   | Approved for licensure                        |
| 9. V.J.              | Pending further Board review                  |

10. Ledford, Jennifer	Approved for licensure
11. D.L.	Pending the receipt of additional information
12. Lindsey, Virgil	Approved for licensure
13. R.M.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
14. Nickerson, Brenda	Approved for licensure
15. Oliver, Crystal	Approved for licensure
16. J.P.	Pending the receipt of additional information
17. Philson, Giselle	Approved for licensure
18. L.P.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
19. L.R.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
20. L.R.	Pending further Board review
21. S.R.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
22. Scott, Antonett	Approved for licensure
23. Shoemaker, Angela	Approved for licensure
24. M.S.	Pending further Board review
25. M.W.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
26. J.Y.	Pending further Board review

**Ms. Phillips motioned, and Mr. Earles seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants applying for licensure by Application: One opposed, motion carried.**

1. U.T. - Denied. The Board reviewed all documents submitted regarding your education and training and determined that the statutory requirements for licensure prior to July 01, 2007 had not been met under O.C.G.A. §43-24A-8(b) (4) (D) and Rule 345-3-.01 (1) (e), paragraphs (1), (5) and (6). The Board considered that no response had been received concerning the Board's recommendation regarding your application at the April 2010 meeting. Applicant will need to reapply for licensure under the current statutory requirements.

**Mr. Earles motioned, and Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicant applying for licensure by Reinstatement: None opposed, motion carried.**

1. S.M.G. Appeal request denied. Board decision stands. Issue upon the receipt of a signed public reprimand with fine.
2. J.P. Approved for licensure. Issue upon the receipt of a signed public reprimand and fine.
3. Luczak, Joanna Approved for licensure

**Ms. Lescak motioned, and Ms. Phillips seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on licensee requesting Inactive Status:**

**Petition for Waiver/Variance Requests:**

Arlene Johnston- Rule 345-4-.02(1) (a) Continuing Education Hours.

**Ms. Phillips motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to grant the waiver request. Licensee may obtain all required 24-hrs of continuing education electronically. All continuing education hours must be obtained in the field of massage therapy. The Board will not accept any hours in connection to animal related massage therapy courses. One opposed, motion carried.**

**Approved Licensees:**

**Ms. Phillips motioned, and Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the following applications approved between Board meetings, determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:**

<b>License No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>
MT006574	Yoshie, Morikawa	4/22/2010
MT006575	Littlejohn, Sarah Elizabeth	4/22/2010
MT006576	Wang, Xianmei	4/22/2010
MT006577	Huang, Xiao Ling	4/22/2010
MT006578	Ma, Chao	4/22/2010
MT006579	Chen, Zhaoman	4/22/2010
MT006580	Stephens, Keidra Laquan	4/22/2010
MT006581	Pintilie, Robert	4/22/2010
MT006582	Michaels, Donald Eugene	4/22/2010
MT006583	Chambers, Denise Sanol	4/22/2010
MT006584	Markman, Michael Christopher	4/22/2010
MT006585	Wells, Robbin Lea	4/22/2010
MT006586	Pruitt, Connie Lynn	4/22/2010
MT006587	Scobey, Rachel Mary	4/22/2010
MT006588	Corliss, Hannah Tawny Amanda	4/22/2010
MT006589	Hutchinson, Nancy Suzanne	4/22/2010
MT006590	Lopez, Franklin Javier	4/22/2010
MT006591	Profilov, Marin Dimitrov	4/22/2010
MT006592	Parsley, Karen Marie	4/22/2010
MT006593	Chong, Jaein	4/22/2010
MT006594	Reed, Kimberly Ann	4/22/2010
MT006595	Wang, Chunlan	4/22/2010
MT006596	Shao, Wei Hong	4/22/2010
MT006597	Dietz, Elysha Madison	4/23/2010
MT006598	West, Daniel Raymond	4/23/2010
MT006599	Odom, Jessica Vertrice	4/23/2010
MT006600	Weldon, Kirsten Cheree	4/23/2010
MT006601	Hauschild, Richard Wilson	4/23/2010
MT006602	Chambers, Davia Clara	4/29/2010
MT006603	Halko, John Weston	4/29/2010
MT006604	Mitchell, Kelly Youngblood	4/29/2010
MT006605	Scott, Charlotte Anne	4/29/2010
MT006606	Cloud, Crystal Lynn	4/29/2010
MT006607	Shearer, Andrea L	4/29/2010
MT006608	St Claire, Traci Marie	4/29/2010
MT006609	Stanley, Adriane Rebecca	4/29/2010

MT006610	Tiller, Jeremy Ronald	4/29/2010
MT006611	Hooks, Avery	4/29/2010
MT006612	Kopkin, Marian A	4/29/2010
MT006613	Floyd, My'leka Monique	4/29/2010
MT006614	Harris, Christopher Michael	4/29/2010
MT006615	McPherson, Latrica Monique	4/29/2010
MT006616	Pierce, Dwayne Phillip	4/29/2010
MT006617	Stadler, Alexander	4/29/2010
MT006618	Thomas, Kenneth Lynn, II	4/29/2010
MT006619	Commander, Patrick DeWayne	4/29/2010
MT006620	Hicks, Erin Dennise	4/29/2010
MT006621	Nelson, Lydia Ann	4/29/2010
MT006622	Praylow, Aaron Micah	4/29/2010
MT006623	Sims, Teresa Gayle	4/29/2010
MT006624	Strozier, Alex Melton, III	4/29/2010
MT006625	Garrett, Melissa Dale	4/29/2010
MT006626	Hunter, Andrew Lee	4/29/2010
MT006627	Stahl, Geoffrey Lee	4/30/2010
MT006628	Boynes, Dana Marie	4/30/2010
MT006629	Richardson, Connie Caressa	4/30/2010
MT006630	Copeland, Timothy Richard	4/30/2010
MT006631	Jacobs, Claudell	4/30/2010
MT006632	Lee, Leon K	4/30/2010
MT006633	Mack, John Robert	4/30/2010
MT006634	Echols, Addie Jill	5/3/2010
MT006635	Doctor, Stacy	5/4/2010
MT006636	Sean, Kim	5/4/2010
MT006637	Theodore, Anderson David	5/4/2010
MT006638	Nelson, Melissa Claire	5/4/2010
MT006639	Rollins, Stephanie Joy	5/4/2010
MT006640	Freeman, Dianna Nicholson	5/5/2010
MT006641	Benson, Yazmeenah	5/6/2010
MT006642	Spicer, Angeline	5/6/2010
MT006643	Echelbarger, Rodney Eugene	5/6/2010
MT006644	Merkin, Diane L	5/10/2010
MT006645	Aslanidis, Peter P	5/10/2010
MT006646	Lyle, Kristi Marie	5/11/2010
MT006647	McBride, Clea F	5/12/2010
MT006648	Gao, Jing	5/12/2010
MT006649	McDonough, Daniel Thomas	5/13/2010
MT006650	McCray, Mark Haywood	5/14/2010
MT006651	Cummings, Camron Kent	5/18/2010
MT006652	Black, Allen Coffin	5/19/2010

MT006653	Alexander, Denise Cheryl	5/19/2010
MT006654	Martin, Maurice A, II	5/19/2010
MT006655	Wren, Jennifer Marie	5/19/2010
MT006656	McKinney, Carrie Melissa	5/19/2010
MT006657	Cook, Yujiao Wei	5/21/2010
MT006658	Walton, Darrell Nathaniel	5/21/2010
MT006659	Raiser, Sara Nichole	5/24/2010
MT006660	Baggett, Barbara Ann Rogers	5/24/2010
MT006661	Shackelford, Steven Lynn	5/24/2010
MT006662	Xue, Jinhua	5/24/2010
MT006663	Urban, Maija Salins	5/24/2010
MT006664	Hall, Mishaen Cheri	5/24/2010
MT006665	Mao, Rui	5/24/2010
MT006666	Beach, Erin Brooke	5/24/2010
MT006667	Butler, Lakeisha Helena	5/24/2010
MT006668	Clark, Kathryn Amanda	5/24/2010
MT006669	Dominicci, Renuccio	5/24/2010
MT006670	Guo, Qiuju	5/24/2010
MT006671	Hu, Lin	5/24/2010
MT006672	Meeler, Hannah Nicole	5/24/2010
MT006673	Wang, Wenjie	5/24/2010
MT006674	Olson, Tracy Charlene	5/24/2010
MT006675	Chang, Steve	5/25/2010
MT006676	Espinoza, Katherine Lynn	5/26/2010
MT006677	Daniels, Kathy Ann	5/26/2010
MT006678	Alvarado, Tori Monique	5/26/2010
MT006679	Burgess, Patsy Amanda	5/26/2010
MT006680	Liu, Pinzhong	5/26/2010
MT006681	Johnston, Joanna Bowen	5/26/2010
MT006682	Jackson, Kimberly A	5/26/2010
MT006683	Wilson, Bonnie K	5/26/2010
MT006684	Dasher, Becky Faye	5/26/2010
MT006685	Baker, Alexis Lynne	5/26/2010
MT006686	Barnes, Brian A	5/26/2010
MT006687	Muhly, Trisha Lynn	5/26/2010
MT006688	Livingston, James Caleb	5/26/2010
MT006689	Dawson, Kosena Frazier	5/26/2010
MT006690	Uta, Roxana N	5/26/2010
MT006691	Thomas, Setheeneese Asta	5/26/2010
MT006692	Dickerson, Melissa J	5/26/2010
MT006693	Degbor, Christine B	5/27/2010
MT006694	Jones, Miranda Michelle	6/7/2010
MT006695	Sinrich, Joan Miller	6/7/2010

MT006696	Walker, Kimberly Annette	6/9/2010
MT006697	French, Latoya Yoruba	6/9/2010
MT006698	Orescar, Lunes	6/10/2010
MT006699	Qui, Qiong Zhou	6/10/2010
MT006700	Smith, Brandon Fletcher	6/10/2010
MT006701	Bires, John Kevin	6/10/2010
MT006702	Quintana, LaTosha Danean	6/10/2010
MT006703	Panageli, Diamantia	6/10/2010
MT006704	Turner, Amie Michelle	6/11/2010
MT006705	Dietrick, Lauren Beck	6/11/2010
MT006706	Simms, Jessica Lynn	6/11/2010
MT006707	Zhao, Xiu Rong	6/11/2010
MT006708	Newsome, Haley Marie	6/11/2010
MT006709	Young, Ashley Elaine	6/11/2010
MT006710	Galicia, Nathan	6/11/2010
MT006711	Floyd, Tieshia D	6/11/2010
MT006712	O Hara, Megan Leigh	6/11/2010
MT006713	Clark, Sarah Lindsay	6/14/2010
MT006714	Pelka, Ann Lauren	6/14/2010
MT006715	Zhuang, Quan	6/14/2010
MT006716	Ingle, Meihua	6/14/2010
MT006717	Sun, Jiening	6/14/2010
MT006718	Silcox, Robert P, Jr	6/14/2010
MT006719	Bullock, Marguerite J	6/14/2010
MT006720	Kresic, Gordana A	6/14/2010
MT006721	Walker, Jamila Ann	6/14/2010
MT006722	Wang, Jun Suo	6/14/2010
MT006723	Dickerson, Patricia Jean	6/14/2010
MT006724	Liu, Qiang	6/14/2010
MT006725	Coker, Diana Cecelia	6/14/2010
MT006726	Thomas, Joni Lynn White	6/14/2010
MT006727	Litton, Eva Jean Nicole	6/14/2010
MT006728	ElFaroug, Khadijah Fatima	6/14/2010
MT006729	Sproles, Robert Edward	6/14/2010
MT006730	Cepeda, Maria	6/14/2010
MT006731	Scott Walton, Johnavia Natalie	6/14/2010
MT006732	Wondercheck, Guyla June	6/15/2010
MT006733	Bao, Ying	6/15/2010
MT006734	Dowd, Gina Marie	6/16/2010
MT006735	Collins, Kimberly LeAnn	6/18/2010
MT006736	Isaac, Vanessa M	6/18/2010
MT006737	Williams, Brandy Nicole	6/18/2010
MT006738	Rakestraw, Michael Reece	6/21/2010

MT006739	Thomas, Reginald D'Wayne	6/23/2010
MT006740	Dong, Shuxuan	6/23/2010
MT006741	Miller, Robert Douglas	6/23/2010
MT006742	Miller, Barbara Clare	6/23/2010
MT006743	Wang, Dan	6/23/2010
MT006744	Ngo Banack, Adele Marie	6/23/2010

**Massage Therapy School/Compliance Report:**

Mr. Earles presented the Board with the Massage Therapy school/compliance report.

The following schools were approved as a Board Recognized Massage Therapy Educational Program. The effective date of approval is June 25, 2010.

- Miller Motte Technical College, Columbus, GA
- Western Institute of Neuromuscular Therapy, Laguna Hills, CA (1000 hr MT program only)

**The following Georgia Board Recognized Massage Therapy Educational Programs are noted to be in compliance with Board Rule 345-8-.03- Additional Requirements.**

- Academy of Somatic Healing Arts, Norcross, GA
- Athens Institute of Massage Therapy, Athens, GA
- Atlanta Beauty Academy, Doraville, GA
- Atlanta School of Massage, Atlanta, GA
- Augusta School of Massage, Evans, GA
- Georgia Academy of Massage, LLC, Augusta, GA
- Georgia Massage School, Suwanee, GA
- Georgia Northwestern Technical College
- Gwinnett College of Sandy Springs (former Rising Spirit), Sandy Springs, GA
- Martial Arts Academy, Metter, GA
- Miller-Motte Technical College, Columbus, GA
- Savannah School of Massage, Savannah, GA
- Virginia College, Augusta, GA

**The following Georgia Board Recognized Massage Therapy Educational Programs are noted to be out of compliance with Board Rule 345-8-.03 Additional Requirements. Each school location will be placed on a probationary period for one year (July 15, 2010 thru July 15, 2011). Each school is responsible for notifying their current students, as well as, any future students who apply, that the school is currently on probationary status with the Board. A copy of the written notification must also be sent to the Board for review.**

- American Professional Institute, Macon, GA
- American Professional Institute, Gainesville, GA
- Georgia Career Institute, Conyers, GA
- Georgia Massage Institute, Winder, GA
- Everest Institute, Jonesboro, GA
- Everest Institute, Marietta, GA
- Everest Institute, Norcross, GA

- Gwinnet College, Lilburn, GA
- International School of Skin and Nailcare, Atlanta, GA
- Medix School, Smyrna, GA
- Moultrie Technical College, Moultrie, GA
- North Georgia Technical College, Clarksville, GA
- Sanford Brown Institute, Atlanta, GA

**The following Georgia Board Recognized Massage Therapy Educational Programs are noted to be out of compliance with Rule 345-8-.03 Additional Information. The Board was unable to obtain/verify the passage rate scores for first time test takers from either NCBTMB or FSTMB to determine if they meet the requirements for Rule 345-8-.03 Additional Requirements. Both locations have been placed on probation for a period of one year. The probation period will begin July 15, 2010 and end July 15, 2011.**

- Albany Therapeutic Massage Program, Albany, GA
- Smyrna Therapeutic Massage Program, Smyrna, GA

Mr. Earles reviewed with the Board the topics addressed with Mr. Paul Lindamood, Director of NCBTMB during a scheduled conference call.

**Ms. Phillips motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Massage Therapy School Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Cognizant Report:**

Ms. Lescak updated the Board on all pending complaint cases.

**Complaint/Enforcement Cases Closed:**

- MT37986, MT100038, MT100066, MT100093, MT100098, MT100099, MT100103 and MT100104

**Complaint Cases Referred to the Investigations Division:**

- MT100090, MT100094, MT100095, MT100097 and MT100102
- MT37984- **Ms. Lescak motioned, Mr. Earles seconded, and the Board voted to reopen case and refer it back to Investigations to determine if respondent is in violation of the signed voluntary Cease and Desist order. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Phillips motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Cognizant report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**The following voluntary Cease and Desists Orders were issued following complaints of unlicensed practice:**

1. Xiu Zhen Chen, Duluth, GA
2. Annie Mary Copeland, Marietta, GA
3. Thanom Ratana Kautoug, McDonough, GA
4. Khemika Chanpleng, McDonough, GA

5. Rattanaporn Maliwan, McDonough, GA
6. Phloephit Tonchomphu, McDonough, GA
7. Sommai Truong, McDonough, GA
8. Sripai James, McDonough, GA
9. Duangnet Chow, McDonough, GA
10. Sun C. Mun, Sandy Springs, GA
11. Ra Wolmi, Sandy Springs, GA
12. Mi Young Jeon, Duluth, GA

**Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the list of signed and docketed voluntary Cease and Desist orders as presented above. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Attorney General's Report:**

Assistant Attorney General, Ms. Janet Jackson provided the Board with a status report.

**Ms. Phillips motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented during Executive Session. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Additional Business:**

1. Board voted to conduct a conference call on July 19, 2010 @ 10:00 a.m.

**There being no additional business to discuss, Ms. Phillips motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m.**

**Minutes recorded by:**

Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist

**Minutes reviewed and edited by:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

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Jane H. Johnson, Chair  
Georgia State Board of Massage Therapy

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These minutes were approved on: August 26, 2010