

Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 27, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:49 a.m. by Allen D. Cline, L.Ac., Presiding Officer. Board members Raymond J. Graham, Donna S. Guthery, L.Ac., Assistant Presiding Officer, Mary E. Hebert, M.D., and Grant E. Weidler, MAOM, L.Ac. were present. Jingyu Gu, L.Ac., Claudine K. Vass, Rachelle L. Webb, L.Ac., 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, Sarah Tuthill, J.D., and Amy Swanholm, J.D.; and various other staff.

Agenda Item #2, Board Member Report. Mr. Cline reported that the NCCAOM now accepts CA state board testing to obtain diplomat status. After discussion, board directed staff to review our current board rules to determine whether NCCAOM's action will affect Texas licensure requirements.

Agenda Item #3, Executive Director's Report.

Legislative update – Mr. Carlton gave an update on the rules that went into effect on September 1, 2019.

Budget update – Mr. Carlton gave an update on the current budget. A new fiscal year just began and the budget is in good standing.

Agenda Item #4, Medical Director Report. There were no items for this agenda item.

Agenda Item #5, Consideration and possible action regarding pending litigation.Mr. Freshour gave an update on pending litigation.

Agenda Item #6, Review, discussion, and possible action regarding selected files and cases.

After discussion, Ms. Guthery moved, Mr. Weidler seconded and the motion passed to approve Log #16-5884 and #19-3229 for dismissal.

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There were no items for Agenda Items #7-9.

Agenda Item #10, Consideration and Approval of Modification Request/Termination Request Orders. After consideration, Ms. Guthery moved, Ms. Hebert seconded and the motion passed to approve the Termination Request Order for William E. Dick, III, L.Ac.

There were no items for Agenda Items #11-21.

Agenda Item #22, Open forum for public comments. No one signed in for public comments.

Agenda Item #23, Consideration and approval of May 10, 2019 Acupuncture Examiners Board Meeting Minutes. After discussion, Ms. Guthery moved, Mr. Graham seconded, and the motion passed to approve the May 10, 2019 Acupuncture Board Meeting Minutes and action items.

The board recessed briefly at 10:10 AM and reconvened at 10:15 AM.

Agenda Item #24, Committee reports and the consideration and approval of committee action items.

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

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

There being no additional items, Ms. Herbert moved, Mr. Graham seconded and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 AM.