

**MINUTES OF  
TENNESSEE MASSAGE LICENSURE BOARD  
TASK FORCE MEETING**

Date: March 17 2008

Time: 9:00 a.m. C.S.T.

Location: 227 French Landing  
HRB Conference Center  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Poplar Room  
Nashville TN 37228

Members Present: Phyllis Salyers, LMT, Chairperson  
Chris Sluss, LMT, Secretary  
Marcela Collins, LMT  
Marilyn Field, Citizen Member

Member Absent: Faith Mayton, LMT

Vacant Positions: Massage Therapist  
Citizen Member

Staff Present: Dianne Birkner, Board Manager  
Dale Hill, Board Administrator  
Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney  
Elizabeth Miller, Director, Health Related Boards

Others Present: Debbie Hicks, President, Tennessee Massage Therapy Association  
Diann Smithson, Lighthouse Professional Services  
Karen Craig, LMT, Massage Institute of Memphis  
Maj-Lis Nash, LMT, Mind Body Institute  
Daryl Nash, Mind Body Institute  
Mindy Oldham, Cumberland Institute of Holistic Therapies  
Heather Howes, LMT, Miller Motte Technical College-Chattanooga  
Chris Murov, LMT, Cumberland Institute of Holistic Therapies  
Kelly Sanders, LMT  
Beth Blackburn, LMT  
Christine Stubblefield, LMT

The Task Force meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Ms. Phyllis Salyers, Chairperson.

The Board reviewed proposed rules pertaining to:

- a. Practice Standards and Inspection of Establishments
- b. Establishment Licensure Process
- c. Educational Program Approval and Curriculum Requirements
- d. Application Requirements for Educational Programs
- e. Continuing Education Course Providers
- f. Fee Increases

These rules went to rulemaking hearing on December 18, 2007.

The Board also reviewed and made recommendations to Board rules 0870-1 and 0870-2. Ms. Armstrong will prepare draft rules based on recommendations made during the task force meeting. The draft rules will be presented at the May meeting for approval to go to rulemaking hearing at the Board's August 11, 12, 2008 Board meeting. A copy of the draft rules will be forwarded to the Board members prior to the May meeting.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Adopted by the Tennessee Massage Licensure Board on this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2008.