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STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE

*****PUBLIC NOTICE*****
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 27, 2017 @ 6:30 PM

AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:

Grant Sawyer Building, Office of the Attorney General, 555 East Washington Ave., Room #4500 - Las Vegas, NV 89101.

*****MINUTES*****

1. **CALL TO ORDER (Discussion/For Possible Action)** Maggie Tracey, OMD, President
Roll call to determine presence of a quorum, at 6:30 pm
Board Members Present:
 Dr. Maggie Tracey, OMD
 Dr. Lisa Grant, OMD (via telephone)
 Dr. Vince Link, OMD
 Fely Quitevis
Board Staff:
 Merle Lok, Executive Director
 Asheesh Bhalla, Deputy AG

Public:
 DuWayne Steele
 Youn Harroll
 Walter Harroll
 Naoita Hansen (via telephone)
2. **Public Comment (Discussion Only).**
None
3. **Adoption of agenda (For Possible Action)**
Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve
Second: Dr. Link
Action: Motion carried unanimously
4. **Approve or disapprove the previous board meeting minutes of May 8, 2017 (For Possible Action).**
Motion: Dr. Link motioned to approve

Second: Ms. Quitevis
Action: Motion carried unanimously

5. Update of the Nevada legislative session (For Discussion Only).

Dr. Tracey stated that SB266 passed which was the recommendations of the Sunset Committee. It will increase the Board by 2 members. Dr. Tracey stated that the other bill that passed is the licensee reciprocity bill but it may not affect us as it has to have at least 200 licensees and we do not have 200 licensees. Also, there was a bill between the physical therapists and the chiropractors but they worked it out between themselves.

6. Approve or disapprove of Naoita Hansen's request regarding an apprenticeship-like program (For Possible Action).

[Item was called and Ms. Hansen did not call in yet.] Dr. Tracey stated that there is no avenue for an apprenticeship program under the current statutes. Dr. Tracey stated that there used to be a 10-year apprenticeship program in the past but it has been replaced by requirements for schooling and clinical hours. Dr. Grant stated that if there is no avenue of an apprenticeship in the NRS or NAC, this item should not even be discussed. The AG stated he agreed with Dr. Grant but Ms. Hansen can appear at a later time and request consideration for other things. Dr. Tracey stated that this item will be tabled.

[Item was recalled after Ms. Hansen called in at a later time during the board meeting.] Ms. Hansen wanted to ask whether she could do an apprenticeship program. She attended a master's program in 2003 and she completed all of the program except for the clinical portion. Dr. Tracey stated that she will have the AG look into the statutes regarding the legality of an apprenticeship. Dr. Grant stated that the transcript and hours have to be very specific as they have to fit with current statutes and regulations. Dr. Tracey and Dr. Grant stated that they have concerns whether the statutes allow anyone else other than a licensee to practice acupuncture in a non-school setting. Ms. Hansen stated that she will send in the information requested to the ED. This item is tabled for future discussion.

7. Updates from the President (For Discussion Only).

On 5/9/17, Dr. Tracey spoke at the Board of Health regarding tattoo artists and piercers were piercing clients to treat for seizures, migraines and weight loss and were not qualified to do so. Dr. Tracey stated that research showed that about 60% of the public were getting worse. The Board of Health told Dr. Tracey that the regulations would make sure that the tattoo artists were prohibited from these activities. On 6/17/17, Dr. Tracey attended Wongu's first graduation and was the commencement speaker. On 6/20/17, Dr. Tracey, the AG, and the ED met with the physical therapists' representatives. About 6 years ago, the PTs put dry needling into its scope of practice. Dr. Tracey does not think that this is appropriate as the PTs are using acupuncture points and Kineticore is offering to teach dry needling in 27 hours. Dr. Tracey is concerned about hearing from patients that PTs are using acupuncture points. For future discussions, how does the Board want to address the dry needling issues whether the Board wants to compromise with the PTs or pursue

a prohibition on dry needling like 12 other states have done. Dr. Link agrees that it is absurd that the 27 hours by Kineticore is sufficient for dry needling.

Also, Dr. Tracey proposed that the Board should consider a pay cut of \$25 to \$50 per session as there will be additional board members to decrease the impact of additional members on the budget.

Dr. Tracey provided a Nevada Review article regarding how Nevada was the first state in the union to legalize acupuncture and that it is important to maintain the high standards.

On 8/14/17, Katherine Duncan from the N. Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce reached out regarding Board participation on a panel to discuss alternatives to opiate drugs and Dr. Tracey is waiting for details.

8. Approve or disapprove of Katie Gaffney as an OMD licensee in Nevada. (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve Katie Gaffney as an OMD licensee

Second: Ms. Quitevis

Action: Motion carried unanimously

9. Approve or disapprove of Sunyoung Lee as an OMD licensee in Nevada. (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Link motioned to approve Sunyoung Lee as an OMD licensee

Second: Dr. Grant

Action: Motion carried unanimously

10. Approve or disapprove of Youn Harroll as an OMD licensee in Nevada. (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Link motioned to approve Youn Harroll as an OMD licensee

Second: Dr. Grant

Action: Motion carried unanimously

11. Approve or disapprove of CEU titled 2017/East Meets West for 10 credits sponsored by Nevada Society of Oriental Medicine on 5/20/17 at the Canyon Gate Country Club, Las Vegas, Nevada (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey stated that NAC 634A.137 requires that a person or entity shall not offer a course of continuing education for licensees in this State unless the person or entity has first obtained approval for the course from the Board. The ED stated that CEU courses has been approved after the conference in the past. Dr. Grant stated that Nevada Society of Oriental Medicine should be notified that future CEUs must be submitted for approval prior to the conference.

Motion: Dr. Link motioned to approve

Second: Ms. Quitevis

Action: Motion carried unanimously

12. Approve or disapprove of CEU titled Nevada Acupuncture Relicensure Bundle sponsored by Online Continuing Education online for 10 credits (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey stated that the instructor is a doctor of chiropractor, not an acupuncturist and that the title may be misleading. Dr. Link stated that the hours do not add up to 10 hours for the 10 credits.

Motion: Dr. Link motioned to disapprove

Second: Ms. Quitevis

Action: Motion carried unanimously

13. Approve or disapprove of CEU titled The 8 Extra Vessels and the Extraordinary Meridians sponsored by Online Continuing Education online for 1 credit (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey stated that the instructor is a doctor of chiropractor, not an acupuncturist.

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to disapprove

Second: Ms. Quitevis

Action: Motion carried unanimously

14. Approve or disapprove of Dr. Michael Kerrigan's CEU titled Master Tung's Acupuncture: Allergies, Digestion & Insomnia Strategies for 8 credits sponsored by Lotus Institute of Integrative Medicine online on 5/2/2017 (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Link

Action: Motion carried unanimously

15. Approve or disapprove of CEU titled Advanced Diagnosis Techniques: Palpation for 12 credits sponsored by Nevada Oriental Medicine Association on 10/7-10/7/2017 at the Gold Coast Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Link motioned to approve

Second: Ms. Quitevis

Action: Motion carried unanimously

16. Public Comment (Discussion Only).

There was discussion about how to start a practice in Nevada. The names of the 3 local Oriental Medical associations were mentioned with a suggestion to contact the business licensing department.

17. Adjournment (For Possible Action).

Motion: Ms. Quitevis motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Grant

Action: Motion carried unanimously

Meeting Minutes have been approved.