

**Massage Therapist Association of Saskatchewan, Inc**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**Travelodge Hotel – Galaxy Ballroom A**  
**Saskatoon, Saskatchewan**  
**Minutes of the meeting**

Call to order (9:00 a.m.) – President Garret Woynarski

1.0 Housekeeping:

- Introduction of Board of Directors, staff and special guests.
- The AGM is being recorded - must come to the microphone to speak. For recording purposes, please identify yourself every time you speak. Microphones are identified as opposed and in favour.
- Turn off all cell phones.
- Coffee will be served at 10:30am.
- Please leave your voting cards on the tables for collection at the end of the meeting.

2.0 Review/amend/adopt Agenda.

Add Monty Churchman – CSMTA presentation as guest speaker 3 after item 9.0 – elections.

**2015AGM-1 Motion to adopt the Agenda.**

**T. Senz/L. Stephens**

**CARRIED**

3.0 Review/amend/adopt Minutes of AGM March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**2015AGM-2 Motion to review/amend/adopt the Minutes as presented.**

**W. Wenaus/M. Churchman**

**CARRIED**

4.0 Business arising from Minutes.

No business.

**GUEST SPEAKER 1:** Brenda Locke, Executive Director, RMTBC.

5.0 Directors' Reports.

5.1 President – Garret Woynarski.

5.2 Treasurer – Robin Claus.

**2015AGM-3 Motion to accept the 2014 audited statements as presented.**

**R. Claus/C. Vanthuyne**

**CARRIED**

**2015AGM-4 Motion to appoint Stewart Gee and Associates as the Auditors for 2015.**

**R. Claus/C. Gerlinsky**

**CARRIED**

5.3 Education/Exam – Mandy Fahr.

5.4 Insurance – Jordan Smith.

5.5 Complaints/Investigation – Gus Giannoutsos.

5.6 Membership/Public Relations – Camille Lapierre.

5.7 Competency – Aileen Tran Mapletoft.

5.8 Research – Donelda Gowan-Moody.

5.9 Executive Director – Lori Green.

**2015AGM-5 Motion to accept Directors' reports as presented.**

**L. Stephens/K. Braun**

**CARRIED**

5.10 Presentation of Honourary Life Membership award to Sheila Lehmann, RMT.

**GUEST SPEAKER 2:** Mark Mulatz, LLB (MTAS lawyer)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

6.0 Amendments to the Bylaws.

**Amendment #1: 4.2 Duties of Officers (a)**

**2015AGM-6 Motion to strike:** "The President shall receive written complaints on behalf of the Board and shall forward any such complaint to the Director responsible for disciplinary matters."

**M. Kerns/G. Giannoutsos**

**CARRIED**

**Amendment #2: to add a final sentence to 10.1**

**2015AGM-7 Motion to add:** "The discipline committee will continue on after resignation or election if an ongoing investigation is taking place. A new committee member will not be added to an ongoing case."

**G. Giannoutsos/J. Smith**

**CARRIED**

**Amendment #3: 10.2(2) Investigation and Discipline (2) Formal Resolution**

**2015AGM-8 Motion to add 10.2 (2) (e):** "In the case where the Executive Director or Board is the complainant, the written form will be signed by the President and the Executive Director."

**G. Giannoutsos/D. Gowan-Moody**

**CARRIED**

**Amendment #4: 10.3 Investigation and Discipline**

**2015AGM-9 Motion as follows:**

- i. To strike 10.13 (1) "to the Board."
- ii. To strike 10.13 (2) "Where the Board is in receipt of a notice of Appeal."
- iii. To strike (2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph) "Registrar" and replace with "Executive Director" and to strike "Board" and replace with "Discipline Committee".
- iv. To strike 10.13 (3) "Board" and replace with "Executive Director".
- v. To strike 10.13 (3) (d) "or".
- vi. To strike 10.13 (3) (e).

**G. Giannoutsos/M. Kerns**

**CARRIED**

**Amendment #5: Honourary Practicing Membership 11.3 (f)**

**2015AGM-10 Motion to add:** "Honourary practicing memberships will be awarded every three (3) years."

**C. Lapierre/N. Junop**

**DEFEATED**

**Amendment #6: Honourary Practicing Membership 11.3 (f) (a)**

**2015AGM-11 Motion to strike:** "ten years" and replace with "twenty (20) years."

**C. Lapierre/N. Junop**

**CARRIED**

**Amendment #7: Honourary Practicing Membership 11.3 (f) paragraph 2**

**2015AGM-12 Motion to strike:** "selection of candidate" and replace with "recipient".

**C. Lapierre/N. Junop**

**CARRIED**

**Amendment #8: Records Management 11.8 (8)**

**2015AGM-13 Motion to add 11.8 (e)** “Members must have on file at the MTAS office or the College of Massage Therapy of Saskatchewan, a succession plan for client files. This plan shall contain:

- (i) An agreement with another health professional as guardian of the files.
- (ii) An outline as to how the client files will be destroyed according to the legal requirements for medical health records in the province of Saskatchewan.”

**M. Kerns/M. Fahr**

**Amendment to the above amendment:**

**2015AGM-14 Motion to add 11.8 (e)** “Members must have on file at the MTAS office or the College of Massage Therapy of Saskatchewan, a succession plan for client files. This plan shall contain:

- (i) An agreement with another health professional **or fellow RMT in good standing with MTAS, or person acceptable to the MTAS office**, as guardian of the files.
- (ii) An outline as to how the client files will be destroyed according to the legal requirements for medical health records in the province of Saskatchewan.”

**M. Kerns/A. McNaughton**

**CARRIED**

**Original motion 2015AGM-13**

**DEFEATED**

7.0 Motions from the Membership

**2015AGM-15 Motion:** “Recommend that the Massage Therapist Association of Saskatchewan open their scope of practice to include acupuncture as a primary modality for treatment of musculoskeletal conditions.

That applicants be approved if they have successfully completed a 250 hour program with McMaster University or the College of Acupuncture and Therapeutics, and that all applicants with formal training be considered on a case by case basis if they have been trained at other respected institutions with an equivalent program.

Acupuncture may be included in the billing of massage therapy for benefits providers.”

**D. Paquette/L. Miller**

**Motion withdrawn - further discussion and evaluation of scope of practice by a membership committee.**

8.0 Report of the Nominating Committee – Marles Kerns, Vice President.

Call for nominations from the floor.

**2015AGM-16 Motion that nominations cease.**

**M. Kerns/L. Stephens**

**CARRIED**

9.0 Elections.

Not necessary.

**GUEST SPEAKER 3:** Monty Churchman – CSMETA presentation.

10.0 Date of next meeting.

**President G. Woynarski announced the date of the next AGM in Regina to be Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.**

11.0 Meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.