

**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
STATE BOARD FOR MASSAGE THERAPY**

November 18, 2022

Public Locations: Albany, New York City, Rochester, Syracuse

Present: Michele Naumann Carlstrom, Chair
Kyle Hierholzer, Vice Chair
Linda Toomey
Amy E. Warcup
Kiersten Fisher (nonpublic site)

Absent: Dale Montelione-Grust
Paul Pipia

Staff: Carolyn Ferrick Professional Examination Unit
Kate Letzelter Board Staff
Diane Martin Board Staff
Paul Thompson Board Executive Secretary

Meeting Convened

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Mr. Thompson.

Minutes

Action on the draft minutes of the September 16, 2022, meeting was deferred until the Board next convenes with a quorum.

Announcements and Updates

- Mr. Thompson summarized discussions with attendees at the November 4, 2022, annual meeting of the New York Council of Massage Therapy Educators. Meeting topics included the use of CBD oil; statutory and regulatory restrictions on remote learning; and inquiries about the frequency of exam administrations and the limitations on limited permits.
- Mr. Thompson reported that the Board of Regents discussed licensure compacts at its November meeting.
 - Link: [Regents presentation materials](#)
- Board Member Toomey shared her observations of the annual meeting of the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards. Meeting topics included the proposed licensing compact; an apprentice-based licensure model; massage therapy aides; human trafficking; and provisions

to address sexual misconduct, standards of care, ethics, and boundaries. Attendees sought out Ms. Toomey to express their thanks and memories in tribute to Dr. Kathleen Doyle.

Executive Session

Motion: To end the public session and enter executive session to discuss the State Massage Therapy examination, including the review of exam challenges and the exam blueprint. (Amy Warcup)

Second: Michele Naumann Carlstrom

Vote: Unanimous approval

Adjournment

Motion: Amy Warcup

Second: Michele Naumann Carlstrom

Vote: Unanimous approval

Resolved: That the meeting be adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board is tentatively scheduled for March 3, 2023.