



## ALABAMA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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### **MINUTES Board Meeting Friday, April 22, 2005**

The Alabama Board of Massage Therapy met Friday, April 22, 2005 at the Board office, located at 610 South McDonough Street, Montgomery, Alabama, in order to conduct business. The following Board members were in attendance: Ms. Tammie Friedrichs (Chair), Mr. B. Hal Richardson (Vice-Chair), Ms. Cynthia Harris, Mr. Arnold Askew, and Ms. April Henderson. Also in attendance were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Director), Ms. Arwen Freeman (Executive Assistant), Ms. Mary Windom (Board Counsel), and Mr. Mike James (Board Investigator). The meeting was called to order at 10:05am. The following members were not in attendance, Mr. Tommy O'Brien, and Ms. Judy White.

Mr. Keith Warren administered the oath of offices to, Ms. Tammie Friedrichs, Mr. Hal Richardson, and Ms. April Henderson.

The minutes from the March 18, 2005 meeting were presented. Mr. Hal Richardson made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnold Askew, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Hal Richardson made a motion to submit proposed statute changes to the legislature to designate of the 650 hours of education required, 400 hours must be basic massage therapy, 140 hours of anatomy and physiology, of that, 40 hours must be pathology (as per the new national standards of the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork), and 110 hours of electives to be determined by the school. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cynthia Harris, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Hal Richardson made a motion to amend 532-x-3-.05 adding subsection II to add the guidelines for supervised student clinicals to be presented to the administrative procedures office. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnold Askew, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Cynthia Harris made a motion to amend 532-x-7 to add .02 to be "Guide for Professional Conduct", and to also give Mr. Warren and Ms. Windom the authority to change the format of the "Guide for Professional Conduct" into rule and regulations

Mr. Arnold Askew made a motion to add proposed changes to section 34-43-20 (c) (3) to change two years documented experience to be four years documented experience, to be submitted at the next legislative session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hal Richardson, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Arnold Askew made a motion to submit to the legislature the proposed changes to 34-43-7 (b) (5) to provide for the inspection of establishments and schools during normal business hours. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cynthia Harris, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Hal Richardson made a motion to require establishments requesting exemptions from obtaining an establishment license to submit a sworn and notarized statement explaining the reason for the request, and for the establishment to provide the Board with the names and license numbers of all therapists performing work at that establishment. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cynthia Harris, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Board with new applications.

Mr. Hal Richardson made a motion to approve the applications as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnold Askew, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Cynthia Harris made a motion to approve Mr. Askew's out of State Travel to the ABMP sponsored conference to initiate the establishment of a Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards on May 11-12 in Denver, CO. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hal Richardson, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Hal Richardson made a motion to approve an instructor's license for Mr. Jeffrey Penton. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnold Askew, and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no further business Mr. Hal Richardson made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnold Askew, and unanimously approved by the Board. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tammie Friedrichs, Chair



Keith E. Warren, Executive Director