

**GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
Board WebEx Open Session Meeting Minutes
Friday, June 12, 2026 - 9:00 a.m.**

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy met via WebEx on Friday, June 12, 2026. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

Pam Nichols, LMT, CNMT, HNC, Vice Chair
Jane Boyles Curry, Consumer Board Member
Tiffany Henderson, LMT, Board Member

Board Members Absent

Craig Knowles, BAS, LMT, BCTMB, CNMT, Chair

Visitors Present

Travis Bray, Jr.
Cynthia Garrett
Kelly
James Garner
Seth Dinkel, Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB)
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Kelly Knoicki
Vivian Davis
Melanie Hood

Administrative Staff Present

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor
Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Demetrice Byron, Licensing Analyst
LaTavia Bearden, Complaint/Compliance Analyst

Attorney General's Office Present

Michelle Sawyer, Senior Assistant Attorney General

Call to Order Ms. Nichols established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

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

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion 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: Pam Nichols, Jane Curry, and Tiffany Henderson.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, June 12, 2026, Ms. Nichols 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

Scheduled Personal Appearances

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

9:30 am Applicant 4209643

Uphold the previous motion. Respondent must respond within thirty (30) days of notice of the decision. If fails to respond, refer to the Attorney General's Office for Revocation of Licensure based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c).

10:00 am Applicant 4170252

Uphold the previous motion. Respondent must respond within thirty (30) days of notice of the decision. If fails to respond, refer to the Attorney General's Office for Revocation of Licensure based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c).

Executive Session Minutes

- 1. April 10, 2026 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**
- 2. May 18, 2026 Executive Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the April 10, 2026, Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, and the May 18, 2026, Executive Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Attorney General's Report – M. Sawyer

1. AG NOTE - Texas Human Trafficking Statute

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer statute OCC § 455.252. Emergency Order from the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation to the Board of the American Massage Therapy Association, Georgia Chapter, to request they consider proposing similar legislation to the Georgia General Assembly to grant authority to the Board, Division Director, and/or agents of the Board to issue Executive Orders to close schools and massage businesses upon finding that the school and massage establishment engaged in serious violations of law and rule, including but not limited to fraud, falsification of records, or conduct that compromised the integrity of the licensure and examination processes.

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

Legal Services MEMO

1. Cases for Ratification

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following orders as received.

- a) MT260143**
- b) MT260221**
- c) MT260070**
- d) MT260174**
- e) MT260226**
- f) MT260120**
- g) MT260061**
- h) MT260287**
- i) MT260242**
- j) MT260181**

2. Request for Reconsideration – MT250337

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to rescind the previous motion and refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on false attestation as to maintaining insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine to be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Must provide current COI upon signing the order before license can be renewed.

3. Requests for Withdrawal of Application

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

- a) MT260231**
- b) MT260178**
- c) MT260011**
- d) MT250198**

Grant request to withdraw the application and notify the Respondent that if attempts to reinstate, must satisfy the conditions set forth in the originating order before reinstatement will be considered.

4. Cases for Closure Due to Unresponsiveness

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

- a) MT260038**

Refer to Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine to be paid within 90 days of order docket date. Flag for Audit. If fails to agree to the terms, proceed to hearing for Revocation of Licensure.

- b) MT260173**

Refer to Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine to be paid within 90 days of order docket date. Flag for Audit. If fails to agree to the terms, proceed to hearing for Revocation of Licensure.

Investigative Committee Summary Report – P. Nichols

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept and ratify the Investigative Committee Summary Report as presented.

- MT250219** Merge Participants from this case to MT250290 and close the case.
- MT250290** Refer to the Attorney General's Office to issue a Cease-and-Desist Order to Respondents 2 and 3. Schedule an Investigative Interview with Respondent 4. Send notification to the city municipality regarding the violation of O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(c) to include the establishment toolkit.
- MT260262** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order with a reprimand for violations of BR 345-10-.01(4) and 345-10-.04(3)(a) with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.
- MT260263** Send notification to the city municipality regarding the violation of O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(c) and close the case, insufficient evidence to substantiate the allegations.

- MT260268** Close the case due to insufficient evidence to substantiate a violation.
- MT260270** Refer Respondent 3 to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order with a Public Reprimand based on aiding and abetting unlicensed practice with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.
- MT260271** Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Cease-and-Desist Order for Respondents 1 and 2. Send notification to the city municipality regarding the violation of [O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(c)] to include the establishment toolkit.
- MT220078** Refer to the Georgia Board of Cosmetology and Barbers based on allegations of operating an unlicensed salon, refer Complainant to the City Municipality and/or legal counsel for civil remedies and refer to Investigations to conduct a site inspection based on allegations of Respondent 1 Facility continuing to aid and abet unlicensed practice.

Cognizant Ratification List

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to ratify the Cognizant Ratification Report as presented.

- Applicant 4603435** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Reinstatement of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on unlicensed practice from December 2024-present. Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be reinstated. Flag for audit.

Miscellaneous Executive Discussion

- MT260326** It was the consensus of the Board to table pending additional investigation.

Applications for Board Review

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

APPEAL on DENIAL

- Applicant 4413331** Uphold previous motion to deny based on failure to meet education requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6), BR 345-08-.01].

INITIAL APPLICATIONS

Arrest

- Applicant 4497391** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on failure to disclose and false attestation in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19(a)(2)(6). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Transcript Review

- Applicant 4584265** Deny based on failure to meet education requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6), BR 345-08-.01].
- Applicant 4375235** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for unlicensed practice with a fine of \$1000 based on practicing without a valid massage therapy license issued by the Georgia Board of Massage Therapy [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-16, BR 345-6-.01(2)(a), BR 345-10-.04]. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4624513	Deny based on failure to meet education requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6), BR 345-08-.01].
Applicant 4676384	Deny based on failure to meet education requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6), BR 345-08-.01].
Applicant 4637205	Deny based on failure to meet educational requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6), BR 345-08-.03(6)].
Applicant 4633000	Deny based on failure to meet educational requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(b)(6), BR 345-08-.03(6)].

MASSAGE THERAPY EDUCATION PROGRAM

Applicant 4708909	Ratify the Cognizant decision to accept the change in ownership.
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REINSTATEMENTS

Applicant 4613785	Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Reinstatement of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on unlicensed practice from 11/30/24-February 2025 [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-16, BR 345-6-.01(2)(a), BR 345-10-.04]. Fine must be paid prior to reinstatement of license. Flag for Audit.
Applicant 4563904	Table pending additional information.

RENEWALS

Arrests / Sanctions

Applicant 4198823	Renew with a letter of concern regarding arrest.
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CE Audit

Applicant 4181388	Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on an failure to meet CE requirements in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b), and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must submit proof of completing one (1) hour of Board approved CE and proof of current professional liability insurance upon signing the order before license may be renewed. CE submitted to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for renewal for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for audit. If fails to agree to the terms of the order proceed to hearing for Revocation of Licensure.
Applicant 4182827	Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full within 90 days of order docket date. Flag for Audit.
Applicant 4187853	Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$2000 based on false attestation regarding professional liability insurance, failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c), false attestation regarding continuing education and failure to meet CE requirements in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before license may be renewed.

Twelve (12) hours general Board approved CE due within 90 days of the order docket date, and the fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. CE taken to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4185458 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1500 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c), and failure to meet CE requirements within the biennium in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4186310 Refer to the Attorney General's Office for Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1650 based on false attestation regarding CE in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b), and failure to report CE in CE Broker as required; failure to maintain proof of professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c), and failure to maintain a current address of record with the Board. Must complete 24 hours of Board approved CE, 12 of which must be hands-on, due within 90 days of the order docket date. CE taken to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for license renewal for the biennium ending October 31, 2026 or October 31, 2028. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for audit. If fails to agree to the terms, proceed to hearing for Revocation of Licensure.

Applicant 4171156 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$2000 based on false attestation, and failure to complete CE requirements within the biennium in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b); and false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must submit 12 hours of Board approved hands-on CE due within 90 days of the order docket date. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4172261 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1500 based on false attestation regarding CE and failure to complete CE requirements within the biennium false attestation regarding CE in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b); and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must submit 12 hours of Board approved hands-on CE due within 90 days of the order docket date. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026, and must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4185080 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1500 based on failure to complete CE requirements within the biennium in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b); false attestation, and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must submit 12 hours of Board approved hands-on CE, due within 90 days of the order docket date. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4187247 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1500 based on false attestation regarding CE, failure to complete CE requirements within the biennium, and false attestation regarding continuing education in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b); and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must submit 24 hours of Board approved CE, 12 of which must be hands-on. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. CE must be completed within 90 days of the order docket date. Must submit a copy of a secure and verifiable document and proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

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Applicant 4188299 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4188221 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4178263 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4183775 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full within 90 days of order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4195291 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1,000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4186581 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1,000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4198673 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of

professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4205090 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on failure to complete CE requirements within the biennium in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-20(a)(b); and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). CE completed in 2026 to fulfill CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2024, may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4203570 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4188170 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$2000 based on false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c); false attestation and failure to complete CE requirements within the biennium. Must provide 24 hours of Board approved CE, 12 of which must be hands-on. CE must be completed within 90 days of the order docket date. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2026. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4169553 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full within 90 days of order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4187518 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full within 90 days of order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4187948 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$500 based on failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of professional liability insurance upon signing the order before the license may be renewed. If certified letter is returned as undeliverable, add \$150 fine for failure to maintain valid address. Fine must be paid in full within 90 days of order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Petition meeting for Friday, July 17th at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to schedule a Board meeting via WebEx on Friday, July 17, 2026 to begin at 9:00 a.m. and move the scheduled Investigative Committee WebEx meeting to 9:30 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Open Session Minutes

- 1. April 10, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**
- 2. May 18, 2026 Open Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the April 10, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the May 18, 2026 Open Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Licenses to Ratify: April 3, 2026 – June 4, 2026

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry 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.

Discussion – Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB) – 2026 Annual Meeting – Register Now

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion for Pam Nichols to attend the 2026 FSMTB Annual Meeting as the Board delegate and Tiffany Henderson, as the alternate delegate.

The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to FSMTB, as information.

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

- 1. 05-01-26 Approved Provider Disciplinary Actions by State**
- 2. 05-01-26 Certificant Disciplinary Actions by State**
- 3. 06-01-26 Approved Provider Disciplinary Actions by State**
- 4. 06-01-26 Certificant Disciplinary Actions by State**

The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to NCBTMB, as information.

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to table additional Board Rules review pending the Governor's Supervision Certificates on the pending Rules Chapter before making any changes to the national certifying body for approved schools.

Petitions for Rule Waiver

1. BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii)_Misty La Ree Sargent

- a) Public Comment for Misty Sargent from Rebecca Gurle, MT012028

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition to waive BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

2. BR 345-4-.05(2)(cii)_Kristen Sheree Graham

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition to waive BR 345-4-.05(2)(c)(ii) based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

Petitions for Rule Variance

1. BR 345-5-.01_Stephanie Stewart

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition for variance of BR 345-5-.01 based on based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

2. BR 345-4-.01_Elisa P Boyd_MT014240

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition for variance of BR 345-4-.01 based on based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

3. BR 345-4-.02_Jesse Dodd

- i. Public Comment for Jesse Dodd from Melinda Barrineau
- ii. Public Comment for Jesse Dodd from Yelena Ibragimova
- iii. Public Comment for Jesse Dodd from Naomi Smith

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Henderson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition for variance of BR 345-4-.02 based on based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

Executive Director's Report – A. Price

The Executive Director's Report presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications, the number of licensees, to include massage therapy programs, Board meeting statistics, and complaints/compliance matters. In addition, the report addressed the following topic of interest with the Board:

- MTLD
- Jurisprudence Requirement for MT Board
- PLB Updates

Ms. Henderson motioned, Ms. Curry 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

No official report presented.

Adjournment With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: August 7, 2026

CRAIG KNOWLES
BOARD CHAIR

ADRIENNE PRICE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF BIBB

**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF
PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 *et seq.*, requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now Pam Nichols the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia Massage Therapy Board.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On June 12, 2026 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:
O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h)
5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:
To deliberate applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT

Pam Nichols
Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 19 day of June

2026

Jamie Patel
Notary Public

