

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 6, 2008

The meeting was called to order on June 6, 2008 at 12:43 p.m. by Terry Glenn Rascoe, M.D., Presiding Officer. Board members present were Pedro (Pete) V. Garcia; Chung-Hwei Chernly, L.Ac.; Jr.; Raymond J. Graham; Hoang Xiong Ho, L.Ac.; Donald Counts, M.D.; Allen Cline, L.Ac.; and Karen Siegel, L.Ac. Staff members present were Jane McFarland, Chief of Staff; Robert Simpson, General Counsel; Mari Robinson, Director of Enforcement; Jaime Garanflo, Director of Licensure; and various other staff.

Agenda item #2, Board Member Report. Dr. Rascoe introduced and welcomed new board members Allen Cline, L.Ac., and Karen Siegel, L.Ac. Dr. Rascoe made a statement in recognition and appreciation to Ms. Lin, past board member and Assistant Presiding Officer, thanking her for her service and dedication to the board.

Agenda item #3, Executive Directors Report. On his retirement, Dr. Patrick expressed his appreciation to the board, saying it was a pleasure working with each of the board members.

Agenda item #4, Consideration and Approval of Non-Public Rehabilitation Orders and Modification Request/Termination Request of Non-Public Rehabilitation Orders. After discussion, Mr. Garcia moved, Dr. Counts seconded, and the motion passed to approve Non-Public Rehabilitation Order # 1.

Agenda item #5, Consideration and Approval of Agreed Orders. After discussion, Mr. Garcia moved, Mr. Ho seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Agreed Order for Deborah Bleecker, L.Ac., as written.

There were no items for Agenda items # 6-12.

Agenda item #13, Discussion, recommendation and possible action regarding the rule review and proposed amendments to Chapter 183, Acupuncture in 22 TAC. After discussion, Mr. Cline moved, Mr. Graham seconded, and the motion passed to approve the rule review and proposed amendments with the following changes:

- a. 183.2. Definitions. Add a Biomedicine Module.
- b. 183.4. Licensure. Revise three attempts to five attempts, each component of the full National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM) examination.
- c. 183.10. Patient Records. Revise vital signs to include body temperature, pulse or heart rate, and blood pressure upon initial presentation of the patient, and those vital signs as deemed appropriate by the practitioner for follow-up treatment.
- d. 183.20. Continuing Acupuncture Education. Add (5) Effective for licensees applying for renewal of their licenses on or after November 30, 2010, at least one hour of biomedicine.

Agenda item #14, Consideration and Approval of the February 1, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes. After discussion, **Mr. Garcia moved, Mr. Graham seconded, and the motion passed to approve the February 1, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes and action items.**

Agenda item #15, Committee Reports and the consideration of approval of minutes and action items of committees meeting during the board meeting.

Mr. Garcia gave a report of the Licensure Committee. After discussion, **Mr. Garcia moved, Mr. Graham seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Licensure Committee minutes and action items.**

Dr. Rascoe gave a report of the Education Committee. After discussion, **Dr. Rascoe moved, Mr. Garcia seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Education Committee minutes and action items.**

Mr. Graham gave a report of the Discipline and Ethics Committee. After discussion, **Mr. Graham moved, Mr. Garcia seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Discipline and Ethics Committee minutes and action items**

Agenda item #15, Election of Assistant Presiding Officer. Mr. Garcia nominated Mr. Ho, who declined to accept the nomination. **Ms. Seigel moved, Dr. Ho seconded, and the motion passed to elect Allen Cline, L.Ac., Assistant Presiding Officer.**

There being no further agenda items the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

**Consideration and Approval of February 2, 2007 Board
Meeting Minutes**

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