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This is a brief & partial overview of public proceedings during the Regular Meeting of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy (NSBMT) regarding the NSBMT's actions that affect its licensees, the profession of massage therapy, reflexology, and structural integration, and the Public in Nevada. Items are reported on in the order of the Agenda, but may have been addressed out of this order. Specific information regarding Disciplinary hearings and/or Items and Public Comment may not be a part of this report.

*All supporting and referred-to Documents are attached to these AMTA-NV Chapter Notes as they were published on the NSBMT's website as of 6/8/2022.*

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Meeting Agenda: Attached; Available Online: [Meeting Attachments](#)

Locations of Meeting: see attached NSBMT Agenda

Date of NSBMT Meeting: 6/8/2022

Meeting Start Time: 9:00am

Item #1: Called to order and Board Members Roll-called.

Item #2: Introduced.

Item #3: No Public Comment.

Item #4: 2 public comments.

Item #5: Board previously approved, due to "missed step" board needs to re-approve. The Jurisprudence exam for license renewal is not intended to be pass/fail, but to help licensees understand regulations in their profession...possibly 20-25 questions, but has not been developed yet. Bianca Smith Moved to adopt LCB File No. R128-20 as drafted, Rick Fields Seconded - unanimously Approved.  
Liz Barnard Motioned to amend prior Motion to Approve and Amend Section 4 & Section 29, Subsection 12 of the regulation to add "an exam administered by NSBMT or administered by FSMTB or its successors" Section 29, Subsection 12 changing the fee to "\$40". Bianca Seconded - unanimously Approved.

Item #18: Items a, b, c, e, f, g, h - Rick Fields Motioned, Bianca Smith Seconded - unanimously Approved.

Item "d" removed by Bianca Smith - Wanted to acknowledge the necessary change and to make sure compliant. Bianca Smith Motioned, Lorna Benedict Seconded - unanimously Approved.

- Item #19: Inspections need an extra person due to the intensive labor aspect. Outcall inspections have been added now that Zoom is available. Maximum salary package would be \$70,982.15. Also to include a 1 step increase for employees who are not maxed out, instead of a cost-of-living increase.
- Item #20: Up to 5200 licensees. Numbers looking positive for 2024. California will not be participating in the compact. If everything is approved as projected, California certification (CAMTC) will have another sunset review in 4 years. Bianca Smith Motioned to Approve for 2024 fiscal year.
- Item #21: No comments.
- Item #22: a. i. Total # of licenses: 5116. Numbers close to before pandemic. New licenses issued in May: 29 issued. 187 in the last 5 months.  
ii. About 90% done with outcalls. Not much has changed with investigations. 20 open, down to 16.  
c. cash reserves-weathered another slow year. June is the peak month.
- Item #23: No action taken. Budget could be spent elsewhere. Something of more importance/beneficial to the board. Steep in price and no remote option.
- Item #24: Sandy Anderson shared and made public comments about the national compact as an individual licensee. August meeting going to take action in regards to the national compact.
- Item #25: Considered the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards as the sole provider for the jurisprudence exam. In charge of the tracking, pass scores, reports, price, study course. Executive Director Sandy Anderson in favor of an online exam. Exam with 50 questions, \$40. Benefits: offers therapists the opportunity to be well informed of NV statutes and laws. Tabled discussion on item #25.  
Liz Barnard Motioned to rescind the action taken earlier adopting LCB File No. R128-20 (agenda item #5) Bianca Smith seconded - unanimously Approved.
- Item #26: Rick Fields thanked everyone - his last day on the Board.
- Item #27: Possible regulation changes; Board connection; Review NSBMT website - renewal form.
- Item #28: No public Comment.
- Item #29: Adjourned at 3:01 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth Benion & Alexandria Robertson, Members - Government Relations Committee

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## Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy

\*\*\*NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING\*\*\*

### MEETING AGENDA

#### LOCATIONS:

This meeting of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy will take place online via Zoom and is available via telephone. Persons wishing to participate in the meeting may connect to the meeting through the link below or telephone numbers below. Persons wishing to provide public comment during the meeting may use the links below and at the appropriate time, the Board Chair will call on persons wishing to make public comment.

Virtual access available by registering for this meeting online:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86823524551?pwd=ZkJLeWhDRWs0QWNYSWZvRm5tY0w5dz09>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Meeting ID 868 2352 4551  
Password 854386  
SIP [86823524551@zoomcrc.com](mailto:86823524551@zoomcrc.com)

Telephonic access to this meeting available by dialing the number below based on the location closest to participant.

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+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)  
+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)  
+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)  
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

**DATES AND TIMES: June 8, 2022, commencing at 9:00 a.m.**

**Zoom sign-in available at 8:30 a.m.**

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### AGENDA

**Please Note:** The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may: 1) take agenda items out of order; 2) combine two or more items for consideration; or 3) remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion related to an item at any time. Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate individuals with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting. Please contact Sandy Anderson at 775.687.9951 ([sjanderson@lmt.nv.gov](mailto:sjanderson@lmt.nv.gov)), in advance, so that arrangements may be made. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and the end of the meeting. The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person (NRS 241.030).

Public Comment Agenda Item: There is a time designated at the beginning of the meeting and the end of the meeting for Public Comment. Members of the general public may bring matters not appearing on this Agenda to the attention of the Board or make comment on specific agenda items. Public comment may also be taken at other such times as requested as long as the request for public comment will not interrupt ongoing Board business. The Board may discuss the matters not on the agenda but may not act on the matters at this meeting. If the Board desires, the matters may be placed on a future Agenda for action. In consideration of others who may also wish to provide public comment, please avoid repetition. The Board limits public comment to three (3) minutes.

**Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment (see NRS 233B.126).** Please be aware that after the quasi-judicial Board has rendered a decision in the contested case and, assuming this happens before adjournment, the Board may entertain public comment on the proceeding at that time.

1. Call to order and roll call of Board Members.
2. Mission Statement of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy – To protect the public health, safety, and welfare through effective massage therapy regulation. Insuring that qualified, competent, ethical practitioners are licensed.
3. Public comment – Members of the public who wish to participate in a public meeting may do so by providing public comment during the two designated public comment periods. Additionally, public comment options may include, without limitation, telephonic or email comment. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting. The Board will not restrict comments based on viewpoint. The opportunity for public comment will be available at the beginning and ending of the meeting. (Discussion Only)
4. Public Hearing for LCB File No. R128-20 (For Discussion)
5. Deliberation of public comment, discussion, and possible adoption of LCB File No. R128-20. (For Possible Action)
6. Application Review. (The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person.) (For Possible Action)
  - a. Review Application James M. Ferguson. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  - b. Review Application Kris Wang. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

- c. Review Application Lei Wang. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  - d. Review Application Meaghan M. Williams. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
7. Dismissal of formal hearings for failure to respond to the Board’s Inspection Team regarding outcall sanitation inspection compliance. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
    - a. Formal Hearing Jennifer A. Denney License Number NVMT.5648 – Case Number NVMT-OC-22011. (For Discussion and possible Action)
    - b. Formal Hearing Juan Zhu License Number NVMT.8545 – Case Number NVMT-OC-22044. (For Discussion and possible Action)
    - c. Formal Hearing Sonja M. Ramirez License Number NVMT.7655 – Case Number NVMT-OC-22028. (For Discussion and possible Action)
    - d. Formal Hearing Deanna P. Reynolds License Number NVMT.8801 – Case Number NVMT-OC-22029. (For Discussion and possible Action)
  8. Dismissal of Complaint Notice of Hearing John Thorp License Number NVMT.3262 – Case Number NVMT-C-2062. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  9. Formal Hearing Astoria Shi also known as Guangyi Shi NVMT.8891 – Case Number NVMT-C-21011. (For Discussion and Possible Action).
  10. Formal Hearing Hongying Xu-Rode License Number NVMT.8379 – Case Number NVMT-OC-22040. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  11. Formal Hearing Arnel C. Tomas NVMT.8186 – Case Number NVMT-C-1882. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  12. Formal Hearing Arian Flores-Rivero NVMT.9899 – Case Number NVMT-C-22002. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  13. Formal Hearing Hong “Mi” Guo NVMT.343 – Case Number NVMT-C-22003. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  14. Formal Hearing Hong Lu NVRF.0112 – Case Number NVMT-C-22005. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  15. Reconsideration of Hearing for Hongyan Chen License Number NVMT.9946 – Case Number NVMT-C-21073. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  16. Reconsideration of the Imposition of Fines and Costs for Case Number NVMT-C-1956 for Xiaomei Shen. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  17. Petition for reconsideration of Order for Michael W. Jackson License Number NVMT.4748 – Case Number NVMT-C-21079. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

***Consent agenda items are shown in italics. The Consent Agenda contains matters of routine acceptance. The Board members may approve the consent agenda items as written or, at their discretion, may address individual items for discussion or revisions.***

18. *Consent Agenda Items – Board members may choose to request any item listed below be pulled for discussion and possible action. Any items not pulled may be approved in a single motion to approve the consent agenda excluding pulled items. (For Discussion and Possible Action)*
  - a. *Approval of applications approved and authorized by the Chairperson through April 30, 2022 (see Exhibit A). (For Possible Action)*
  - b. *Discussion and possible action regarding review and acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget verses Actual through April 30, 2022. (For Possible Action)*
  - c. *Discussion and possible action regarding updating the Board’s Compensation schedules to implement the planned 3% cost of living increase. (For Possible Action)*
  - d. *Discussion, amend, and approve Policy 10.5.1 Job Description Executive Director to increase salary by 3% cost-of-living adjustment. (For Possible Action)*
  - e. *Discuss, amend, and approve Board meeting minutes for March 30, 2022. (For Possible Action)*
  - f. *Discuss, amend, and approve Board meeting minutes for closed session of item 4.c. on March 30, 2022. (For Possible Action)*
  - g. *Discuss, amend, and approve Board meeting minutes for closed session of item 4.j. on March 30, 2022. (For Possible Action)*
  - h. *Discussion and possible action regarding meeting dates for calendar year 2023 and January of 2024 including but not limited to January 11, March 22, June 7, August 9, October 25, and January 10, 2024. (For Possible Action)*
19. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of amendments to the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget including increasing the cost-of-living adjustment from 3% for staff members not previously topped out to 1 step increase and amending the budget to increase staffing by one full-time employee. (For Discussion and Possible Action).
20. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
21. Board Counsel report. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  - a. General topics and training provided by Deputies Attorney General.
  - b. General topics and training provided by Board Counsel Colleen Platt.
22. Executive Director Report including but not limited to (For Discussion)
  - a. Strategic Plan Key Indicators
    - i. Licensure and renewals
    - ii. Inspection Team calendar year-to-date key indicators
    - iii. Complaints and investigations calendar year-to-date key indicators
  - b. Other topics
  - c. Financials, cash reserves, and anticipated upcoming expenditures
23. Discussion and possible action regarding attending FARB 2022 Innovation in Regulation Conference July 21-22, 2022, in Washington, DC at a cost of \$1,800 to \$2,500 per attendee. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

24. Discussion and possible action regarding the status of a potential national compact for massage therapy. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  25. Discussion and possible action regarding jurisprudence exam and possible option of having the jurisprudence exam hosted by Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards. (For Discussion and Possible Action)
  26. Other topics.
  27. Discussion regarding recommended future agenda items. (For Discussion)
  28. Public comment.
  29. Adjournment
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#### Notices:

Items may be combined for consideration by the board. Items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and at the end of the meeting. Regarding public comment, no vote may be taken upon a matter raised under this agenda item until the matter itself has been specifically included on a future agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020). The Chair may allow comment on individual agenda items at her discretion. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Board or to aid the efficiency or effectiveness of the meeting. Interested persons may present oral and/or written comments at the time and place of the meeting, or written comments may be sent no later than **Tuesday, June 7, 2022**, to the following address: **Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy, 1755 E. Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502. Supporting materials are available on the Board's website [http://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board\\_Meetings/Meetings/](http://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board_Meetings/Meetings/) or by contacting **Sandy Anderson at 775.687.9951 or [sjanderson@lmt.nv.gov](mailto:sjanderson@lmt.nv.gov) or 1755 E Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502.** Documents provided to Board members during the meeting will be posted on the website after the meeting.**

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