

**STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
MINUTES
October 27, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M.
402 W Washington Street, Room W064
Indianapolis IN 46204**

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM** 10:04 a.m.
Board members present: Laurie Hardin, Jael Peirce, Elizabeth Cain
Staff Present: Toby Snell, Jael Peirce, Elizabeth Cain
- II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** Motion made by EC and seconded by JP to approve the agenda
Motion Carries 3-0-0
- III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES** Motion made by EC and seconded by JP to approve the minutes
Motion carries 3-0-0
- IV. REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**
Report given by Amy Osborne

COURT REPORTER Heather Orbaugh
- V. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**
- 1. Johnny Sharpe MT21003312**
Petition to Withdraw Probation 2017 SBMT 0007
Amy Osborne appears on behalf of the State
Johnny appears without counsel
Mr Sharpe make his opening statement and feels he has met the requirements of his probation terms and would like to have that status removed.
State makes opening statement
Mr Sharpe provides his last copy of CE proof and
State agrees to provide this copy
Amy asks respondent about his probation terms and has he completed all
He paid the civil penalty of 1000.00
He understands what he did in 2019 was wrong and he is working on better communication skills with patients
He is working out of the customer's home
Board asks about the exam he took and would like to have a copy of proof
State calls Toby as a witness
Board asks Toby if they have proof of insurance and they do
Respondent makes closing statement and asks to have the probation withdrawn

State makes closing statement
These proceedings are now concluded
Motion made by LH to and seconded by EC to remove the probation status
Motion carries 3-0-0

2. Lydia Jin MT20903098

Wen Jian Liu MT20902301

Petition to Withdraw Probation 2020 SBMT 0011
Lydia Jin and Wen Jian Liu appear
Amy Osborne appears on behalf of the state
Mr. Huang appears as counsel for the respondents
Mr Huang makes opening statement
States they have fulfilled all requirements per the final order
State calls Lydia Jin as a witness
State calls Wen Liu as witness
State calls Toby as witness
Board asks respondents questions about the CE that was provided, and they do not see where Mr Liu has met all requirements of his CE
Respondents' attorney makes closing statement
State makes closing statement
These proceedings are now concluded
Motion made by EC and seconded by JP to withdraw probation for Lydia
Motion made by EC and seconded by JP to deny the probation withdrawal for Wen Liu, and he may petition to have the probation withdrawn once he provides the 3 hours of CE
Motion carries 3-0-0

3. Joseph Weathers MT21706102

Summary Suspension 2022 SBMT 0002
Jeremy Weddle appears on behalf of the State
Joseph does not appear
State makes opening statement
State calls Natalie Christy as witness
Board has no questions
State makes closing statement and requests to place Mr Weathers license on suspension
These proceedings are concluded
Motion made by LH and seconded by EC to suspend the license
Motion carries 3-0-0

4. Christopher Sheeren MT21405185

Extension of Summary Suspension 2021 SBMT 0007

RE: Proposed Settlement Agreement

Regan Perrodin appears on behalf of the state

Christopher appears with counsel

State makes opening statement

Counsel for respondent feels the chair needs to recuse herself

Heidi address's this issue and says the chair can vote out of a rule of necessity

The board chair states she does not agree to the PSA

Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to deny the PSA

Motion carries 3-0-0

Respondents counsel makes her objection to Laurie Hardin participating in the decision on the extension of summary suspension

Heidi gives the cite to being able to vote due to necessity

State makes opening statement on extension of summary suspension and request the summary suspension be extended for an additional 90 day effective November 20th

Counsel for respondent makes opening statement and feels the state is incorrect on their accusations.

State does not have anything further to present

Respondents counsel calls Mr Sheeren as witness

Asks to submit Exhibit 1, so moved

Asks to submit Exhibit 2, So moved

State cross examines respondent

State has no further questions

Respondents counsel redirects

State makes closing statements

Respondents counsel makes closing statement

These proceedings are now concluded

Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to approve the extension of summary suspension

Motion carries 3-0-0

5. Karma Swift non licensed

Motion to Cease and Desist 2022 SBMT 0003

Ryan Eldridge appears on behalf of the State

Karma does not appear

State makes opening statement

Request a notice of proposed default

State makes closing statement and request a notice of proposed default

These proceedings are now concluded

Motion made by LH and seconded by EC to issue a notice of proposed default

Motion carries 3-0-0

6. Katelin Vanlandingham MT201405080

Order to Show Cause 2017 SBMT 0006

Katelin appears

Toby Snell, Board Director states the reason for the Order to Show Cause

Katelin gives her reasoning as to why she had not been submitting her required documents per the final order. She was living in Georgia, and she didn't want to let her license lapse and she was in Georgia until 2021 and she did neglect to inform the board and she did not have any report to send as she was not working in Indiana as a massage therapist.

The board asks questions

No further questions for Ms Vanlandingham

These proceedings are now concluded

Motion made by LH and seconded by EC to extend probation for 90 days and complete CE along with providing the board with all required documents per the final order

Motion carries 3-0-0

7. Christina Turoci MT21706151

Order to Show Cause 2017 SBMT 0003 (PHONE)

Christina does not answer her phone after trying three time. Phone went straight to VM, left message

Board decides to move forward with a Default order

These proceedings are now concluded

Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to issue an order of Default

Motion carries 3-0-0

Motion made to JP and seconded by LH to suspend the license

Motion carries 3-0-0

8. Alyssa Stillions MT21405100

Order to Show Cause 2021 SBMT 0008

RE: Petition to Withdraw Probation

Alyssa appears

Toby Snell, Board Director states the reason for the Order to Show Cause

Alyssa makes opening statement and requests her license be taken off probation

Board goes forward with petition to withdraw probation

Alyssa states she feels her mistakes are in the past.

Alyssa makes closing statement

Board asks their questions pertaining to her criminal probation.

Alyssa emails me a copy of her completion of probation

These proceedings are now concluded.

Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to deny the request for probation

Motion carries 3-0-0

Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to extend the probation for 90 days and complete CE along with providing the board with all required documents per the final order.

Motion carries 3-0-0

VI. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

1. **Teresa Harmon – Reset** (PHONE)
Teresa appears by phone
Motion made by LH and seconded by EC to reinstate the license after completing CE
Motion carries 3-0-0
2. **Crystal Cox – Reset**
Crystal appears
Motion made by JP and seconded by EC to reinstate the license after completing CE
Motion carries 3-0-0
3. **Lorie Price – Reset**
Lori does not appear
Motion made by EC and seconded by LH to deny the reinstatement failure to appear
Motion carries 3-0-0
4. **Lorie Bochert – Reset**
Lorie appears
Motion made by LH and seconded by EC to approve the reinstatement after completing CE
Motion carries 3-0-0
5. **Robert Wolter – Reset**
Robert does not appear
Motion made by EC and seconded by JP to deny the reinstatement
Motion carries 3-0-0
6. **Xiuhong Chai – Application** (PHONE)
Xiuhong appears by phone with counsel
Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to continue until she has obtained all required documentation
Motion carries 3-0-0
7. **Zhenyuan Li – Application**
Zhenyuan appears
Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to approve the application for licensure on probation
Motion carries 3-0-0
8. **Tara Krush-Smith – Reinstatement**
Tara appears
Motion made by LH and seconded by EC to approve the reinstatement after completing CE
Motion carries 3-0-0

VII. APPLICATION REVIEW

1. Youyuan Tu

After review of the application and documents

Motion made by LH and seconded by EC to approve the license

Motion carries 3-0-0

2. Ashley Nance

Motion made by LH and seconded by JP to have her provide a breakdown of hours to show 500 before issuance

Motion carries 3-0-0

VIII. CE REVIEW

IX. DISCUSSION ITEM

1. FSMTB CE Registry

2. Jael Peirce Conference Invite

X. ADJOURNMENT 3:53



Laurie Hardin, Board Chair

**Next Scheduled Meeting:
January 26th, 2023**