

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
ILLINOIS MASSAGE THERAPY LICENSING BOARD

**Open Minutes**

Illinois Massage Therapy Licensing Board

Date: August 6, 2024  
Convened: 11:01 am  
Adjourned: 12:29 pm  
Location: Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX

Members Present: Michael Hovi, Chair  
Kendall Alexander, Public Member  
Lurana Bain, Member  
Elizabeth Gonzalez, Member  
Sandy Saldano, Member  
Sharon Wong, Member

Member(s) Absent: Patricia O'Shaughnessy, Member

Staff Present: Amy Fisher, DPR Board Liaison  
Tafari Mahou, DPR General Counsel

Guests Present: Maureen Mulhall, Government Consultant  
Jeremy Miller, public  
Ashley Bolin, Licensee  
Mai Lin Petrine - FSMTB

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 11:01 am.  
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**I. Review of Minutes**

The Board reviewed the open and closed minutes of the May 6, 2024 meeting. Clarification was requested regarding what can be discussed by members of the Board outside of a Board Meeting. Per General Counsel, Tafari Mahou, no board business may be discussed, no other official meetings may be held, Board Members may talk in an unofficial capacity. Motion was made, seconded (Wong/Bain) accept the open and closed meeting minutes. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

**II. Board Member Announcements/Comments**

Mr. Hovi welcomed everyone and asked if anyone had announcements or comments.

**III. Public Comment**

Jeremy Miller – No Comment

Ashley Bolin – requested status on her reinstatement application. Board Liaison, Amy Fisher provided her a status via e-mail after the meeting.

Maureen Mulhall provided Legislative update. SB2660 signed August 2, 2024 and effective immediately. If a crime is identified by State's Attorney, the licensee may be required to work with a chaperone present until the case is adjudicated. If the licensee charged with Sexual Assault, the State's Attorney is to contact IDFPR. The Department/Board has the option to require a chaperone. If the licensee refuses, they will be required to stop practicing. HB2756 effective 1-1-24 added 1 hour Domestic Violence CE for renewals. The Agency is not enforcing the 1 additional hour requirement for the 12-31-24 renewal cycle. If the licensee takes the 1 hour DV CE in 2024, they can apply the hour to their 2026 renewal.

**IV. Old Business**

No old business.

**V. New Business**

Discussion regarding the multi state compact. The discussion was tabled until after the FSMTB annual conference in October. Sandy Saldano is attending on behalf of the Board.

**Moved into Closed Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Gonzalez/Saldano) to move to closed session. Moved to closed session at 11:26am

The Board reviewed 3 deliberations and made recommendations.

**Moved back into Open Session:**

Motion made, seconded (Alexander/Bain) to move end closed session and move to Open Session. The Board Chair adjourned the Closed Session and moved the meeting back into Open Session at 12:14 pm.

Motion was made, seconded (Alexander/Gonzalez) to accept the recommendations made on the deliberations in closed session. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

**VI. Chairperson Time**

Mr. Hovi (and the Board) thanked Ms. Fisher for her time as Board Liaison since she has accepted a new role with IDFPR and this will be her last Board Meeting.

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Sandy Saldano will be attending the FSMTB Annual Meeting in October and will provide an update to the Board at the next meeting.

**VII. Board Liaison Time**

Ms. Fisher reminded the Board the next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 6, 2024.

Motion made/Seconded (Alexander/Saldano) to keep closed meeting minutes closed.

Motion made/Seconded (Alexander/Wong) to authorize the Board Chair to sign on behalf of the Board for the deliberations and/or applications discussed during closed session.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Motion made/Seconded (Alexander/Gonzalez) to adjourn meeting. The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:19 pm.