

**BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR ACUPUNCTURE**  
**MINUTES**

**Date:** February 9, 2010

**Time:** 1:00 p.m.

**Location:** Poplar Conference Room  
227 French Landing  
Heritage Place MetroCenter  
Nashville, TN 37243

**Members Present:** Mary Anne Johnson, Chair, Consumer  
Peggy Watson, Co-Chair, LAC  
Jill Kelly, LAC  
Serina Scott, LAC

**Staff Present:** Marsha Arnold, Unit Manager  
Maryam Kassae, Advisory Attorney  
Rosemarie Otto, Executive Director  
Elizabeth Miller, HRB Director

A quorum being present, Ms. Johnson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Shiva Bozarth introduced Ms. Maryam Kassae as the new advisory attorney for the Committee.

**Approval of Minutes**

After reviewing the minutes from the August 25, 2009 meeting as presented, Ms. Scott made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Kelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Manager's Report**

Ms. Arnold, Unit Manager, reviewed the Manager's report with the members present. Ms. Arnold reported that between August 1, 2009 and January 31, 2010 the office had received 3 new applications, issued 3 new licenses, and mailed out 21 renewal applications. She reported that the total number of active acupuncturists is 104 and active ADS is 10. The Committee requested that Ms. Arnold provide a report at the next

meeting showing how many people were licensed by year since acupuncturists first became licensed in Tennessee.

### **Bureau Office**

Ms. Miller, Director of Health Related Boards, provided the Committee a draft copy of a budget which showed Actual Revenue and Expenditures as of June 30, 2009. The report revealed the total amount of fees received in FY 2009 was \$28,171.58 and the total expenditures were \$8,128.01. A motion was made by Ms. Scott and seconded by Ms. Kelly to discuss a possible reduction of fees at the next meeting.

### **Division of Investigations**

The Investigative Report which was reviewed by Ms. Otto showed there is only one open complaint in the Office of Investigations.

### **Disciplinary Coordinator**

Ms. Otto also informed the Committee on behalf of the Disciplinary Coordinator that there are no acupuncturists currently being monitored in the Disciplinary Coordinator's office.

### **CME – Continuing Medical Education Audit**

Ms. Otto reported on behalf of the CME Audit Office that out of 9 licensees that were audited, 8 licensees were in compliance with 1 non-compliant. This represents an overall 89% compliance rate.

### **Legislation**

Ms. Otto stated that the Committee's sunset bill was reviewed by the Legislature, and the Committee was approved to operate until the year 2013.

### **File Review and Approval of Applications**

Ms. Scott made a motion to approve the list of new applications for licensure as presented and Ms. Watson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The following people were approved for licensure: Susan Elizabeth Maxwell, Carolyn Ann Weisenberger, and Kevin Stewart Daggett. The list will be presented to the Board of Medical Examiners for ratification at their March 16, 2010 meeting.

### **Jung Suk Lee**

Mr. Jung Suk Lee submitted an application for licensure by reciprocity in January, 2009. The Committee's consultant reviewed the file and recommended denial of licensure

because Maryland's licensure requirements do not meet or exceed the requirements for licensure in Tennessee. Specifically the applicant is not certified by the NCCAOM. The Committee decided at the last meeting to afford Mr. Lee an opportunity to become certified by the NCCAOM. Since Mr. Lee did not provide the proper documentation by the February, 2010 meeting Ms. Watson made a motion to close Mr. Lee's application file and Ms. Kelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting for the Committee is scheduled for September 28, 2010 in the Poplar Room at 1:00 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, Ms. Scott made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Kelly seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The Committee adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

**These minutes were ratified by the Acupuncture Committee September 28, 2010.**