

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINERS  
LICENSURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 21, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by the Chair, Allen Cline, L.Ac. Committee members present were Karen Siegel, L.Ac., Rachelle L. Webb, L. Ac., and Rey Ximenes M.D.

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

**Applicant #1170** appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director. **Ms. Siegel** moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a Texas acupuncture license subject to the terms and conditions outlined in the action item attached to these minutes. **Dr. Ximenes** 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 34 licensure applicants and 1 relicensure applicant who met all requirements to be considered for acupuncture licensure by the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners (TSBAE). **Ms. Siegel** moved, **Dr. Ximenes** seconded and the motion passed to recommend to the full board that the 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 rule reviews and proposed additions and modifications to board rules:**

- a. 22 TAC 183.4 Licensure
- b. 22 TAC 183.6 Denial of License; Discipline of Licensee

**Dr. Ximenes** moved to recommend to the full board that the rule be published in the Texas Register for public comment. **Ms. Siegel** seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Committee directed staff to bring the following items for review at the next full Board meeting:

- 1) A draft for a rule regarding a requirement that applicants for acupuncture licensure prove that they have been actively practicing prior to application, with stakeholder comments.
- 2) A draft of a letter to be sent to all the Texas acupuncture schools advising them to be aware of student criminal histories, as the histories, and students failure to disclose them, may affect licensure.
- 3) Language from the current online application regarding academic probation.
- 4) Proposed guidelines for use of a remedial plan as part of the determinations made by the Executive Director in consultation with the Chair of the Licensure Committee regarding issues of application falsification.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.