

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR ACUPUNCTURE
MINUTES

Date: September 12, 2006

Time: 1:00 P. M., CST

Location: Health Related Boards Conference Room
227 French Landing, Suite 300
Heritage Place MetroCenter
Nashville, TN 37243

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

Staff Present: Marsha Arnold, Unit Manager
Robbie Bell, Director of Health Related Boards
Rebecca Brown, Board Administrator
Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney
Rosemarie Otto, Executive Director

Staff Absent: Robert Kraemer, Advisory Attorney

A quorum being present, Ms. Harrick called the meeting to order at 1:20 P.M., CST.

Approval of Minutes

After reviewing the minutes from the March 28, 2006 meeting as presented, Ms. Landress noticed an error which will need to be corrected. Ms. Watson made a motion to approve, the minutes as amended and Ms. Harrick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Manager's Report

Ms. Arnold, Unit Manager, reviewed the report found in the side pocket of their board books with the members present. The activities transpired between March 1, 2006 and August 31, 2006. Ms. Arnold reported the total number of active licensees is 95.

Office of General Counsel

In the absence of Mr. Kraemer, Nicole Armstrong informed the Committee on the status of various Rules.

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

Screening Panels and Stays and Reconsiderations – (05-1436) This rule amendment went to rulemaking hearing on December 21, 2005. It was adopted by the Council on March 28, 2006 and was adopted by the Board on May 16, 2006. It was sent to the Attorney General on May 22, 2006. It is still there.

Topics for Discussion: Legislation- Public Chapter

718 Establishes a new Sunset date for the Advisory Committee for Acupuncture – June 30, 2010.

775 Authorizes chiropractic physicians to practice acupuncture upon completion of 250 hours of training and passage of a chiropractic acupuncture exam. It prohibits chiropractic physicians from advertising that they are “certified acupuncturists.”

Public Chapters **558, 560, 663** and **973** were included in their books for later review by Committee members.

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, 2006 of \$45,823.59.

Ms. Robbie Bell, Director of Health Related Boards, stated that in reviewing their surplus that they may want to consider lowering their renewal fees in the future.

Division of Investigations

Ms. Otto reported there had been one complaint received but the complaint had been closed.

Disciplinary Coordinator

Ms. Otto informed the Committee that we do not have a report at this time.

File Review and Approval of Applications

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

The following people were approved for licensure: Gil Ben-Ami, Chad Joseph Dupuis, Maile Dawn Ellis, Nelson Andres Martinez, Yong Ik Oh, Richard William Ruth and Chien Yuan Ly. The list will be presented to the Board of Medical Examiners for final ratification at their September meeting.

Noteworthy Information

There are no new updates at this time to report.

Next Meeting

The next meeting for the Committee was scheduled for February 20, 2007 in the Health Related Boards Conference Room of the Heritage Place MetroCenter at 1:00 P.M., CST.

Adjournment

With no further business, Ms. Harrick made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Watson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The Committee adjourned at 1:40 P.M., CST.

The Committee ratified these minutes on February 20, 2007.

Peggy Watson, LAC
Co-Chair