

**GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
August 9, 2012**

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy Board conference call meeting was held Thursday, August 9, 2012, at The Professional Licensing Boards Division offices located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

**The following members were present:**

Jane H. Johnson, Chair  
Kathy Lescak, Vice-Chair  
Jennifer C. Clay  
Freddy Seagraves, Consumer Member

**Absent:**

Denise Taylor

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director  
Stephanie Mason, Assistant Attorney General

**Ms. Johnson established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.**

**Agenda:**

**Ms. Lescak motioned, Mr. Seagraves seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda to include the late agenda items as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Board Chair Report:**

- July 19, 2012 meeting with SOS Investigators, Jane Johnson and AAG Stephanie Mason went well. Discussion centered on what investigators need to look for when investigating unlicensed practice, legitimate places of business, etc... ;
- Reminder of upcoming legislative session and for members to begin thinking of any statutory changes they may wish to discuss;
- Board officers elections at the next (September) Board meeting and the various “roles” members can serve in to assist the Board and get all members involved;
- FSMTB September 27-29, 2012 conference in New Orleans, LA and election of a Board delegate to attend.
- Recommendation made for Jane Johnson to serve as the delegate by Ms. Lescak.

**Ms. Lescak motioned, Mr. Seagraves seconded and the Board voted for Ms. Johnson to attend as the Board delegate. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Lescak motioned, and Mr. Seagraves 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, Lescak, Seagraves, and Clay.**

**At the conclusion of Executive Session on Thursday, August 9, 2012, Ms. Johnson declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.**

**Petition for Variance/Waiver requests:**

- Quintana, LaTosha, Rule 345-4-.02 Continuing Education Hours. Amended.

**Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Clay seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition for variance/waiver request, and to recommend to licensee Inactive status, due to insufficient evidence provided to prove hardship. None opposed, motion granted.**

- Ashmore, Mary, Rule 345-4-.02 Continuing Education Hours. Amended. Correspondence regarding Board’s previous vote to deny petition.

**Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Clay seconded, and the Board voted the original denial stands, and again suggested Inactive Status, due to insufficient evidence provided to prove hardship. None opposed, motion granted.**

**Cognizant Report (Presented by ED Zimmerman):**

Complaint cases closed; no additional actions required:

- MT110078, MT120010, MT120023, MT120034, MT120060, MT120063, MT120064, MT120065, MT120066, MT120068, MT120070, MT120080, MT120081, MT120083

Complaint cases referred to the Attorney General’s Office:

- MT120056, MT120069

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

**Attorney General’s Report:**

Assistant Attorney General, Stephanie Mason provided the Board with a status report which included information on any cases referred for action.

**After an in-depth discussion, Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Clay seconded, and the Board voted to revise the prior Board Ordered Terms and Conditions in their referral to the Attorney General’s Office for a Consent Agreement for Licensure. None opposed, motion carried.**

- P.Y.J.

**Applications:**

Applicants approved for Licensure:

- Griffeth, Bradley
- Seay, Brandon
- Benefield, Deborah

- Stewart, Diane
- Hill, Gregory
- O'Connor, Michael
- Philmon, Amanda
- Lampkin, Qiturah

**Additional Business:**

1. Minutes to reflect the exceptional job done by Ms. Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist, over the past several years since the Boards inception, and wished her good luck in her new position as a Licensure Analyst for HealthCare 1.

**There being no additional business to discuss, Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the conference call meeting at 11:11 a.m.**

**Minutes recorded by:** Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist  
**Minutes reviewed and edited by:** Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

**JANE H. JOHNSON**  
 Chair

**BRIG ZIMMERMAN**  
 Executive Director

These minutes were approved on: November 26, 2012