

**ND Board of Massage Therapy
January 14, 2019
Special Meeting Minutes
NDBMT Office, 2900 E. Broadway Ave., Ste. 2, Bismarck, ND**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Heidi Strain, at 9:00 AM.

Present

Chair – Heidi Strain; Gail Hovden; Rebecca Forde.
Others: Nikki Owings; Sandra DePountis, Legal Counsel.

Absent

Jennifer Staska; vacant consumer position.

2019 Proposed Legislation

HB1017 – No hearing date set yet. Board has already approved testimony.

HB1172 – Representative Keiser visited with Hovden about this bill. He said it is to get the Board current with other licensure boards. Board will continue to monitor.

HB1253 – Board reviewed testimony.

SB2126 – Board reviewed testimony.

SB2127 – Board reviewed testimony.

It was **moved and seconded** to approve the testimonies for HB1253, SB2126, and SB2127. (Forde/Hovden/carried) [Roll call: Forde (y); Hovden (y); Strain (y)] [Staska absent]

Board office will post a news article regarding the Board’s opposition to these three bills on the website and send an e-newsletter to all licensees.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 AM.

Chair

Date

Vice Chair

Date