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**Notice and Agenda
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday February 17, 2015
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1. Call to order / Roll call
2. Adoption of Policies and Procedures for Approving Schools
3. Amendment of 2015 strategic priorities
4. Extension of career opportunity mailing pilot program
5. Board banking resolution
6. FSMTB presentation
7. Closed session with CAMTC legal counsel pursuant to California Government Code Section 11126(e)
8. Closed Session regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, or dismissal of an employee pursuant to California Government Code Section 11126(a)
9. Return to open session and announce action taken in closed session, if any, under item 8
10. Issues and scheduling for next meeting
11. Adjourn

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**POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL OF SCHOOLS
February 17, 2015**

The California Massage Therapy Council (“CAMTC”) hereby adopts the following policies and procedures for the approval of schools, pursuant to California Business and Professions Code sections 4600 et. seq. (hereinafter the “Law”). In accordance with the Law, CAMTC approved schools shall meet minimum standards for training and curriculum.

1. Eligibility for approval.

In order to receive and maintain CAMTC approval, a massage school, and any CAMTC approved satellite locations, shall meet ALL of the following requirements:

- A. The school offers a program clearly identified as a professional massage program that grants students a certificate, diploma, or degree in massage. Other professional education programs that include massage as a component of their programs are not eligible.
- B. Massage program(s) provides an organized plan of study of massage and related subjects for a minimum of 500 supervised clock hours (or credit unit equivalent) containing, at minimum, 100 hours of instruction addressing subjects specified by the Law and CAMTC, including but not limited to: anatomy and physiology; contraindications; health and hygiene; and business and ethics. The massage program(s) shall also incorporate appropriate school assessment of student knowledge and skills. CAMTC does not accept online or distance learning hours, including but not limited to, externships, homework, and self-study or credits through challenge examinations, achievement tests, or experiential learning.
- C. The school and/or massage program is not currently un-approved by CAMTC.
- D. The school and corresponding massage program(s) shall also meet at least one of the following requirements:
 - a. Approved by the California Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE).
 - b. Approved by the California Department of Consumer Affairs.

- c. Accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities or the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and that is one of the following:
 - (1) A public school.
 - (2) A school incorporated and lawfully operating as a nonprofit public benefit corporation pursuant to Part 2 (commencing with Section 5110) of Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code, and that is not managed by any entity for profit.
 - (3) A for-profit school.
 - (4) A school that does not meet all of the criteria in subparagraph (2) that is incorporated and lawfully operating as a nonprofit public benefit corporation pursuant to Part 2 (commencing with Section 5110) of Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code, that has been in continuous operation since April 15, 1997, and that is not managed by any entity for profit.
- d. A college or university of the state higher education system, as defined in Section 100850 of the Education Code.
- e. A school requiring equal or greater training than what is required pursuant to this chapter and is recognized by the corresponding agency in another state or accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education.

2. Approval Process.

- A. Complete the application packet entirely and submit all requested documents.
- B. Pay the application fee of \$750. If approved, this non-refundable fee provides for 2 full years of CAMTC approval, so long as the school maintains the requirements for approval set forth herein and is not in violation of CAMTC's Procedures for Un-Approval of Schools.
- C. Host a scheduled site visit from a CAMTC representative(s) who will verify information submitted in the application packet and compliance with requirements for approval set forth herein.
- D. Within 90 days of the site visit, CAMTC will send a letter to the school notifying it of CAMTC's decision to approve the school, propose to un-approve the school, propose to otherwise act against the school in accordance with CAMTC's Procedures for Un-Approval of Schools, or notify the school that corrective action is needed in accordance with the procedures set forth herein.

- a. Request for Corrective Action. CAMTC, in its sole discretion, may determine that specific corrective action is needed. If CAMTC determines that corrective action is needed, it will send a letter to the school notifying it of the specific corrective action requested and specify a time period for the school to take the requested corrective action and provide proof to CAMTC that the requested corrective action has been taken. Within 90 days of the school's deadline to provide proof that it has taken the specific corrective action requested pursuant to this section, CAMTC will send a letter to the school notifying it of CAMTC's proposed decision to approve the school, un-approve the school, or otherwise act against the school in accordance with CAMTC's Procedures for Un-Approval of Schools.

3. Important Dates.

- A. July 1, 2016. As of this date, CAMTC will accept, for purposes of certifying individuals who received massage education in California, only those hours from schools approved by CAMTC pursuant to these procedures.
- B. May 1, 2015. To ensure a site visit and the possibility of approval by July 1, 2016, a school shall apply by this date. Schools may apply for approval while working to fulfill all of the requirements set forth herein, but may not receive approval until all requirements are met. Schools applying after this date or schools sent a letter requesting corrective action, proposed for un-approval, or proposed to be otherwise acted against may not be approved by July 1, 2016.
- C. All schools sent an official letter from CAMTC on or before July 1, 2016, notifying them that the school has been approved, will have an effective approval date of 2 years starting on July 1, 2016. Schools that have received official written notice of approval from CAMTC may not verify or represent to others in any manner whatsoever that they are CAMTC approved until on or after January 1, 2016.
- D. Schools approved after July 1, 2016, will have an effective date of 2 years starting on the date of approval.

4. Application Packet.

A School Approval Code issued by CAMTC is for a single campus, including CAMTC approved satellite locations, and specific owner(s) and may not be used for any other locations, schools, or owners. Therefore, for each campus or school, a separate application, fee, and requested materials shall be submitted in a three-ring binder in which the following shall be labeled, with its own divider, in this order and accompanied by electronic pdf format on a flash drive:

- A. Application

- a. The application shall be completed in its entirety, typed, signed, dated, and accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of \$750.00 (application fee waived for public colleges or universities of the California state higher education system, as defined in Section 100850 of the Education Code).

B. Approvals

- a. Documented proof of current approval or accreditation by an agency listed in Business and Professions Code section 4601(a). Schools with more than one approval or accreditation shall submit proof of all.
- b. Schools shall submit the most recent site visit report(s), compliance inspection report(s), disciplinary actions and other related documents issued to the school by all respective agencies documented above, if any.
- c. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4615(b), CAMTC, in its sole discretion, may adopt provisions for the acceptance of accreditation from a recognized accreditation body.

C. Management

- a. For private post-secondary schools:
 - (1) Organizational chart showing owners and all full and part-time employees, independent contractors, volunteers, and any other individuals who participate in massage program operations, including but not limited to management, staff, faculty members, advisory boards, and administrative personnel.
 - (2) Ownership worksheet (included with application) and copy of a current valid government issued photographic identification for all owners of the school.
 - (3) Copy of property tax bill, lease agreement, local business license, and fictitious business name filing, if applicable, proving that the owner(s) either owns or leases the property where the school is located.
 - (4) For corporations, limited liability companies, or partnerships, copies of articles of incorporation, partnership agreements, contracts, and/or EIN certificate from the IRS showing proof of ownership.
- b. For public colleges or universities of the California state higher education system, as defined in section 100850 of the Education Code:
 - (1) Organizational chart showing all full and part-time employees, independent contractors, volunteers, and any other individuals who participate in massage department operations, including but not limited to department management,

staff, faculty members, advisory boards, and administrative personnel.

D. Transcripts

- a. Sample transcript and massage program addendum, if any, with no additional markings.
- b. Sample transcript and massage program addendum, if any, with highlights and descriptions for unique security measures.
- c. Signatures, printed names, and titles for all approved signers.
- d. Transcript checklist (included with application).
- e. Sample diploma (NOTE: Diplomas are not accepted in lieu of transcripts as proof of education).
- f. Sample envelope from the school in which transcripts will be mailed to CAMTC.

E. Enrollment Agreement

- a. Blank enrollment agreement and massage program addendum, if any.
- b. Enrollment agreement checklist (included with application).

F. Course Catalog

- a. Current course catalog and massage program addendum, if any.
- b. Course catalog checklist (included with application).

G. Curriculum

- a. Program hour requirement worksheet (included with application).
- b. Calendar for each massage program noting beginning and end dates and daily schedule of all classes.
- c. Syllabi detailing all massage courses.
- d. List of textbooks, educational materials, and classroom equipment used for massage program.
- e. Policies for creating, reviewing, and updating curriculum.

H. Faculty

- a. Massage program faculty list worksheet (included with application).
- b. Submit instructor qualification forms (included with application) for all massage program faculty, including but not limited to visiting teachers, volunteers, and all those who will be teaching on a full or part-time or temporary basis.
- c. Policies and procedures for hiring, training, evaluating (including student evaluations), and disciplining faculty.
- d. Massage program staff and faculty meeting and/or training policy, minutes, and attendance records within the last 12 months.
- e. Student-teacher ratio policy and ratios for all current classes.

I. Facility

- a. Simple floor plan with approximate measurements and square footage.
- b. Clear, color pictures of the following:
 - (1) Exterior signage.
 - (2) Building exterior.
 - (3) All classrooms utilized for massage classes.
 - (4) All areas utilized for student massage clinic.

J. Advertising

- a. Copies of online and print advertisements and marketing materials related to the massage program within the last 6 months.

5. Requirements for Approval.

Failure to meet and maintain minimum standards for training and curriculum, as determined by CAMTC in its sole discretion, is a basis for denial of an application for school approval or discipline of a school.

To achieve and maintain approval, schools shall fulfill the requirements of all other agencies through which they are approved or accredited pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4601 and comply with all of the following provisions:

A. Administration

- a. Continuously maintain all eligibility requirements for approval or accreditation by the organization(s) listed in Business and Professions Code section 4601 that the school is accredited or approved by, and for approval by CAMTC.
- b. Include CAMTC School Approval Code (once approved) in any and all massage program advertising and marketing materials, including but not limited to website, business cards, brochures, print advertisements, and online banners. The school may indicate that it is "CAMTC approved" or "approved by CAMTC," but may not state or imply that the school or its educational programs are endorsed or recommended by CAMTC, or that approval indicates the school exceeds minimum standards.
- c. Post any and all approvals and accreditations, including from CAMTC, on the school premises in an area easily visible to the public.
- d. Continuously maintain the exact same owner(s) and ownership structure matching CAMTC records, which shall match the records of all other agencies that have approved or accredited the school pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4601.
- e. Operate; advertise; issue certificates, diplomas, degrees, and/or transcripts; and conduct all other school business under the exact school name matching CAMTC records, which shall match the records of all other agencies that have approved or accredited the school pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4601.
- f. Teach all classes and conduct business only at campus and CAMTC approved satellite location addresses matching CAMTC records, which shall match the records of all other agencies that have approved or accredited the school pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4601.
 - (1) Occasional, site-specific classes, including but not limited to First Aid/CPR Certification, cadaver labs, sports massage events, health and professional expos, career fairs, and spa tours accounting for no more than 50 total hours and specifically provided for in the curriculum, complete with detailed learning objectives, assignments, and assessments, may be taught at an appropriate off-site location under direct supervision of a qualified instructor. Instructors must sign off on appropriate documentation attesting to the total number of acceptable clock hours completed by each student and students shall only receive credit for the actual clock hours for which they engaged in massage activities and activities related to massage. Under no circumstances shall students receive credit for travel time, idle, non-educational, or unsupervised activity. CAMTC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to not accept off-

campus hours.

- g. Changes of owner(s) and/or ownership structure, operating under a different school name, teaching and/or conducting business at a different or additional address, and/or changes in program name or content may only occur after the school first obtains an approval letter from the appropriate agencies that have approved or accredited the school pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4601, submits the appropriate application for change to CAMTC, and CAMTC approves such application. (Please note that BPPE currently only requires approval for a change of location if the move is more than 10 miles from the original location; however, CAMTC requires approval for any change of location.)
- h. The school is responsible for the conduct of all owners, full and part-time employees, independent contractors, volunteers, and any other individuals who participate in school operations, including but not limited to management, staff, faculty members, advisory boards, and administrative personnel. CAMTC may deny approval or take disciplinary action against a school if an owner, full or part-time employee, independent contractor, volunteer, or any other individual who participates in school operations, including but not limited to management, staff, faculty members, advisory boards, and administrative personnel, engages in unprofessional conduct while engaged in school activities.
- i. The school must report to CAMTC, within 15 days of receiving notice, all legal actions, arrests, police reports, and complaints against professional conduct, involving the school; school personnel including owners, full and part-time employees, independent contractors, volunteers, and any other individuals who participate in school operations, including but not limited to management, staff, faculty members, advisory boards, and administrative personnel; and/or students or graduates engaged in school or massage related activities.

B. Transcripts

- a. Transcripts and massage program addendums, if any, from private post-secondary schools shall, at minimum, contain the following information:
 - (1) School name, address, telephone number, website, and CAMTC School Approval Code (once approved), which shall exactly match information on file at CAMTC.
 - (2) Heading entitled "Official Transcript."
 - (3) Student's full legal name and date of birth.

- (4) Date student started program and date student graduated or, for programs longer than 500 hours, completed CAMTC requirements, if applicable.
 - (5) Breakdown of courses completed with total number of supervised clock hours attended and passing grades for each course. Courses shall match those listed in the provided syllabi and program hour requirement worksheet (included with application).
 - (6) Total number of supervised clock hours attended for massage program.
 - (7) At least one authorized signature with printed name, title, and date.
 - (8) Official school seal affixed, embossed, or otherwise attached to transcript.
 - (9) Sufficient security measures that uniquely identify the school's transcripts.
- b. Transcripts from public colleges or universities of the California state higher education system, as defined in Section 100850 of the Education Code, shall meet or exceed standards as determined by governing laws and regulations.
 - c. Only sealed transcripts sent directly from the school in an envelope matching the sample submitted to CAMTC will be considered for certification purposes.
 - d. CAMTC staff shall clearly be able to discern whether a student has completed the required hours without having to interpret any information.
 - e. Clearly identify or DO NOT include unsupervised clock hours.
 - f. Clearly identify or DO NOT include courses or hours considered incomplete by the school.
 - g. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4604, CAMTC can only consider transfer hours from CAMTC approved schools. Transcripts shall clearly identify transfer hours, including but not limited to name, CAMTC School Approval Code, address, telephone, and website of other school(s); number of hours transferred; class requirements met by transfer hours; reason(s) for transfer; and attached copy of transcript(s) from other school(s). Transfer hours may not make up more than 50% of the 500 hours required for certification. CAMTC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to not accept transfer hours.
 - h. Schools shall take necessary precautions to avoid the creation and/or reproduction of fraudulent transcripts. Fraudulent transcripts, whether from within or without the school, may lead to suspension or revocation of school approval, among other consequences.

- i. Any changes in transcript format, authorized signers, and/or security features may only occur after the corresponding application for change has been submitted to and approved by CAMTC.
- j. The school shall have clearly defined written policies that it follows for accurately and securely keeping and maintaining student files and transcript information, including but not limited to enrollment agreements, payment ledgers, attendance rosters, coursework, and grades.
- k. Transcript information shall be securely kept permanently. If a school closes, it shall designate a custodian of records for that school and notify CAMTC of the name, address, email address, and telephone number of its designated custodian of records 30 days before the date of the school's closure.

C. Student/Graduate Eligibility List

- a. Transmit the names of all CAMTC eligible students or graduates to CAMTC within 30 days of their eligibility, if applicable, using the Massage School Eligibility List template.
- b. Eligibility is defined as successfully completing a minimum of 500 hours of supervised massage instruction (with a minimum of 100 hours of instruction addressing anatomy and physiology, contraindications, health and hygiene, and business and ethics or as further specified by CAMTC) that satisfies the school's coursework and appropriate school assessment of student knowledge and skills.
- c. Applications and accompanying transcripts submitted for certification will be reviewed against these lists. Discrepancies or omissions may result in applicant delays, school investigation, and/or disciplinary actions against the school.
- d. Students who do not achieve eligibility at a single CAMTC approved school may not be included on any school's list and may have to independently prove their own eligibility to CAMTC.

D. Enrollment Agreement

- a. Enrollment agreements and massage program addendums, if any, from private post-secondary schools shall, at minimum, contain the following information:
 - (1) School name, address, additional addresses where classes will be held, telephone number, and website.

- (2) Student's full legal name, date of birth, address, email, telephone number, and signature.
 - (3) Copy of a current valid government issued photographic identification.
 - (4) Title of massage program and total scheduled number of supervised hours received upon completion.
 - (5) Program schedule with start date and scheduled completion date.
 - (6) All scheduled charges and fees including, as applicable: tuition, registration fee, equipment, lab supplies, textbooks, educational materials, uniforms, charges paid to an entity other than the school as required by the program, and any other charge or fee.
 - (7) Scheduled payment terms.
 - (8) Clearly visible disclosure statement: "Attendance and/or graduation from a California Massage Therapy Council approved school does not guarantee certification by CAMTC. Applicants for certification shall meet all requirements as listed in California Business and Professions Code sections 4600 et. seq."
 - (9) Statement directing students to CAMTC for unanswered questions and for filing a complaint: "A student or any member of the public with questions that have not been satisfactorily answered by the school or who would like to file a complaint about this school may contact the California Massage Therapy Council at: One Capitol Mall, Suite 320, Sacramento, CA 95814, www.camtc.org, phone (916) 669-5336, or fax (916) 669-5337."
- b. Enrollment agreements from public colleges or universities of the California state higher education system, as defined in section 100850 of the Education Code, shall meet or exceed standards as determined by governing laws and regulations.

E. Course Catalog

Course Catalogs and massage program addendums, if any, shall, at minimum, contain the following information:

- a. School name, address, additional addresses where classes will be held, telephone number, website, and CAMTC School Approval Code (once approved).
- b. Date printed/revised.

- c. Title of massage program(s) and total number of scheduled supervised hours received upon completion.
- d. Program prerequisites, including but not limited to admission requirements, previous training, and language comprehension skills.
- e. Completion and graduation requirements, including but not limited to clock hours to attend, assignments to complete, and assessments to pass.
- f. Transfer credit policy.
- g. Attendance and leave of absence policies, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Notice that applicants for CAMTC certification shall have attended 500 supervised hours total with 100 of those hours satisfying CAMTC specified subjects.
 - (2) For 500-hour programs, how students make up missed hours and, for programs longer than 500 hours, percentage of hours students can be absent and how they make up any additional hours.
 - (3) Length, terms, and allowances for leaves of absence.
- h. Hygiene, dress code, and draping policies.
- i. If the school admits foreign or ESL students, the catalog shall contain language proficiency information, including the level of English language proficiency required of students and the kind of documentation of proficiency that will be accepted; and whether English language services are provided and, if so, the nature of the service and its cost. The catalog shall also identify whether any instruction will occur in a language other than English and, if so, identify the other language(s) instruction will be provided in, the level of English proficiency required, and the kind of documentation of proficiency that will be accepted.
- j. Publication of CAMTC's Law related to unfair business practices as related to massage:
 - (1) Pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 4611, It is an unfair business practice for a person to do any of the following:
 - (a) To hold himself or herself out or to use the title of "certified massage therapist" or "certified massage practitioner," or any other term, such as "licensed," "certified," "CMT," or "CMP," in any manner whatsoever that implies or suggests that the person is certified as a massage therapist or massage practitioner, unless that person currently holds an active and

valid certificate issued by the California Massage Therapy Council.

- (b) To falsely state or advertise or put out any sign or card or other device, or to falsely represent to the public through any print or electronic media, that he or she or any other individual is licensed, certified, or registered by a governmental agency as a massage therapist or massage practitioner.
- k. Clearly visible disclosure statement: “Attendance and/or graduation from a California Massage Therapy Council approved school does not guarantee certification by CAMTC. Applicants for certification shall meet all requirements as listed in California Business and Professions Code section 4600 et. seq.”
- l. Statement directing students to CAMTC for unanswered questions and for filing a complaint: “A student or any member of the public with questions that have not been satisfactorily answered by the school or who would like to file a complaint about this school may contact the California Massage Therapy Council at One Capitol Mall, Suite 320, Sacramento, CA 95814, www.camtc.org, phone (916) 669-5336, or fax (916) 669-5337.”

F. Curriculum

All 500 hours of education must be provided under direct supervision of qualified instructors.

- a. Provide a minimum of at least 100 supervised clock hours (or credit unit equivalent) addressing the following subjects:
 - (1) A minimum of 64 hours of Anatomy & Physiology, including but not limited to orientation to the human body; integumentary, skeletal, fascial, muscular, nervous, cardiovascular, and other body systems; and kinesiology.
 - (2) A minimum of 13 hours of Contraindications, including but not limited to endangerment areas, contraindications, and medications and massage.
 - (3) A minimum of 5 hours of Health & Hygiene, including but not limited to understanding disease, therapist hygiene, infection control, and standard precautions.
 - (4) A minimum of 18 hours of Business & Ethics, including but not limited to obtaining and maintaining credentials, adhering to laws and regulations, ethical principles, standards of ethical practice, and compliance with the Law applicable to CAMTC certified massage professionals.
- b. Provide a minimum of 400 additional and appropriately weighted supervised clock hours in subjects substantially related to the massage profession, including

but not limited to additional hours for topics required above, massage theory and principles, professional practices, therapeutic relationship, assessment and documentation, massage and bodywork application, palpation and movement, and career development. CAMTC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to determine whether curriculum is substantially related to massage or not.

- c. Student clinic hours may count for no more than 75 of the required 500 supervised clock hours and shall demonstrate educational purpose by meeting the following conditions:
 - (1) Operate at all times under direct supervision of qualified instructors and on school premises.
 - (2) Maintain detailed lesson plans, learning objectives, policies and procedures, attendance records, and grade requirements.
 - (3) Include a client intake form for every client that, among other things, informs client that the practitioner is a student.
 - (4) Include SOAP notes, or equivalent, completed by the student practitioner for every client.
 - (5) Provide for written client feedback.
 - (6) Maintain clinic attendance for each student detailing massages and other duties performed during clinic hours.
 - (7) Offer alternate, faculty-supervised learning experiences to students participating in clinic but who do not have a clinic client or specific clinic duties. Under no circumstances shall students receive credit for idle, non-educational, or unsupervised activity.
 - (8) Student clinic hours may include, but are not limited to, hands-on treatments of paying and non-paying public clients or other students; setting up, tearing down, and cleaning massage area; reviewing intake forms, interviewing clients, providing and receiving client feedback, and recording SOAP notes, or equivalent; greeting customers at reception, handling payments, answering and returning calls for appointments, interacting with appointment systems, placing confirmation calls, and managing client files; other duties reasonably befitting a professional massage therapist; and instruction related to these items. Students may not be required to clean school premises or work beyond normal procedures inclusive to treatment areas and immediate office space used during clinical sessions.
 - (9) Schools should carefully weigh and be prepared to support the purpose, duration, and effectiveness of student clinic hours in terms of educational

value to the student. CAMTC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to not accept clinic hours.

- d. Maintain current syllabi, including but not limited to the following information for each course and/or subject:
 - (1) Name of course or subject.
 - (2) Detailed description.
 - (3) Learning objectives.
 - (4) Prerequisites.
 - (5) Total number of hours.
 - (6) Instructional material(s) to be used.
 - (7) Required assessments and assignments for successful completion.
- e. Maintain policies for creating, reviewing, and updating curriculum.

G. Faculty

- a. Qualified instructors are responsible for the delivery of all 500 supervised clock hours (or credit unit equivalent). CAMTC reserves the right in its sole discretion to determine whether an instructor is qualified or not. Requirements for qualified instructors include but are not limited to:
 - (1) Complete and submit the instructor qualification form, including supporting documents.
 - (2) Hold a current CAMTC certification, other allied health license with advanced training in soft tissue modalities, or possess documented higher education applicable to the specific subject(s) taught.
 - (3) Have at least 2 years of documented professional experience applicable to the specific subject(s) taught.
 - (4) Instruct only in those subjects in which qualified through documented education, certification, and professional experience, and not instruct techniques or procedures that require specialized training, licensure, or experience for which they are not qualified.

(5) Behave within principles of acceptable, ethical, and professional behavior, including but not limited to:

(a) Truthfully and completely administer, record, and represent duties, including but not limited to attendance records, curriculum delivery, and student assessments.

(b) Refrain from soliciting, encouraging, or consummating romantic, sexual, or otherwise inappropriate relationships with current students on or off school premises by written, electronic, verbal, or physical means.

(c) Refrain from possessing, consuming, furnishing, allowing, or working under the influence of alcohol or illegal or unauthorized drugs during professional activities, including but not limited to being on school premises or at school-sponsored events involving students.

(d) Refrain from financial transactions with students, including but not limited to payments, loans, advances, donations, contributions, deposits, or monetary gifts, except for lawful collection and transfer of funds as required by regular school business.

(e) Refrain from violating federal, state, and local laws and/or CAMTC rules and regulations, including but not limited to the reasons for denial or discipline/revocation as stated in CAMTC's Procedures for Denial of Certification or Discipline/Revocation.

b. Maintain policies and procedures for hiring, training, evaluating (including student evaluations), and disciplining faculty.

c. Maintain policies and procedures, minutes, and attendance records for regular massage program staff and faculty meetings and/or trainings.

d. For private post-secondary schools, student-teacher ratios for practical (hands-on) classes may not exceed 25 total students to 1 teacher. For public colleges or universities of the California state higher education system, as defined in Section 100850 of the Education Code, student-teacher ratios shall meet or exceed standards as determined by governing laws and regulations.

H. Facility

a. Appropriate in size and design for the number of students.

b. Sufficient reference materials and other resources to support educational objectives.

- c. Instructional aids and equipment consistent with the educational content, format, and teaching methodology of each course.

I. Student/Graduate Passage Rates on CAMTC Approved Exams

Beginning with graduate passage rates on CAMTC approved exams for calendar year 2015, an approved school's graduate passage rates on CAMTC approved exams shall equal or exceed the required passage rates for the previous calendar year or CAMTC may place the program on probationary status and/or may require the school to appear before CAMTC to present a plan for remediation.

- a. An approved program shall achieve a graduate passage rate on CAMTC approved exams that is not lower than 10 percentage points less than the national average passage rate for graduates of comparable degree programs who are first-time test takers on the CAMTC approved exams during a calendar year.
- b. If the program does not achieve the required passage rate for 2 consecutive calendar years or show significant improvement, CAMTC may revoke approval or take other disciplinary action against the school.

J. Site Visits

- a. CAMTC reserves the right to visit any approved school or school applying for approval during stated business hours with or without notice at any time whatsoever and for any reason.

6. Reasons for Denying or Revoking Approval.

Schools may be denied approval or may have their school approval revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted against for failing to meet or maintain the requirements for approval set forth herein or in CAMTC's Procedures for Un-Approval of Schools or for engaging in unprofessional business practices.

If CAMTC decides to deny approval or revoke approval or otherwise act against a school in relation to its approval status, it will do so in accordance with the procedures set forth in CAMTC's Procedures for Un-Approval of Schools.



Memo

Date: February 17, 2015
To: Board of Directors
From: Ahmos Netanel, CEO
Subject: Recommended new strategic priorities for 2015

On September 30, 2014 the Board adopted a set of strategic priorities for 2015. Since CAMTC functions in a highly fluid environment, senior staff closely monitors and consults the Legislature. It is senior staff's opinion that CAMTC will be well served by replacing the previously adopted priorities with the six listed below:

1. **Local Government** - Improve relationships with cities and counties, especially those that grapple with proliferation of illicit massage parlors. Offer help with the accurate implementation of the Massage Therapy Act.
2. **Certificate Holders** - Gather feedback from certificate holders as to their experience with the implementation of the Massage Therapy Act. Conduct surveys of certificate holders.
3. **Swift Discipline** – Maximize the speed by which CAMTC revokes and/or disciplines certificate holders.
4. **School Approvals** – Fully implement CAMTC's school approval program and inspect all schools wishing to be approved by CAMTC.
5. **BPPE MOU** – Initiate the development of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education.
6. **Foreign Language** – Conduct a study that examines the feasibility and possible protocols of providing an approved exam in at least one foreign language.

If approved by the Board, the above priorities will be reflected in the proposed final 2015 budget, which will be presented to the Board at its next in-person Board meeting.



Memo

Date: February 17, 2015

To: Board of Directors

From: Ahmos Netanel,

Subject: Extension of career opportunity mailing pilot program

On June 27, 2013, the Board approved a pilot career opportunity mailing program (“the program”). The program contained a sunset date of 12/31/2013. While staff developed all necessary protocols and forms, the program was never tested because businesses did not act on this opportunity prior to the program sunset.

In the past several months a couple of companies asked to try this program in order to recruit professional staff. At this point, a Board approval to reinstate the program is needed. Staff recommends making the program available immediately, with a new sunset date of 12/31/2015.

There is nothing in the new law that prohibits or impacts the reinstatement of the program. The fiscal impact for certificate holders may be substantial in that we hope it will create opportunities for positions with businesses that are actively recruiting additional staff. Since the lion’s share of staff time was already spent in establishing the program, we expect additional staff time to be minimal. The program is fully funded by participating businesses.

Certificate holders have been given the opportunity to opt out and to date, 638 requested not to receive the career opportunity mailings. If the program is reinstated, an additional email will be sent to certificate holders with information on how to easily opt out.



Memo

Date: June 20, 2013

To: Board of Directors
California Massage Therapy Council

From: Ahmos Netanel, CEO

Subject: Access to CAMTC's certificate holders by entities that provide career opportunities

Background

Over the past three years staff has received numerous inquiries from massage business owners who are interested in recruiting certified professionals to work at their facilities. At the same time, we hear from certificate holders who are seeking work opportunities. CAMTC is in a unique position to facilitate an efficient communication channel between business owners and certified professionals.

In an effort to develop the best possible protocol for CAMTC, staff researched other practices that included professional associations, National Certification Board of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork, other massage state Boards and California professional Boards under Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA).

DCA does not rent the mailing lists of its boards' licensees, but it does sell them. Anybody can purchase various state boards' mailing lists. There is no vetting of the purchaser and there is no limit to the frequency and use. The names and addresses of most licensed professionals (lawyers, chiropractors,) are not protected in any way nor do they have the option to opt out.

While CAMTC makes the names and city of residence of certificate holders available to the public, it does not disclose full addresses. I recommend maintaining this policy. Because of the unique nature of the massage profession, it is my opinion that following DCA's policy represents a potential risk to the wellbeing of CAMTC's certified professionals. Since CAMTC is a private nonprofit corporation and not part of State government, it is in the unique position to protect the certificate holders' private information from being indiscriminately exposed and distributed.

Recommendation

Since there are many potential unknowns in implementing a program relating to this subject, I am recommending a pilot program which will automatically sunset on December 31, 2013, unless the Board decides to extend it. The Board should reserve the right to cancel this program in its discretion at any time.

The program I envision would include the following:

1. Notice to certificate holders - Prior to launching this program CAMTC will mail postcards and send emails to all certificate holders giving them an easy way to opt out online. In addition, application forms will also provide new and recertifying individuals the choice to opt out.
2. Vetting- Massage businesses offering career opportunity to massage professionals would submit a request that includes copy and artwork of proposed mailing. I will review the appropriateness of the promotional piece and will have full discretion to approve, disapprove or recommend revisions.
3. Mailing – CAMTC will select a bona fide reputable mailing house subject to a confidentiality agreement with CAMTC regarding the mailing list. The return address for all mailings will be the mailing house, enabling CAMTC to correct addresses of returned mail. Under no circumstance will addresses will be released to the participating businesses.
4. Disclaimers- CAMTC will specify in its agreements with massage businesses that it makes no warranties or promises regarding the fitness or quality of any individual certificate holder except that they met our education and background check requirements *at the time of certification*. CAMTC will also inform certificate holders that CAMTC does not endorse or recommend any business.
5. Cost- Participating massage businesses will pay the entire actual cost of every mailing (printing, envelopes, postage), plus an administrative fee. I will develop a fee structure to be charged to the advertising businesses. The fee structure will have to be approved by the Chair and the Board's Outreach Liaison and will be sent to the Board prior to implementation.

CORPORATE BANKING RESOLUTION

(for Deposit Accounts)

Depositor: CALIFORNIA MASSAGE THERAPY COUNCIL
ONE CAPITOL MALL, STE 320
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

Financial Institution: EH National Bank
Main Office
8484 Wilshire Blvd
Suite 100
Beverly Hills, CA 90211

Account No: 000704774

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Corporation named above, HEREBY CERTIFY that the Corporation is organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of California as a non-profit corporation, with its principal office at **ONE CAPITOL MALL, STE 320, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814**

ACCOUNT HOLDER. CALIFORNIA MASSAGE THERAPY COUNCIL is the complete and correct name of the Account Holder.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, duly and regularly called and held on _____, at which a quorum was present and voting, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Financial Institution named above at any one or more of its offices or branches, be and it hereby is designated as a depository for the funds of this Corporation, which may be withdrawn on checks, drafts, advices of debit, notes or other orders for the payment of monies bearing the following appropriate number of signatures: Any one (1) of the following named officers or employees of this Corporation ("Agents"), whose actual signatures are shown below:

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AHMOS NETANEL, CEO of CALIFORNIA MASSAGE
THERAPY COUNCIL

X 

MICHAEL MARYLANDER, CFO of CALIFORNIA
MASSAGE THERAPY COUNCIL

and that the Financial Institution shall be and is authorized to honor and pay the same whether or not they are payable to bearer or to the individual order of any Agent or Agents signing the same.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Financial Institution is hereby directed to accept and pay without further inquiry any item drawn against any of the Corporation's accounts with the Financial Institution bearing the signature or signatures of Agents, as authorized above or otherwise, even though drawn or endorsed to the order of any Agent signing or tendered by such Agent for cashing or in payment of the individual obligation of such Agent or for deposit to the Agent's personal account, and the Financial Institution shall not be required or be under any obligation to inquire as to the circumstances of the issue or use of any item signed in accordance with the resolutions contained herein, or the application or disposition of such item or the proceeds of the item.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any one of such Agents is authorized to endorse all checks, drafts, notes and other items payable to or owned by this Corporation for deposit with the Financial Institution, or for collection or discount by the Financial Institution; and to accept drafts and other items payable at the Financial Institution.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above named agents are authorized and empowered to execute such other agreements, including, but not limited to, special depository agreements and arrangements regarding the manner, conditions, or purposes for which funds, checks, or items of the Corporation may be deposited, collected, or withdrawn and to perform such other acts as they deem reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of these resolutions. The other agreements and other acts may not be contrary to the provisions contained in this Resolution.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the authority hereby conferred upon the above named Agents shall be and remain in full force and effect until written notice of any amendment or revocation thereof shall have been delivered to and received by the Financial Institution at each location where an account is maintained. Financial Institution shall be indemnified and held harmless from any loss suffered or any liability incurred by it in continuing to act in accordance with this resolution. Any such notice shall not affect any items in process at the time notice is given.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the persons named above occupy the positions set forth opposite their respective names and signatures; that the foregoing Resolutions now stand of record on the books of the Corporation; that they are in full force and effect and have not been modified in any manner whatsoever.