Minutes for January 2016 AMTA GR teleconference Submitted by Christen Corvington

In attendance: Christen Corvington (AMTA), Garin Vorthmann (CLS), Chris Smith (CSHA), Hailey Strampel (AMTA), Laura Embleton (AMBP), Garin Vorthmann, Ed Jerzyk (AMTA-National), Roger Patrizio (Co institute co springs), Dennis Simpson (CSHA)

8 am meeting comes to order

Garin: Update with DORA proposals, lobbyist with DORA should have draft language by end of this week and we will forward it on-address questions via email. Don't anticipate major issues Waiting for language from Rep Carver's bill, she's in CO Springs/El Paso County. Dealing with business license side of dealing with human trafficking more than license regulation.

Roger: just sent most recent draft of Rep Carver's proposed legislation to Christen that maybe fills in loopholes to Act; doesn't affect Therapists, its more about business licensing side, making some of these parlors and foot spas get establishment licenses, will send it along to Garin.

Flagged one bill HB 1033—flagged it because it had human trafficking in it; it's really just a house keeping issue bill for reimbursement, don't need to keep monitoring it

MTLAD-9-1 ON March 30<sup>th</sup> at the Capitol

Dennis: What does everyobody think/feel about raising the bar from 500 hours—meaning we can't have a school offer a program greater than 750 hours (based on a 1994 regulation law)? Garin will talk to DORA—think we would have to open up the Act to do it, and see how we would pursue that. "alert for massage schools" on DPOS website that went out on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Discussion ensued.

Laura: google ELAP massage therapy (a project done my MT organizations done in 2012, recommends 625 hours for massage ed). We could use this as support to begin raising the bar.

8:30 meeting adjourns Next teleconference Wednesday February 3, 2016 8 am.