Board Meeting Minutes of 3/18/2024

**Board Members Present:**
- Joanna Robertson - Chair
- Anna Larsen
- Samantha Scholer
- Melissa Goldsmith

**Board Members Absent:**
- Katina Ross

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Joanna Robertson.

**Approval of Minutes**
A motion was made and seconded to approve the 12/12/2022 and 12/4/2023 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**
Barbara DeHaan, Northwest Career Colleges of Idaho, gave an update on Representative Smucker's bill to return school hour requirements to 150% to qualify for Title IV federal funding.

**DIVISION BUSINESS**
**2024 Legislative Session Overview:** Mr. Price stated the Board rules are before the House and Senate. He also stated that H505 passed the House and Senate and is currently before the Governor.

**DOPL Legal Consistency:** Mr. Loos discussed the Board’s role and summarized the policies for conflicts-of-interest, virtual meeting participation, and communication with legislators.

**Financial Report:** Mr. Price presented the financial report.

**Five-Year Projection of Cash Balances:** Mr. Price presented the Board’s five-year cash balance projection and stated that the cash reserves should be approximately 15-18 months of operating costs. The Board discussed options for reducing its cash balance.

**BOARD BUSINESS**
**FSMTB Presentation:** Kevin Snedden, Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB), gave a presentation on the role of FSMTB and its relation to the licensing board and massage schools.

**School Training Presentation:** Mr. Price presented a training PowerPoint created for schools to educate their students on the Board’s function and processes. The Board and members of the public provided feedback.
**Myopractics Therapy:** Ms. Villarreal stated that a school of myopractics is seeking to determine if its courses are germane to massage therapy and if they can be used to obtain a massage therapy license. Following discussion, the Board tabled the matter until more information about the myopractic courses is provided.

**Conference Updates and Reports:** Ms. Robertson summarized the FARB conference she attended.

**AMTA-Idaho Conferences Attendance:** A motion was made and seconded to send two Board members to the AMTA-Idaho Conference. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to send two staff members to the AMTA-Idaho Conference. The motion carried unanimously.

**Title IV Update:** If Congress does not pass H.R. 7810, Mr. Price stated that a statutory change would be needed to bring schools that obtain federal funding into compliance.

**Licensing Report:** Ms. Guille presented the licensing report.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

The next meeting is on 6/17/2024.