

State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners OPEN SESSION AGENDA

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Wednesday, February 26, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. 4201 Patterson Avenue, Room 110, Baltimore, MD 21215

HybridCALL IN NUMBER AND PIN:

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BOMTE: Mission: "The Mission of the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners is to regulate the practice of massage therapy to ensure standards of competency, protect public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Maryland."

Pursuant to COMAR 10.01.14.02.B: "Except in instances when a public body expressly invites public testimony, questions, comments, or other forms of public participation, or when public participation is otherwise authorized by law, a member of the public attending an open session may not participate in the session."

1. CALL TO ORDER BY BOARD CHAIR

2. MEETING OPENING

2.1. Roll Call of Board Members

Board Staff

☐ Stephen Conti, LMT, Board Chair	☐ Sharon J. Oliver, MBA, Executive Director
☐ Sabrina Lopez, LMT, Vice-Chair	☐ Tony DeFranco, AAG, Board Counsel
☐ Eduardo Souza, LMT, Secretary/Treasurer	☐ Charlene Faison, MFA, Licensing Unit Manager
☐ Kirsten Bodnarchuk, LMT, Board Member	☐ Clarine Henderson, Investigator Supervisor
☐ Rebakah Jones, LMT, Board Member	☐ Kimmya Crawford, Investigator
☐ Margaret Hayes, MS, Consumer Board Member	☐ Nathan Mitchell, IT Programmer
☐ Ismael Canales, Consumer Member	☐ Corinne Leith, Massage Licensing Coordinator
	☐ Pamela Alston, Administrative Specialist

- 2.2. Board Chair's Opening Remarks and Reading of the Board's Mission
- 2.3. Review/Approval of Open Session Agenda
- 2.4. Review/Approval of the Open Session Minutes for January 22, 2025

3. REPORTS & MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

- **3.1. Board Chair's Report(s)** (Stephen Conti, LMT)
 - 3.1.1. Massage School Engagement Letter
 - 3.1.2. TBD

3.2. Executive Director's Report – (Sharon J. Oliver, MBA)

- 3.2.1. YTD Financial Position
- 3.2.2. Funds Balance Transfer to the Behavioral Health Administration FY2026 Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act.

3.2.3. 2024 Financial Disclosure Filing due April 30, 2025

3.3. Licensing Unit Report – (*Charlene Faison, MFA*)

3.3.1. Current Licensing Information

Active Licensees / Registrants as of February 19, 2025

		Prior	Current	
		Period	Period	
Category	Status	Reporting	Reporting	Change
Licensed Massage Therapist	Active	2231	2258	+27
Licensed Massage Therapist	Inactive	209	209	-
Registered Massage Practitioner	Active	1167	1167	-
Registered Massage Practitioner	Inactive	106	104	-2

3.4. Committee Reports

- 3.4.1. Advisory Committee (Sabrina Lopez, LMT)
 - Legislative Bills of Interest
 - ➤ Sunset Bills SB217/HB256-Passed by in their respective chambers and cross over.
 - ➤ SB321/HB352 Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2025 (Pages 131-132) Informational only.
 - ➤ SB0458 Health Occupations Structural Racism Training No position
 - ➤ HB482 Occupational Licensing and Certification Criminal History Predetermination Review Process No position
 - ➤ HB1012 Massage Therapy Continuing Education Requirements AMTA bill. Opposed.
 - ➤ HB1240 Health Care Providers and Health Insurance Carriers Use of Artificial Intelligence in Health Care Decision Making No position
 - ➤ HB1340 Health Care Prior Authorizations Prohibiting Fees and Use of Artificial 2 Intelligence No position.
- 3.4.2. CEU Committee (Stephen Conti, LMT)
 - TBD
- 3.4.3. Licensing Committee (Stephen Conti, LMT)
 - TBD
- 3.4.4. Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee (Margaret Hayes, MS)
 - Bylaws Revisions
- 3.4.5. Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee (Margaret Hayes, MS)
 - TBD

4. MATTERS FOR NOTATION

- **4.1. Actions from January 22, 2025, Closed Session.** The Board did not conduct a Closed Session.
- 4.2. Ratification of Board Issued Licenses (LMTs)



JANUARY 2025

LMTs

		ORIGINAL
LICENSE		LICENSE
NUMBER	NAME	DATE
M06795	ZHAO, YANLIN	01/02/2025
M06798	TERRY, LILY	01/09/2025
M06799	GOODE, MAYA S.	01/14/2025
M06800	GAUMER, JAMES W.	01/15/2025
M06801	KLINGER, SHIRA I.F.	01/23/2025
M06802	GROW, CHRISTINA B.	01/27/2025
M06804	SANTOS, TONYA S.	01/28/2025
M06805	BAIRD, CHRISTINA A.	01/30/2025
M06806	LANE, ALEXANDER M.	01/30/2025
M06808	ZHANG, CONGHAO	01/31/2025

Total 10

RMP to LMT Conversion

LICENSE		ORIGINAL LICENSE
Number	NAME	DATE
M06796	FRANZ, ERIKA T.	10/19/2023
M06797	PARKER, JR, RONNIE E.	09/02/2009
M06803	ARENA, HEATHER L.	04/18/2008
M06807	DEANGELIS, CONSTANCE A.	03/12/2024

Total 4

5. MEETING FINALIZATION

- **5.1. Review actions to be taken:** None.
- 5.2. Next meeting March 26, 2025, at 10:00 am (Virtual).

6. MEETING ADJOURNED

Pursuant to the Maryland Statutory Code and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the administrative session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matter,s and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.

