TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINERS EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 27, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chair, Terry Glenn Rascoe, M.D.; Committee members present were Sheng Ting (Sam) Chen; Chung-Hwei Chernly, L.Ac.; Meng-Sheng Linda Lin, L.Ac.; and Raymond J. Graham.

Agenda item #4, regarding standards to be used for assessing whether a school or degree program adequately prepares an individual for the practice of acupuncture. The Committee heard a presentation by David Linkletter of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The Committee had no additional input regarding the standards.

Mr. Graham moved that the Committee recess at 12:26 p.m. in order to convene the full Board for a special presentation. Dr. Counts seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Education Committee reconvened at 1:24 p.m.

Agenda item #3, regarding requests for approval of continuing acupuncture education courses, was considered. Ms. Lin moved to recommend to the full board that all courses reviewed by this committee be resolved as noted and that they be listed as part of the minutes of this committee. Mr. Chernly seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Committee directed staff to ensure that all applications for continuing education be typewritten and include the hour-by-hour breakdown before they are submitted to the Committee for review.

Dr. Rascoe appointed an ad hoc committee to review the issue of consistency in the awarding of continuing education hours. Dr. Rascoe named Mr. Graham as Chair, and Mr. Chernly and Ms. Lin as Committee members. Ms. Garanflo will provide the ad hoc committee with a list of possible resources, such as stakeholders.

There being no further business, Mr. Graham moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:19 p.m. Mr. Chernly seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.