MINUTES
BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

MARCH 20, 2018
9:00 A.M
Room 474 Fourth Floor
Heber M. Wells Building
160 E. 300 S. Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED: 9:00 a.m. ADJOURNED: 2:13 p.m.

DOPL STAFF PRESENT:
Allyson Pettley, Bureau Manager
Nicky Glover, Board Secretary
Sicily Hill, Compliance Specialist
Mark Baca, Investigator

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Micheal Black, Chair
Gloria Goff
Randall Nikola
Roger Olbrot

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Hal Morrell

GUESTS:
Ron Findlay

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS: (9:03 a.m.)
Read and approve January 16, 2017 Minutes
Mr. Nikola made a motion to approve the January 16, 2018 minutes as written, seconded by Ms. Goff. The motion passed unanimously.

INVESTIGATION REPORT: (9:04 a.m.)
Mr. Baca gave a report on current investigation statistics and reports. Questions were asked and answered.

COMPLIANCE REPORT: (9:08 a.m.)
Ms. Hill provided a report on the probationers being seen today.
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APPOINTMENTS:

Jody Chen (9:40 a.m.)
Mr. Nikola conducted the interview with Ms. Chen. Ms. Chen explained the difficulties that are going on in her life and that it is a challenge for her not to use marijuana. Ms. Nikola asked if she was still doing massage and Ms. Chen said that she was, but working a few less hours to take care of the personal issues that she has had. Ms. Pettley said that Ms. Chen has been doing well and taking responsibility for her probation. Ms. Chen has had two negative test results. The Board would like to meet with her at the May 15, 2018 Board meeting.

Paula Warner (9:24 a.m.)
Ms. Goff conducted the interview with Ms. Warner. Ms. Goff asked her about her positive test and her abnormal test. Ms. Warner explained that she was using a hand sanitizer all day and using a topical analgesic which has a lot of alcohol. It is the only thing she can think of that would make the test positive. She has stopped using all of these things and her last test was negative. Ms. Hill has sent all of the products Ms. Warner has been using to Affinity and was told that they would not cause the positive result. She is going to AA and meets with her supervisor regularly. Ms. Pettley told Ms. Warner that she needs to take control and that she is the only probationer having the issue with the products she is using. Ms. Warner does 25 to 30 massages per week and stays very busy. Her supervisor is her counselor and an addiction specialist and she has been seeing him for several years. Ms. Warner’s last test was negative, but if she has another positive test result, she will be required to take a Blood PETH test. If Ms. Warner has at least two negative tests the next interview can be telephonic. The Board would like to meet with her at the May 15, 2018 Board meeting.

William Hickman (9:47 a.m.)
Mr. Black conducted the interview telephonically with Mr. Hickman. Mr. Black asked him where is was working. Mr. Hickman is working at a clinic with six other massage therapists. He is doing working 16-32 hours per week. Mr. Black asked Mr. Hickman if he was having any issues and Mr. Hickman said that he wasn’t. Mr. Hickman has just started to see a new counselor and they are just getting familiar with each other and setting goals. Mr. Hickman said that he called Ms. Pettley after the last Board meeting about doing mentorships if other probationers need to talk. He also called Ms. Pettley about how to deal with a client’s inappropriate behavior. The Board would like to meet with him on May 15, 2018 telephonically.

Angela Favero (10:03 a.m.)
Mr. Black conducted the interview with Ms. Favero. Ms. Favero is doing approximately 15 massages per week at Therapeutic Massage Center in Pleasant
View. Her employer reports are all positive. Ms. Favero tests through an outside agency through drug court and brought her results with her today. All her tests were negative. She tests on an average of two times per week and should be completed with drug court in August. She will transfer to Affinity at that time. Ms. Favero finds drug court helpful but doesn't relate to the other individuals who are in drug court with her. She meets with a therapist every two weeks and goes to a group class every week. The Board would like to meet with her on the May 15, 2018.

COMPLIANT

NEW ORDER:
Mark Mason (2:11 p.m.)
Mr. Mason failed to show for his appointment today. Ms. Pettley made a recommendation that Ms. Hill and Ms. Pettley will reach out to him to see why he didn’t attend the meeting. Mr. Obrot make a motion for Ms. Pettley and Ms. Hill to reach out to Mr. Mason and make the determination on whether a citation should be issued, seconded by Mr. Nikola. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW APPRENTICESHIPS
Susan Kofford- Supervisor (10:54 a.m.)
Olivia Purser- Apprentice
Harley Kofford- Apprentice
This is Ms. S. Kofford, Ms. Purser, and Ms. H. Kofford’s first meeting with the Board. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to meet with the Board today. Ms. Kofford has had two apprentice groups before and they are all licensed as massage therapists. They are working at the Center for Massage in Orem. They are using Jennifer Middleton’s curriculum and they are on week 16. They are spending 12 -16 hours per week. They were using their own logs and have been provided with copies of the ones specific for DOPL. The estimated completion date is January, 2019. Additional questions were asked and answered.

Kelcee Dinehart- Supervisor (11:25 a.m.)
Meghan Costello- Apprentice
Veronica Rose Tda Gunyan- Apprentice
This is Ms. Costello and Ms. Gunyan’s first meeting with the Board. Ms. Dinehart could not attend the meeting today. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to meet with the Board today. This is Ms. Dineharts first apprenticeship. The apprentices do not have their own copy of the books used in the curriculum. They were referred to read the Utah Massage Therapy Code of Ethics and Standards and Practice. They will also need to discuss it with their supervisor. Mr. Black let them know that homework is not to be counted in the hours. They are doing their apprenticeship at Health Effects and are following the approved curriculum. The apprentices are keeping their logs online and were provided a copies of the ones specific for DOPL. The completion date is set for a year out. Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board would like to meet with them and their instructor at the May 15, 2018 Board meeting.
Zhigang Huang- Supervisor
Xiaoyan Sun- Apprentice

Mr. Huang and Mr. Sun were not able to attend the meeting today. They will be rescheduled for the May 15th Board meeting.

Jose Diaz- Supervisor (1:15 p.m.)
Neftaly Kirk-Alverez- Apprentice

This is Mr. Diaz and Ms. Alverez’s first meeting with the Board. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to meet with the Board. Mr. Diaz has been practicing for six years. He had one previous apprentice, but they have disassociated. They are using Sharon Muir’s curriculum and are practicing at Lily Springs Spa in Salt Lake City. They are in the first week of training. Mr. Olbrot said that they have to follow the curriculum and can add training if wanted. They are currently only doing three hours per week and are still working on a schedule. Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board would like to meet with them at the May 15th Board meeting.

Jennifer Kresge- Supervisor (12:52 p.m.)
Bailey Kresge- Apprentice

This is Ms. J. Kresge and Ms. B. Kresge’s first meeting with the Board. Ms. Pettley explained why they were asked to meet with the Board today. Ms. J. Kresge has been practicing for about 15 years and this is her first apprenticeship. They are using their own logs and were provided with copies of the specific logs for DOPL. They are practicing at the Art of Massage in Orem. They are not following the curriculum or using the books that are required in the curriculum. Mr. Black let them know that they need to follow the curriculum as it has been approved. Mr. Olbrot made the recommendation to them to start the apprenticeship over and contact Ms. Muir to ask about the Reiki book and to purchase the correct books. Ms. Pettley reminded them that homework without the supervisor does not count towards the hours. Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board would like to meet with them at the May 15th Board meeting.

Maria Torres – Supervisor (1:37 p.m.)
Leimoni Maile- Apprentice

This is Ms. Torres seconded meeting with the Board and Mr. Maile’s first meeting with the Board today. They are using Sharon Muir’s curriculum. They are not following the curriculum or using the correct books. Mr. Olbrot let them know that homework away from the supervisor does not account for education hours. They were provided with copies of the logs specific for DOPL. They are currently meeting about 3 hours per week due to other employment. Ms. Pettley said that they should revisit their schedule, follow the curriculum, and begin using the correct books.
Additional questions were asked and answered. The Board would like to meet with them at the May 15th Board meeting.

REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION:
Susan Tiede- Foot Zone Center (1:53 p.m.)
Ms. Pettley shared with the Board the reason Susan Tiede wanted to meet with them today. Ms. Tiede owns Foot Zone Center and she teaches live foot zoning courses online. They last five months at 300 – 350 hours. Ms. Tiede would like to be a recognized industry organization to qualify for the Massage Therapy Practice Act exemption. Ms. Pettley will research more into the requirements to become an approved industry organization. Ms. Tiede will be schedule again for the May 15, 2018.

DISCUSSION:
Interview question review (11:47 a.m.)
Ms. Pettley reviewed with the Board what appropriate and inappropriate questions are and how they should be handled. Questions were asked and answered.

Cranial Sacral Therapy (10:12 a.m.)
The Board discussed Cranial Sacral Therapy and what is taught in schools. Questions were asked and answered.

TENTATIVE MEETING DATES for 2018
May 15, 2018       July 17, 2018
September 18, 2018 November 20, 2018

ADJOURN 2:13 p.m.  (no motion required)

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessary shown in the chronological order they occurred.