

**GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**  
**Board Zoom Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, January 25, 2021 - 12:00 p.m.**

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy met via Zoom meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021. The following members were present:

**Board Members Present**

Craig Knowles, BAS, LMT, BCTMB, CNMT, Chair  
Pam Nichols, LMT, CNMT, HNC, Vice Chair  
Jane Boyles Curry, Consumer Board Member

**Board Members Absent**

No members absent.

**Visitors Present**

Che Chinn  
Alfred Dingler  
Samantha Yancey  
Leslie Giattina, Atlanta School of Massage  
Bianca Boyce, Atlanta School of Massage  
Charlene Ramos, Atlanta School of Massage  
Nathalie Gregory  
Shanese Mark, Atlanta School of Massage  
Alyssa Lucas

**Administrative Staff Present**

Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist  
Charlotte Mason, Licensing Supervisor  
Meagan Doss, Complaint/Compliance Analyst

**Attorney General's Office Present**

Bryon Thernes, Senior Assistant Attorney General

**Call to Order** Mr. Knowles established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

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

**Open Session Minutes**

**1. December 11, 2020 Board Zoom Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the December 11, 2020 open session Board zoom meeting minutes as presented.

**2. January 15, 2021 Open Session Investigative Committee Zoom Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the January 15, 2021 open session investigative committee zoom meeting minutes as presented.

**Petitions for Rule Waiver**

**1. BR 345-4-02 Jacqueline Padilla MT005719**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petitions to waive BR 345-4-02 based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship. Notify the petitioner that the petition did not specifically state the rule requirement(s) the petitioner was requesting to waive. The Board cannot legally speculate what the petitioner is attempting to convey within a petition. It must be clear.

**2. BR 345-4-05 Jacqueline Padilla MT005719**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition to waive BR 345-4-05 based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship. Notify the petitioner that the petition did not specifically state the rule requirement(s) the petitioner was requesting to waive. The Board cannot legally speculate what the petitioner is attempting to convey within a petition. It must be clear.

**3. BR 345-5-01 Kiyon Kennedy**

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the petition to waive BR 345-5-01 based on sufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

**Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19 (h) and 50-14-2 (1) to receive and review information pertaining to applications, pending cases investigative reports and enforcement matters and to receive the Assistant Attorney General’s report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Craig Knowles, Pam Nichols, and Jane Curry.**

**At the conclusion of Executive Session on Monday, January 25, 2021, 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 Session Minutes**

**1. December 11, 2020 Executive Board Zoom Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the December 11, 2020 executive session Board zoom meeting minutes as presented.

**2. January 15, 2021 Executive Session Investigative Committee Zoom Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the January 15, 2021 executive session investigative committee zoom meeting minutes as presented.

**Legal Services MEMO – Case for Ratification – MT210078**

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the order upon receipt.

**Miscellaneous Executive Discussion – MT190120**

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to rescind the previous motion and refer to the Attorney General’s Office for a Public Consent Order lifting suspension with terms and conditions as discussed.

**Adjournment** With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

**Minutes recorded by:** Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist  
**Minutes reviewed and edited by:** Charlotte Mason, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
**Minutes approved on:** 02-19-2021

**CRAIG KNOWLES**  
**BOARD CHAIR**

**ADRIENNE PRICE**  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**