

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINERS
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 28, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Acting Chair, Terry Glenn Rascoe, M.D.; Committee members present were Sheng Ting Chen; Chung-Hwei Chernly, L.Ac.; Meng-Sheng Linda Lin, L.Ac.; and Claire H. Smith.

Agenda item #3, regarding requests for approval of continuing acupuncture education courses, was considered.

The Committee reviewed the courses provided by Academy of Oriental Medicine of Austin, Texas. Following discussion, **Ms. Smith moved to recommend to the full Board the approval of the courses: Introduction to Chinese Medicine (4 general hours); Advanced Needling Techniques (8 general hours); Acupuncture& Role in Integrative Medicine (4 general hours); Understanding Herb-Drug Interactions (8 herbal hours); Swamplands of the Body PThe Pathology and Treatment of Dampness and Phlegm (8 general hours). Ms. Lin seconded, Mr. Chen voted in favor and Mr. Chernly abstained. The motion passed.**

Agenda item #2, Executive Session, was considered. Ms. Smith moved, Mr. Ho seconded, and the motion passed at 11:03 a.m. to go into executive session for private consultation and advice of counsel concerning pending or contemplated litigation, deliberations concerning licensure applications, and/or possible disciplinary action under the authority of the Open Meetings Act, GOVERNMENT CODE, '551.071; and the Medical Practice Act, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE ANNOTATED, '152.009; and TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE ANNOTATED, '205.304; and Attorney General& Opinion No. H-484.

Open session resumed at 11:13 a.m. and it was announced that no action was taken during executive session. A certified agenda was made.

Following Executive Session, Mr. Chernly announced that he would recuse himself from all discussion and voting at this Committee meeting. A course taught by Mr. Chernly and submitted for consideration prior to Mr. Chernly's appointment was discovered to be in the packet of courses to be considered for approval.

Ms. Lin moved to request additional information on Esoteric Acupuncture (8 general hours) and Facial Diagnosis in Chinese Medicine (8 general hours). Mr. Chen seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Committee reviewed the courses provided by Blue Poppy Enterprises of Boulder, Colorado. The Committee directed staff to gather a sampling of course evaluations from distance learning courses that have received approval. **Ms. Lin moved to recommend to the full Board that the courses: Treating Infertility with Chinese Medicine (13 herbal hours); Treating Allergies and Autoimmune Disease with Chinese Medicine (15 herbal hours); Stop Sinusitis Fast with Acupuncture; Keep it Away with Herbal Medicine (1 herbal hour); Reading Western Medical Lab Reports (1 general hour); Migraines Can Be Stopped with Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine (1 herbal hour); High Cholesterol: Successful Treatment with Acupuncture and Herbal Therapy (1 herbal hour); Gastro-esophageal Reflux Disease Can Be Treated Successfully with Acupuncture and Herbal Therapy (1 herbal hour); Chinese Medical Ethics (1 ethic hour); Basics of Western Medicine Series: Infectious Diseases (15 general hours); Basics of Western Medicine Series: Neurology for the TCM Practitioner (15 general hours); Basics of Western Medicine Series: Women's Health and Gynecology (15 general hours); Basics of Western Medicine Series: Musculoskeletal Diseases (15 general hours); Returning to the Source: A Deeper Understanding of the Zang-fu & Disease Through the Chinese Medical Classics (15 general hours); and Safely Prescribing Chinese Herbs (4 herbal hours) be approved. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**

The Committee reviewed the course provided by Martha Lucas, Ph.D., L.Ac., of Denver, Colorado. Following discussion, **Mr. Chen moved to recommend to the full Board that**

additional information regarding the instructor's qualifications and reviews of the course as taught be gathered. Ms. Lin seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Committee reviewed the courses provided by the Texas Association of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine **Mr. Chen moved to recommend to the full Board that the courses: Pulse Diagnosis and Treatment Strategy with the Balance Method (7.5 general hours, .6 herbal hours) and Dr. Tan's Application of Master Tong's Points (6 general hours, 2.1 herbal hours) be approved. Ms. Lin seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**

The Committee reviewed the courses provided by Texas College of Traditional Chinese Medicine of Austin, Texas. **Ms. Smith moved to recommend to the full Board that the courses: TCM Treatment of Headache (3 general hours); Ankle and Wrist Acupuncture (2 general hours); TCM Treatment of Irritable Bowel Syndrome (6 general hours); Chinese Medicine Care for Depression (5 general hours); Treatment of Diabetes with Acupuncture and Herbs (3 general hours); Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis with TCM (2 general hours); Acupuncturist's Ethics in Medical Records and Insurance Filing (2 ethics hours); and Ethics for Acupuncturists (1 ethics hour) be approved. Ms. Lin seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed**

There being no further business, **Ms. Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 a.m. Ms. Lin seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**