



## Washington State Board of Massage

### Special Meeting Minutes October 26, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

On Tuesday, October 26, 2021, the Board of Massage held a special board meeting via Webinar. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notices were sent to individuals requesting notification of meetings.

#### **Board Members**

John Cassinerio, LMT  
Chimere Figaire-Correa, LMT  
Autumn Christina Straker, LMT, vice chair  
Heidi Williams, LMT, chair

#### **Staff Present**

Megan Maxey, Program Manager  
Renee Fullerton, Executive Director  
Luke Eaton, Assistant Attorney General  
Michelle Hartman, Administrative Assistant  
Davis Hylkema, Assistant Program Manager  
Julianne Kolln, Policy Analyst  
Darlene Bartlett, Private Career School Unit Manager

#### **Guests**

Mark Allen  
Lydia Benson  
Marybeth Berney, LMT  
Robbin Blake, LMT  
Maryann Brathwaite, LMT  
Laura Embleton  
Ed Fernandez

Jackie Guilbeault  
Heather Kazmark  
Gail McGaffick, JD  
Andrew Salmeron, LMT  
Diana Thompson, LMT  
Susan Sherman, LMT

### **OPEN SESSION**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The board meeting was called to order by Heidi Williams, LMT, chair, at 9:01 a.m.

##### 1.1. Introductions and Meeting Ground Rules.

The board and staff introduced themselves. Ms. Williams read the Meeting Ground Rules.

##### 1.2. Approval of the October 26, 2021 Agenda

**MOTION:** The motion was made to approve the October 26, 2021 special meeting agenda.  
The motion was seconded and approved as presented.

#### **2. RULES PETITION**

The board reviewed a rules petition from the Washington State Massage Therapy Association (WSMTA) requesting the board to commence rulemaking to create a licensure pathway for

Washington residents who graduate from a bordering school that provides substantially equivalent education and training requirements.

The board discussed the information provided. After lengthy discussion, the board decided to deny WSMTA's petition.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to deny the petition of creating a pathway for Washington residents who graduate from bordering schools. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Heidi Williams, LMT, chair at 10:24 a.m. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:

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Megan Maxey, Program Manager

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Heidi Williams, LMT, Chair