

GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
Board Meeting Minutes
Professional Licensing Boards
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA
Friday, October 27, 2017 - 9:00 a.m.

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy met on Friday, October 27, 2017. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

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

Administrative Staff Present

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Michelle Foster, Board Support Specialist
Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor

Board Members Absent

None were absent.

Attorney General's Office Present

David Stubins, Sr. Assistant Attorney General

Visitors Present

Judy LeFave, American Massage Therapy Association Georgia Chapter (AMTA-GA)
Margaret Sharenko, Director, Massage Therapy Program, Atlanta School of Massage
Shanese Mark
Felicia Hall
Patricia Mason
Myrna Leonard, Altierus Career College
Che Chinn, Altierus Career College
Yemi Awolola
Larry Paul

Call to Order Mr. Knowles established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Agenda

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the agenda as presented.

Open Session Minutes

1. August 24, 2017 Open Session Minutes

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the August 24, 2017 open session Board meeting minutes as amended.

2. August 31, 2017 Board Teleconference Minutes

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the August 31, 2017 open session Board teleconference minutes as amended for grammatical errors.

Licenses to Ratify August 18, 2017 – October 20, 2017

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to ratify the licenses by application and by reinstatement that were issued in accordance with Board Rules and Policies between Board meetings.

Correspondence – CE Course Approval – Dr. Camden Clay, DC

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify the writer that the course would be accepted on the basis that its content falls within the scope of practice of massage therapy in the state of Georgia.

Correspondence – CE Approval for Structural Energetic Therapy – Don McCann

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify the writer that the course would be accepted by the Board for hands-on CE credit based upon the fact that the course is not classified as a Form under the American Organization for Bodywork Therapies of Asia (AOBTA), that the content is not listed as an exclusion in Board Policy A8 and A9, and that the course meets the scope of practice of massage therapy in the state of Georgia.

Correspondence – CranioSacral Therapy (CST) – Kristen Bloom

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify the writer that the course falls within the exceptions of the law identified in O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-19, thus it does not fall within the scope of massage therapy in the state of Georgia. As such exceptions are identified in the law, they can only be changed by the state legislature. The Board has no authority to repeal, amend, vary or waive the statute.

Correspondence – Approval for CE Courses – Debbie DeNardo

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify the writer that the course, Indian Head Massage, is accepted based on being the manipulation of soft tissue, which falls within the scope of practice of massage therapy in the state of Georgia. Chinese Facial Massage and TMJ Techniques is invalidated because it includes acupressure which is an exception to the scope of massage therapy in the state of Georgia as identified in O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-19; and is not approved by NCBTMB. To be Board approved, the course must fall within the scope of massage therapy practice in the state of Georgia and be approved by NCBTMB. If Chinese Facial Massage is submitted and approved by NCBTMB as a separate course, the Board can accept the course.

Correspondence - Certified Animal Massage Therapist Working Independently without Vet Supervision - Patti Jones

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify the writer that to perform massage therapy in the state of Georgia, you must be a licensed massage therapist or hold another license or registration under Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated under which you are granted the authority to practice massage while engaged in that profession or trade; provided that you do not hold yourself out to be a massage therapist.

Discussion – National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCBTMB)

- 1. Approved Provider Disciplinary Actions by State (09-01-17)**
- 2. Approved Provider Disciplinary Actions by State (10-01-17)**
- 3. Certificant Disciplinary Actions by State (09-01-17)**
- 4. Certificant Disciplinary Actions by State (10-01-17)**
- 5. School Compliance Report (09-01-17)**
- 6. School Compliance Report (10-01-17)**

The Board accepts the correspondence relevant to the September 1, 2017 and October 1, 2017 NCBTMB Approved Provider Disciplinary Actions by State, Certificant Disciplinary Actions by State and the School Compliance Report as information.

Discussion – Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB)

1. Annual Meeting Update – Pam Nichols

Ms. Nichols presented the Board with a report on the FSMTB Annual Meeting that she attended September 28 – 30, 2017. She shared that this was a two-day meeting to discuss issues relevant to the Federation. Ms. Nichols reported that the following topics were discussed during the meeting: a FSMTB handbook relevant to the current issues of human trafficking, Massage Therapy Licensing Database (MTLD), Cease and Desist Orders, an Associates Degree for massage therapists, CE credit for licensees who attend massage therapy Board meetings, ethics courses, a CE registry audit system, raising educational requirements for licensure, and the Model Practice Act. Ms. Nichols also informed the Board that she was nominated for the FSMTB Nominating Committee, which will serve to help choose candidates to fill Board Member positions for FSMTB next year.

Ms. Clay motioned, Mr. Knowles seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the FSMTB Annual Meeting Update.

2. FSMTB Initiates Litigation in Texas

The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to FSMTB Initiates Litigation in Texas as information.

Open Records Request - Judy LeFave

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer to Legal Services to respond to the request by informing the writer that the initial response dated September 7, 2017 that was provided by the Legal Department included instructions whereby the writer may locate the meeting minutes which included non-privileged information relevant to Board discussions about exempted practices. All other discussions took place in Executive Session with attorney client privilege and as a result, the Board has no additional opinions to offer on the subject.

Petition for Rule Waiver

1. Rule Waiver – BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) – Felecia Hall

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the petition to waive BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) based on sufficient evidence to substantiate a unique, substantial hardship.

2. Rule Waiver – BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) – Ebony Wright

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the petition to waive BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) based on sufficient evidence to substantiate a unique, substantial hardship.

Petition for Rule Variance

1. Rule Variance – BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) – Nicholas Omoniyi

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the petition for variance of BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) based on sufficient evidence to substantiate a unique, substantial hardship.

2. Rule Variance – BR 345-8-.03(6)(a) – Parrish Lee

Table for Executive Session discussion.

2018 Massage Therapy Board Meeting Dates

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the 2018 Georgia Board of Massage Therapy meeting dates as posted.

Macon, GA	Friday, February 16, 2018	9:00 a.m.	
Macon, GA	Thursday, March 15, 2018	9:00 a.m.	Public Rules Hearings
Macon, GA	Friday, March 16, 2018	9:00 a.m.	Public Rules Hearings
Macon, GA	Friday, April 27, 2018	9:00 a.m.	
Macon, GA	Friday, June 22, 2018	9:00 a.m.	
Macon, GA	Friday, August 24, 2018	9:00 a.m.	
Macon, GA	Friday, October 26, 2018	9:00 a.m.	
Macon, GA	Friday, December 7, 2018	9:00 a.m.	

Board Member Elections

1. Application Cognizant

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to re-elect Pam Nichols as the Board’s Application Cognizant and Craig Knowles as the Cognizant for transcript review.

Education Report – C. Knowles

1. Faculty Amendments

i) Southern Regional Technical College

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the faculty amendments as presented.

ii) Atlanta School of Massage

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the faculty amendments as presented.

iii) Georgia Career Institute

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the faculty change for Applicant # 2547398 due to a history of deceptive representations to the Board and Applicant # 2551868 due to a failure to meet the requirements of BR 345-4-.02 for license renewal.

iv) The Elaine Sterling Institute – Notice of Addition of Faculty (1)

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the faculty amendments as presented.

v) The Elaine Sterling Institute – Notice of Addition of Faculty (2)

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the faculty amendments as presented.

vi) The Elaine Sterling Institute – Notice of Removal of Faculty

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the faculty amendment as presented.

2. USDOE Notice – International School of Skin, Nailcare & Massage Therapy

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to change the school listing to red on the list of Recognized Massage Therapy Educational Programs Located within the State of Georgia found on the Board website to indicate the recognition status is under review.

3. Request for Reconsideration – Georgia Christian University

Table for Executive Session discussion.

4. Request for Renewal Extension – Ogeechee Technical College

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the request for an extension and notify the school that a renewal application must be submitted.

5. Everest School

i) Everest Norcross

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant recognition status to the massage therapy education program.

ii) Everest Atlanta West

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant recognition status to the massage therapy education program.

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Education Report as presented.

Executive Director’s Report – A. Price

Executive Director’s report presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications, the number of licensees, and complaints/compliance matters. Ms. Price updated the Board on the current status of the renewal audit for CE.

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Executive Director’s Report as presented.

Board’s Chair Report – C. Knowles

Mr. Knowles informed the Board that new Board members should be announced today. Ms. Price stated that the Consumer Board member has been chosen.

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Board Chair’s Report as presented.

Miscellaneous Discussion

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to schedule March 15, 2018 and March 16, 2018 for Public Rules Hearings to begin at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay 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 the Board members: Craig Knowles, Jennifer Clay and Pam Nichols.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session of Friday, October 27, 2017, 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

Executive Discussion

1. Georgia Christian University

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the application for Board recognition status of the massage therapy education program due to a failure to meet faculty requirements as stated in BR 345-8-.02(1).

2. Rule Variance – BR 345-8-.03(6)(a) – Parrish Lee

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition for variance of BR 345-8-.03(a) based on failure to demonstrate a significant, unique, and demonstrable hardship.

Executive Minutes

1. August 31, 2017 Executive Board Teleconference Minutes

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the August 31, 2017 executive session Board teleconference minutes as amended for grammatical errors.

Attorney General’s Report – D. Stubins

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General’s Report as presented.

1. MT150067

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to amend the previous motion and proceed with a hearing for revocation of licensure.

Legal Services

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

1. LEGAL MEMOS

- a) MT170126** Deny the request for reconsideration. Uphold previous motion. Licensee has ten (10) days from receipt of notification to respond to the Board Order. If fail to respond proceed with revocation of the license based on failure to meet qualifications or standards for the issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17.
- b) MT170112** Deny the request for reconsideration. Uphold previous motion. Licensee has ten (10) days from receipt of notification to respond to the Board Order. If fail to respond proceed with revocation of the license based on failure to meet qualifications or standards for the issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17.
- c) MT180071** Rescind the previous motion. Licensee has sixty (60) days from the date of notification to submit proof of completion of the four (4) hands-on CE Courses and hours which meet the requirements set forth in the laws, rules and regulations under which the license was

sought; and a failure to do so, in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations, will result in the revocation of licensure, without a prior hearing, for failure to meet the qualifications or standards for issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17].

- d) **MT180026** Deny the request for reconsideration. Uphold previous motion. Licensee has ten (10) days from receipt of notification to respond to the Board Order. If fail to respond proceed with revocation of the license based on failure to meet qualifications or standards for the issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17].
 - e) **MT170108** Deny the request for reconsideration. Uphold previous motion. Licensee has ten (10) days from receipt of notification to respond to the Board Order. If fail to respond proceed with revocation of the license based on failure to meet qualifications or standards for the issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17].
 - f) **MT180033** Deny the request for reconsideration. Uphold previous motion. Licensee has ten (10) days from receipt of notification to respond to the Board Order. If fail to respond proceed with revocation of the license based on failure to meet qualifications or standards for the issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17].
 - g) **MT180031** Deny the request for reconsideration. Uphold previous motion. Licensee has ten (10) days from receipt of notification to respond to the Board Order. If fail to respond proceed with revocation of the license based on failure to meet qualifications or standards for the issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17].
- 2. **LEGAL MEMO – Applicant 2683500** Rescind previous motion, issue the license and close the case.
 - 3. **LEGAL MEMO – MT17007** Rescind the previous motion. Licensee has sixty (60) days from the date of notification to submit proof of completion of the twelve (12) hands-on CE Courses and hours which meet the requirements set forth in the laws, rules and regulations under which the license was sought; and a failure to do so, in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations, will result in the revocation of licensure, without a prior hearing, for failure to meet the qualifications or standards for issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17].
 - 4. **LEGAL MEMO – MT180036** Rescind previous motion and issue the license.
 - 5. **LEGAL MEMO – MT180028** Rescind previous motion and issue the license.

Cognizant's Report – J. Clay

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

- 1. **MT170021** For Respondent 1, refer to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing for revocation of licensure or a Cease & Desist Order with a fine of \$500 for aiding and abetting unlicensed practice as defined in O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-15. For Respondent 2, refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Cease & Desist Order for unlicensed practice.
- 2. **MT170092** Close the case.
- 3. **MT180083** Mr. Knowles motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer the case to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing for revocation of licensure or voluntary surrender.
- 4. **MT180059** Close the case with a letter of concern for failure to post licenses in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-14.
- 5. **MT180061** Close the case.
- 6. **MT180062** Mr. Knowles motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer the case to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing for revocation of licensure.
- 7. **MT180063** Issue a Letter of Concern to the listed owner. Re-inspect facility after 30 days from receipt of Letter of Concern. If no deficiencies, close the case. If inspection shows violations, proceed with a Public Consent Order for unprofessional conduct.
- 8. **MT180088** Close the case.

Ratification List Orders Issued By Policy

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to ratify the list of Private Consent Agreements issued in accordance with Board rules and policies between meetings as presented.

Referrals to Legal Services for Disciplinary Action List for CC Audit

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

- MT180095** Refer to Legal Services to issue a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 which is to be paid in full prior to October 31, 2018, must submit proof of completion of 24 hours of CE (12 hands-on hours of CE, 12 general) to satisfy the requirements of the renewal cycle ending 10/31/2016 within ninety (90) days of the docket date of the order and CEs taken to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to satisfy CE requirements for the current biennium and flag for audit. Any violation of the order is not a contested case and will result in revocation of the license.
- MT180096** Refer to Legal Services to issue a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 which is to be paid in full prior to October 31, 2018, must submit proof of completion of 12 CE hours to satisfy the requirements of the renewal cycle ending 10/31/2016 within ninety (90) days of the docket date of the order and CEs taken to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to satisfy CE requirements for the current biennium and flag for audit. Any violation of the order is not a contested case and will result in revocation of the license upon substantiation thereof.
- MT180097** Refer to Legal Services to issue a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 which is to be paid in full prior to October 31, 2018, must submit proof of completion of 6 CE hours to satisfy the requirements of the renewal cycle ending 10/31/2016 within ninety (90) days of the docket date of the order and CEs taken to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to satisfy CE requirements for the current biennium and flag for audit. Any violation of the order is not a contested case and will result in revocation of the license upon substantiation thereof.
- MT180098** Refer to Legal Services to issue a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 which is to be paid in full prior to October 31, 2018, must submit proof of completion of 24 CE hours (12 hands-on hours of CE, 12 general) to satisfy the requirements of the renewal cycle ending 10/31/2016 within ninety (90) days of the docket date of the order and CEs taken to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to satisfy CE requirements for the current biennium and flag for audit. Any violation of the order is not a contested case and will result in revocation of the license upon substantiation thereof.
- MT180100** Refer to Legal Services to issue a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 which is to be paid in full prior to October 31, 2018, must submit proof of completion of 24 CE hours (12 hands-on hours of CE, 12 general) to satisfy the requirements of the renewal cycle ending 10/31/2016 within ninety (90) days of the docket date of the order and CEs taken to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to satisfy CE requirements for the current biennium and flag for audit. Any violation of the order is not a contested case and will result in revocation of the license upon substantiation thereof.

Miscellaneous Executive Discussion

1. Request for Release of Transcript Application 2567076

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the release of transcript for Application 2567076.

Applications for Board Review

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in executive session.

- Application 2690219** Rescind previous motion to rescind previous motion to issue the license based upon O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(6).
- Application 2677967** Rescind previous motion to rescind previous motion to issue the license based upon O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(6).

Arrests

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in executive session.

- Application 2640294** Deny based on an incomplete and expired application.
Application 2692479 Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Agreement with a fine of \$500 for false attestation on the application for licensure.

CE Audits

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in executive session.

- MT180010** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 to be paid in full by October 31, 2018 for false attestation on renewal application. CEs submitted to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used for the current biennium and flag for CE audit.
MT180034 Rescind previous motion and refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 to be paid in full by October 31, 2018. Licensee must submit proof of completion of 24 CE hours (12 hours of hands-on CE and 12 hours general CE) in order to satisfy the requirements of the 2014-2016 biennium within 90 days of order docket date. CEs submitted to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used for the current biennium and flag for CE audit.
MT180099 Notify the licensee that he/she has sixty (60) days from the date of notification to submit proof of completion of the CE Courses and hours which meet the requirements set forth in the laws, rules and regulations under which the license was sought; and a failure to do so, in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations, will result in the revocation of licensure, without a prior hearing, for failure to meet the qualifications or standards for issuance of the license [O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(a)(1); 43-24A-14(b-d); § 43-24A-17].

CE Renewals

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendation made in executive session.

- Application 1233393** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order with a fine of \$500 to be paid in full by October 31, 2018. Licensee must submit proof of completion of CE hours in order to satisfy the requirements of the 2014-2016 biennium within 60 days of order docket date. CEs submitted to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used for the current biennium and flag for CE audit.

Reinstatements

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in executive session.

- Application 2676442** Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Agreement with a fine of \$2800 for unlicensed practice from November 1, 2012 – May 26, 2017. Must pass MBLEx prior to May 26, 2018. Refer salon owner to the Attorney General's Office with fine of \$500 for aiding and abetting unlicensed practice and refer to Esthetician Board for aiding and abetting unlicensed practice.
Application 2690967 Deny due to incomplete Application. Applicant must pass the MBLEx in accordance with BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)ii.

Transcript Review

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendation made in executive session.

- Application 2634148** Deny licensure based on failure to complete a board recognized educational program in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6) and Board Rule 345-8-.03.

- Application 2653511** Deny licensure based on failure to complete a board recognized educational program in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6) and Board Rule 345-8-.03.
- Application 2682075** Deny licensure based on failure to complete a board recognized educational program in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6) and Board Rule 345-8-.03.
- Application 2655694** Deny licensure based on failure to complete a board recognized educational program in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6) and Board Rule 345-8-.03.
- Application 2695242** Deny licensure based on failure to complete a board recognized educational program in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6) and Board Rule 345-8-.03 and a failure to submit a valid transcript.
- Application 2670136** Deny licensure based on failure to complete a board recognized educational program in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6) and Board Rule 345-8-.03. Notify applicant that based on information submitted it appears they are engaging in unlicensed practice which is a violation of O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(a) and shall be considered a misdemeanor as cited O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-24(c).

Executive Discussion

1. Everest Atlanta West

Ms. Clay motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to rescind the previous motion regarding Everest Atlanta West and deny the application for Board recognition status of the massage therapy education program based on a failure to meet all of the requirements of Board Rule 345-8-.03.

2. Everest Norcross

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to rescind the previous motion regarding Everest Norcross and deny the application for Board recognition status of the massage therapy education program based on a failure to meet all of the requirements of Board Rule 345-8-.03.

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Clay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify Everest Atlanta West and Everest Norcross that no students currently enrolled or who graduated prior to October 27, 2017 will be eligible for licensure as the applicants will not meet the statutory requirements cited in O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6) and recommend the program notify the students.

Adjournment With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Foster, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor, Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: December 1, 2017

CRAIG KNOWLES

BOARD CHAIR

ADRIENNE PRICE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR