

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

**MINUTES
AMENDED**

Date: March 28, 2006

Time: 1:00 P. M., CST

Location: Cumberland Room
Ground Floor, Cordell Hull Building
425 Fifth Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37247

Members Present: Judi Harrick, Chair
Peggy Watson, LAC
Yeu-Quang Wong, LAC

Staff Present: Marsha Arnold, Unit Manager
Rebecca Brown, Board Administrator
Jerry Kosten, Regulations Manager
Robert Kraemer, Advisory Attorney
Rosemarie Otto, Executive Director

A quorum being present, Ms. Harrick called the meeting to order at 1:08 P.M., CST.

Approval of Minutes

After reviewing the minutes from the September 6, 2005 meeting as presented Ms. Watson made a motion to approve. Mr. Wong seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Manager's Report

Ms. Arnold, Unit Manager, reviewed the report with the members present. The activities transpired between September 1, 2005 and February 28, 2006 for the total number of 89 active licensees.

Office of General Counsel

Mr. Kraemer informed the Committee of various Housekeeping Rules.

Criminal Background Checks and Continuing Education – (05-1140) went to rulemaking hearing on June 6, 2005. It was adopted by the Council on September 6, 2006 and was signed by the Attorney General, filed with the Secretary of State on March 17, 2006 and becomes effective on May 31, 2006.

Screening Panels and Stay and Reconsiderations – (05-1436) was an amendment and went to rulemaking hearing on December 21, 2005.

Bureau Office

In the absence of Lisa Tittle of the Bureau Office, Ms. Otto reviewed a draft of the financial report with the board members. The Advisory Committee has a projected cumulative carryover as of June 30, 2005 of \$26,625.51.

Ms. Otto also reported the Committee was up for Sunset Review at the Legislature and reported the Acupuncture Committee has been extended for another four years.

Division of Investigations

We do not have a report at this time.

Disciplinary Coordinator

We do not have a report at this time.

Letter from the Board of Medical Examiners

Mr. Kraemer presented to the Committee with a copy of the letter the Board of Medical Examiners sent to the General Assembly regarding Senate Bill 3421, House Bill 3205 regarding the practice of Acupuncture by Chiropractors. After review and discussion, Ms. Otto informed the Committee a copy of the letter will be attached electronically with the minutes on the website.

Rules

Mr. Kosten, Regulations Manager, informed the Committee that there were no comments received at the rulemaking hearing concerning Screening Panels, Stays and Reconsiderations for Acupuncturists held on December 21, 2005. After the Committee reviewed the rule, Ms. Watson made a motion to adopt the rule and Mr. Wong seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the rule passed unanimously.

File Review and Approval of Applications

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

The files of Hayat Denise Golota Ader-Ruh, James Brian Forsythe, Heng Liu, Alex Sung Nam, Philip Alan Simpson, Shirin Sobrabi and Charles Martin Sullivan were reviewed by the Committee for transmittal to the Medical Board for final approval.

Noteworthy Information

There are no new updates at this time to report.

Next Meeting

The next meeting for the Committee has been scheduled for September 12, 2006 in the Cumberland Room on the Ground Floor of the Cordell Hull Building at 1:00P.M., CST.

Adjournment

With no further business, Ms. Watson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Wong seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The Committee adjourned at 1:52 P.M., CST.

The Committee ratified the minutes on September 12, 2006.

Peggy Watson, LAC
Co-Chair