

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COLLEGE OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,
(PUBLIC PORTION) HELD AT THE BLUE HORIZON HOTEL, SEYMOUR ROOM, 1225 ROBSON STREET,
VANCOUVER, B.C. ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 24th, 2012, COMMENCING AT 1:45 p.m.**

PRESENT: James McGettigan Marilynne Waithman Brent Rowland
 Rebecca Darnell Beth Sampson Koby Blanchfield
 Voula Soursos

IN ATTENDANCE: Dan Peebles, Interim Registrar
 Peggy Bereza, Deputy Registrar
 John Ankenman, Legal Counsel
 Susan Addario, Registrar/CEO

CHAIR: James McGettigan, President

Special presentations were made to past Board Members: Kareem Allam, Gord Schoberg and Ronda Maxwell.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded/Passed to approve the agenda as amended

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved/Seconded/Passed to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting of January 13th, 2012 and the Special Board meeting of February 1st, 2012 as circulated.

Moved/Seconded/Passed to approve the Executive Committee meeting minutes of January 9th, 2012 and January 23rd, 2012 as circulated.

REPORT FROM IN CAMERA MEETING

At the In Camera meeting held earlier today the Board:

- Dealt with a Human Resources matter.
- Reviewed and approved the budget for the 2012 fiscal year.
- Approved an increase to the cost of an existing contract.
- Discussed accreditation issues in regard to two accredited schools.
- Received correspondence regarding the cancellation of a contract.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

The Interim Registrar advised the Board the Ms. Waithman had been re-appointed to the Board until to March 31st, 2014. In addition, Board Resourcing confirmed that Ms. Naseem Gulamhusein has been appointed to the Board.

The Board was advised that the Registration Renewal process is completed and that 86 members have had their membership cancelled for failure to remit their dues.

The Interim Registrar provided the Board with a review of the Public Registry which "went public" and was posted to the website as of this date.

FIRST AID/CPR

Moved/Seconded/Passed In order for Registrants to comply with Schedule D, Part 6(b) they must maintain a minimum level of Standard First Aid and level "C" CPR certification.

Moved/Seconded/Passed Registrants will be advised that they must comply with the requirements of Schedule D, Part 6 (b) not later than November 1st, 2013. Failure to be in compliance by that date will be grounds for non-renewal as an active Registrant.

Moved/Seconded/Passed Courses taken to meet the requirements under Schedule D, Part 6 (b) will count toward a Registrant's requirement for Continuing Education credit.

Opposed Beth Sampson, Voula Soursos

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Accreditation – Verbal - The committee recommends that the Performance Indicators Working Document be removed from the College website.

Scope of Practice – Verbal – The Committee advised that services provided as a Doula and or Labour support were not within the scope of RMTs and consequently may not be billed as massage therapy services.

A question was raised as to whether or not group exercise activities fell within the scope of RMTs. The committee advises that taking a patient through exercises as an adjunct to a massage therapy session is permissible, but providing a service that is not "hands-on" , for example an exercise class does not fall within our regulation.

The committee advises that structural integration is within the scope of practice.

The committee advises that infrared sauna is within the scope of practice.

The committee sought direction on an approach to government in respect to Low Level Light Laser therapy. This discussion was deferred pending receipt of a letter government had previously issued on this matter.

GENERAL BUSINESS –

Moved/Seconded/Passed to accept the membership changes as circulated.

NEW BUSINESS

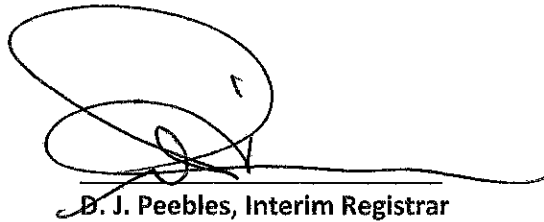
A discussion was held in regard to a communication sent out by the MTA in regard to interpreting a Supreme Court decision relating to coverage for massage therapy treatments in ICBC claims a reference to Clinical Practice Guidelines. It was felt this communication was confusing to members as these guidelines are not the same of our Practice Standards. Registrar will discuss this with the MTA.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.



James McGettigan, President



D. J. Peebles, Interim Registrar