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PUBLIC MINUTES
Friday, April 21, 2023

The April 21, 2023, Board meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. at 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH with the following members present:

Susan Prasch, Board Member
Doreen Rossi, Board Member
Julie Smith, Board Member
Talia Wilson, Senior Board Administrator
Teresa Boyer, Board Administrator
Rahkiya Medley, Board Counsel

MINUTES

The Board approved the public minutes of December 6, 2023, as submitted on a motion from Doreen Rossi and seconded by Susan Prasch, the motion passes with a roll call vote.

LICENSING/APPLICATIONS

Leah Neff-Online Application

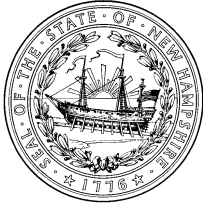
On a motion by Susan Prasch and seconded by Dorren Rossi voted to approve application.

Emily Tole - Renewal Application exemption for CE requirements

On a motion by Julie Smith and seconded by Doreen Rossi voted to approve application with continued education as submitted.

HEARINGS

Julie Forrest



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Hearing Continued

NEW BUSINESS

A. Rule/Statue Clarification Request.

1. Electro-Body Therapy

Rahkiya Medley-Board Counsel addressed the board and advised that this function falls under the scope of other licensed professions therefore not within scope for licensed Massage Therapists. On a motion by Susan Pracsch and seconded by Julie Smith the board voted that a licensed Massage Therapist cannot charge for this service to the public.

2. Polarity and Cranial Therapy

The board recommended that this function can be performed by licensed Massage Therapists.

PENDING LEGISLATION

A. HB341 - Relative to Massage Therapy

Board Counsel Rahkiya Medley let the board know that this bill will not be moving forward by a 11-9 vote. This bill would not be possible for OPLC to oversee.

B. SB212 - Relative to Massage Therapy

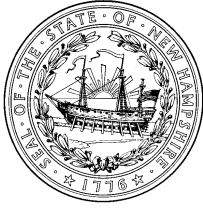
Board Counsel Rahkiya Medley updated the board that she will follow up with the board of where this stands after the hearing next Wednesday April 26th.

Motion to commence non-public session: 9:56am

On the motion of Julie Smith, seconded by Susan Pracsch the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A: 3, II (c), RSA 91-A: 3, II (e), RSA 91-A: 5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:

Upon the motion of Doreen Rossi, seconded by Julie Smith, the Board voted to withhold and seal all the minutes of the proceeding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a



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Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Adjournment

Doreen Rossi made a motion to adjourn at 10:22am Julie Smith seconded, motion passes with a roll call vote.