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ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINING BOARD PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

I ROLL CALL

PRESENT Edith Lee, Henry McCann, Nita Raval, Shoshanna Katzman, Barbara Montana

ABSENT Roger Rossi, Mimi Vassilev-Baker, Karen Wei-Ru Lin, Mark Matzen

ALSO PRESENT Megan Cordoma, DAG
Renee P. Clark, Executive Director
Tanya Gollett, Staff

CALL TO ORDER The regular monthly meeting of the Acupuncture Examining Board was called to order at 124 Halsey Street at 9:30 a.m., all members having been notified of the time, date and, place and materials pertinent hereto having been provided.

SUNSHINE LAW In compliance with Chapter 231 the Public Law of 1975, notice of this was sent to the Courier-Post and the Record.

II. MINUTES

A motion was made by Shoshanna Katzman and seconded by Edith Lee to accept the July 15, 2009 Public Session Minutes. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

III. 2009 ELECTIONS

A motion was made to nominate Henry McCann as Board President and Mimi Vassilev-Baker as secretary to the Board. The motion was made by Shoshanna Katzman and Seconded by Edith Lee. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

IV. 2010 MEETING DATES

January 20
March 17
May 19
July 21
September 15
November 17

V. 2010 EXAMINATION DATES

<u>ASJ</u>	<u>Full Clinical</u>
February 5	April 30
June 25	October 22
August 27	
December 10	

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. NCR Research Institute

This matter was tabled until the next meeting.

B. COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD TO REPORT ON THE NEWLY PROPOSED REGULATIONS

The Board discussed areas for new regulations for the new statute with Regulatory Analyst Charles Manning. A committee of the Board will work on these issues and report back to the Board office in October. Charles Manning will bring back comments for the new rewrite for Board review.

VII. New Acupuncture Statute

Upon a motion made by Shoshanna Katzman and duly seconded by Edith Lee it was moved by unanimous vote that letters should be sent to the current MD/Acupuncturists and Dentist/Acupuncturists registered with the Acupuncture Board regarding change in legislation and that letters should be sent to the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Dentistry regarding the change in legislation and offering to provide consultation upon request.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. MEGAN WILLMAN

Ms. Willman requests that the board allow her to sit for September 25, 2009 ASJ Examination. Upon a motion made by Barbara Montana and duly seconded by Nita Raval, the Board initially moved to deny Megan Willman's request to sit for the September 25, 2009 ASJ Examination because we did not received all required information by the posted deadline, as stated on the website. After the meeting, additional information was brought to the Board's attention, and after taking a poll of the Board members Megan William, and any other applicant who was eligible by the deadline to sit for the September examination, but did not have the opportunity to complete the criminal history will be permitted to sit for the

exam IF a clean criminal history background was received by the Board staff. Also, any applicant who is eligible to sit for the October examination by the deadline, but did not have the opportunity to complete the criminal history until the application package was approved, will be permitted to sit for the exam IF a clean criminal history background is received by the Board staff at least two weeks prior to the date of the October examination. The Board will follow this procedure going forward. This matter will be placed on the November agenda for ratification by the Board.

B. EASTERN SCHOOL

Board to review students foreign transcripts for potential licensure.

Kelly Williams, administrator of Eastern School sent in information regarding two students with foreign transcripts to be reviewed by the Board prior to evaluation or application. Board determined to table review of the transcripts until Henry McCann reviews application and notes that foreign applicants must have their transcripts evaluated by a board approved transcript evaluation service. A Motion was made by Shoshanna Katzman and seconded by Barbara Montana. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

X. JANNA ROME

Ms Rome submitted an application for licensure and indicated that because the new acupuncture statute does not specifically require a two year acupuncture program she should be eligible for licensure. Upon discussion, the Board determined that although the new statute does not refer to a two year requirement for a acupuncture program, the Board does not plan to reduce the minimum educational requirements for licensure. The Board further noted that the new statute does not become effective until November 2, 2009. A motion was made by Barbara Montana and seconded by Nita Rava to return Ms. Rome's application and refund her application fee. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

Edith Lee made a motion to proceed to Executive Session, seconded by Nita Raval, to consider and review advertisement, consumer complaints and other information received pursuant to the Board's investigative authority in order to determine whether violations of law, including Board regulations, have occurred. The results of these deliberations will be made known when, and if, the Board chooses to issue a Uniform Penalty Letter, the action will be taken in Public Session immediately after the Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted
ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINING BOARD

Renee P. Clark, Executive Director