

**GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**  
**Board Teleconference Minutes**  
**Wednesday, July 20, 2016 - 8:00 a.m.**

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy met on Wednesday, July 20, 2016. The following members were present:

**Board Members Present**

Craig Knowles, Chairperson  
Jennifer Clay, Vice Chair  
Pam Nichols, Board Member

**Administrative Staff Present**

Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist  
Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor

**Board Members Absent**

Trisha Butler, Board Member

**Attorney General's Office**

Betsy Cohen, Assistant Attorney General

**Visitors Present**

No Visitors Present

**Call to Order** Mr. Knowles established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

**Agenda** The Board accepts the agenda as presented.

**Petition for Rule Variance/Waiver Requests**

**1) Stephanie L. Resch BR 345-4-.02(1)(a)**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to table a decision pending receipt of documentation from her physician which substantiates a medical claim. If the documentation is received by August 1, 2016 refer it to the Cognizant for review. If staff does not receive to the requested documentation by August 1, 2016, deny the petition to waive Board Rule 345-4-.02 (1)(a) due to insufficient evidence to substantiate a hardship.

**Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols 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. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Mr. Knowles, Ms. Clay, and Ms. Nichols.**

**At the conclusion of Executive Session on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 Mr. Knowles declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during Executive Session.**

**OPEN SESSION**

**Investigative Interview- J. Clay**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Mr. Knowles seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

1) MT150036 Table a decision pending receipt of a status report from the treating Psychiatrist.

**Discussion Cases- J. Clay**

2) MT140065 and MT150144 Refer the cases back to Investigations to contact the complainants in each case to request additional information concerning the nature of the violation allegedly experienced at the hands of the respondent, hand-serve a subpoena demanding immediate production of a certified copy of the records for both complainants from the respondent and determine if the complainants are willing to testify in a hearing on the matter. Upon receipt of documentation forward the completed investigation to the AG office for review and advice on proceed in this case.

**Adjournment** With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 a.m.

**Minutes recorded by:**  
**Minutes reviewed and edited by:**  
**Minutes approved on:**

Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist  
Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
September 9, 2016

CRAIG KNOWLES  
**BOARD CHAIR**

ADRIENNE PRICE  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**