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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	**Board of Massage and Bodywork**
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	**Thursday,** March 15, 2018, 1:30pm
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware **Conference Room B,** Second Floor, Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	**April 19, 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathy Sherwin, Public Member, Secretary
Frank Beebe, Public Member
Holly Overmyer, Professional Member
Sandra Jachimowski, Professional Member
Ethel Loesche, Public Member
Danielle DiFonzo, President

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jermaine Cannon, Vice President

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL/COURT REPORTER

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
Gina A. Bloom, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

John Spina, Academy of Massage and Bodywork
Jeremy Dickerson, Alura Spa
Videll Whong, Videll's Day Spa

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. DiFonzo called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Ms. Sherwin made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Beebe and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Continuing Education

Ms. Jachimowski motioned to approve continuing education courses offered by Pike Creek Reiki and Healing Arts Center, Jodi Johnson and Tranquil Spirit. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sherwin and carried.

Ratification of Massage Technician Certifications

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Jachimowski, to approve the ratification of the following applications:

Darnell Hammond
Shammond Crawford
Frank Lee
Morgan Smith
James Brittingham

The motion carried.

Ratification of License Massage Therapists

None

Review of Applications

None

Miscellaneous Review and Discussion

Administrative Specialist III, Christine Mast, discussed with the Board the importance of verifying documents as being legitimate prior to issuing licenses in-house and the need for the Board to agree upon a common method of acceptability to approve and license applicants. She further advised the Board that DPR does not have to room to house school catalogues for each and every applicant and for all Massage and Bodywork Schools in the country. The Board discussed changing Statute/Regulation language to reflect school accreditation with several Massage and Bodywork professional organizations in efforts to verify legitimate vocational schools and simplify the in-house approval process. DAG Kelly advised the Board that she will work on this change.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Spina from the Academy of Massage and Bodywork addressed the Board stating that it was cumbersome for his school to provide every student with a school catalogue and a copy of the school's accreditation certificate so that they might obtain licensure with DPR. DAG Kelly responded to Mr. Spina that the Board would take his comments under advisement.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Overmyer, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting went off record and adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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