



TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINERS
LICENSURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
July 25, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by the Chair, Allen Cline, L.Ac. Committee members present were Rey Ximenes, M.D., and Jingyu Gu, L.Ac.

Agenda Item 2 – Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding applicants appearing concerning eligibility.

Applicant #1559 appeared before the Committee on appeal of the Executive Director's determination that the applicant work under a six month supervised temporary license due to the applicant's time out of practice. **Dr. Ximenes moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a temporary license with an expiration date that will allow the applicant to obtain at least 10 hours a week supervised practice for at least 20 weeks in a 12-month period, subject to the following restrictions: that the applicant work in a traditional acupuncture setting with acupuncture supervision or in a hospice setting with physician supervision that provides continuous full-time, on-site supervision by a licensed acupuncturist or licensed physician. The supervising acupuncturist or physician shall submit, one month prior to the temporary license expiring, a log showing time worked, and a report regarding the applicant's work performance if the evaluation(s) are favorable, the applicant's name may be placed on a list of applicants who have met all requirements for licensure to be considered at the following Board meeting; if the evaluation(s) are unsatisfactory, the applicant will be required to appear at the following Board meeting for reconsideration of the application.** Factors influencing this recommendation include that the applicant has not practiced acupuncture since November 2011, but practiced continuously from September 2008 to November 2011. **Mr. Gu seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

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Applicant #1565 did not appear before the Committee on appeal of the Executive Director's determination of ineligibility, but the applicant's appeal was considered. **Dr. Ximenes moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant's appeal be denied and that the applicant be determined ineligible for relicensure.** Factors influencing this recommendation include that the applicant does not meet the current licensing requirements and has not practiced as an acupuncturist since October 2010. **Mr. Gu seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

Agenda Item 3 – Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding applicants for a Texas Acupuncture License: There were 32 licensure applicants who met all requirements to be considered for acupuncture licensure by the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners (TSBAE). **Dr. Ximenes moved, Mr. Gu seconded and the motion passed to recommend to the full board that the 32 licensure applicants be approved for licenses and that their names be listed as part of the minutes of this Committee.**

Agenda Item 4 – Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding proposed orders offered by the Executive Director. Ms. Knight reported on one acupuncture licensure order offered by the Executive Director and accepted by the applicant. **Dr. Ximenes moved to recommend to the full Board that the orders be approved. Mr. Gu seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

Agenda Item 5 - Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding evaluation of acceptable approved acupuncture schools. Ms. Knight discussed the policy of obtaining international education evaluations for applicants who graduated from a school from which the Board has never licensed. Currently applicants are required to have their education evaluated by the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (ACCRAO). Ms Knight proposed that education evaluations by the World Education Services (WES) and Foreign Credentials Services of America (FCSA) also be accepted. The Committee directed staff to accept evaluations from WES and FCSA.

Agenda Item 6 - Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding Board Rules

b. 183.11

Mr. Gu moved to recommend to the full Board that the rule as presented be published in the Texas Register for public comment. Dr. Ximenes seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

a. 183.4(a) (8) – Licensure

Dr. Ximenes moved to recommend to the full Board that the rule as presented be published in the Texas Register for public comment. Mr. Gu seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Agenda Item 7 - Discussion, recommendation and possible action regarding requiring NPDB reports for Acupuncture applicants. Ms. Knight proposed requiring acupuncture applicants to obtain a National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) report as part of the application process. Ms. Knight explained that under the current process applicants are required to submit licensure verifications for each state they report being licensed in. However, if an applicant failed to report a state license on their application staff would be unaware of any actions in that state. The NPDB report would provide a complete report of the applicant's licensing history, including any actions taken by another state board. **Dr. Ximenes moved to recommend to the full board that acupuncture applicants be required to submit an NPDB report as part of application. Mr. Gu seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Agenda Item #3 - Applicants for a Texas Acupuncture License

LIST OF AC APPLICANTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPLIC. STATUS</u>	<u>STATUS DATE</u>
ALTENDORFER, TARYN JODI	CS	06/24/2014
ANDREAS, ELISSA	CS	04/14/2014
BLANK, SARA FLORIDA	CS	04/02/2014
BURY, JENNIFER	CS	03/18/2014
CHEEK, STEPHANIE LEE	CS	05/14/2014
CHEN ANGLIKER, ISABELLE	CS	05/06/2014
COELHO, ROSIE	CS	06/10/2014
CUI, LIN	CS	06/17/2014
DORSEY, MATTHEW	CS	04/23/2014
EARLEY, LORI	CS	03/19/2014
ELLERIE, KATHLEEN	CS	02/25/2014
HEO, EUN HA	CS	06/24/2014
HSIEH, CHIUHUI CHELSEA	CS	06/16/2014
HUGHES, LAURA GENEVIEVE	CS	05/01/2014
HWANG, WONMAN	CS	03/21/2014
JIMENEZ VIDAL, MAITE	CS	06/16/2014
KARP, ABIGAIL JOAN	CS	02/27/2014
KING, DIANE CELESTE	CS	07/10/2014
KUNG, DEBBIE	CS	06/23/2014
LARGEY, TIFFANY KAYE	CS	04/07/2014
LIANG, SHUMEI	CS	06/02/2014
LIOU, ISAAC CHUNG	CS	05/15/2014
NGUYEN, ANTHONY	CS	04/16/2014
NICHOLS, JAMIE	CS	07/02/2014
PENG, XIAOLI	CS	07/23/2014
REYNOLDS, DEVON SCOTT	CS	05/01/2014
RIVERA, ANN MARIE	CS	04/09/2014
STUART, JONATHAN BARRETT	CS	03/27/2014
SUN, TIANYING	CS	05/22/2014
VAN VULPEN, ENGELINA	CS	04/07/2014
WU, GUANRU	CS	04/04/2014
WU, HENRY DEHUI	CS	05/27/2014

Total – 32

Agenda Item 4 – Proposed orders offered by the Executive Director

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Applicant #

1529

Type of Application

Acupuncture Licensure

Type of Order

Remedial Plan