

Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Allen D. Cline, L.Ac., Presiding Officer. Board members Donna S. Guthery, L.Ac., Assistant Presiding Officer, Mary E. Hebert, M.D., Rachelle L. Webb, L.Ac., and Grant E. Weidler, MAOM, L.Ac. were present. Claudine K. Vass, Raymond J. Graham, and Jeremy Wiseman, M.D., did not attend. Staff members present were Stephen 'Brint' Carlton, J.D., Executive Director; Scott Freshour, General Counsel, Wendy Pajak, Assistant General Counsel; Robert Bredt, M.D., Medical Director; and the Assistant General Counsels, Yvette Yarbrough, J.D., and Amy Swanholm, J.D.; and various other staff.

Agenda Item #2, Training. Mr. Cline presented the training manual that was provided to the new board members.

Agenda Item #3, Board Member Report. Mr. Cline presented letter from John Lunstroth to the board. The board directed staff to send a response.

Agenda Item #4, Executive Director's Report.

Legislative update – Mr. Carlton gave an update on the second round of the Sunset Review. The Sunset Bill was passed by the House and is in the Senate. Ms. Goode gave an update on the April 4th visit to the Capitol. Ms. Goode also gave clarification on fingerprints needed for acupuncture and surgical assistants by September 2021.

Budget update – Mr. Carlton presented and reviewed the 2018 FY budget report. The budget is on target for the year.

Agenda Item #5, Medical Director Report. There were not items for this agenda

item.

Agenda Item #6, Consideration and possible action regarding pending litigation. There were no items for this agenda item.

Agenda Item #7, Review, discussion, and possible action regarding selected files and cases. Ms. Webb moved, Ms. Guthery seconded, and the motion passed to approve Log #19-1486 for dismissal. There were no items for Agenda Items #8-21.

Agenda Item #22, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding adoption rule review and proposed amendments to 22 T.A.C. Chapter 183. Acupuncture. Wendy gave update on the proposed rule for adoption. After discussion, Ms. Webb moved, Mr. Weidler seconded, and the motion passed to approve the rule as proposed for adoption.

Agenda Item #23, Open forum for public comments. No one signed in for public comments.

Agenda Item #24, Consideration and approval of February 1, 2019 Acupuncture Examiners Board Meeting Minutes. After discussion, Ms. Webb moved, Ms. Guthery seconded, and the motion passed to approve the February 1, 2019 Acupuncture Board Meeting Minutes and action items.

Agenda Item #25, Committee reports and the consideration and approval of committee action items.

A report of the Education Committee was presented. Ms. Guthery moved, Mr. Cline seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Licensure Committee minutes and action items.

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There being no additional items, Ms. Webb moved, Mr. Weidler seconded and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 a.m.