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ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINING BOARD PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES January 20, 2010

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I ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Edith Lee, Henry McCann, Mimi Vassilev-Baker,
Karen Wei-Ru Lin, Roger Rossi, Nita Raval,
Barbara Montana

ABSENT

Shoshanna Katzman

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 Edith Lee and seconded by Mimi Vassilev-Baker to accept November 18, 2009 Public Session Minutes with amendments. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Correspondence from Ben Kavoussi

The Acupuncture Examining Board has reviewed this information as informational. A motion was made by Roger Rossi and seconded by Mimi Vassilev-Baker. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- B. Correspondence from Joy Champion regarding insertion and reinsertion of needles during acupuncture procedures.** Chair direct administrative office to send letter with a copy of the laws and regulations along with a letter indicating the board does not decide compensability. A motion was made by Roger Rossi and seconded by Barbara Montana. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- C. Correspondence from Sabine Heuchert O' Mahony regarding scope of practice questions.** The Board determined that the administrative office should send Ms. O' Mahony a copy of the new statutes and current regulations. A motion was made by Edith Lee and seconded by Karen Wei-Ru Lin. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- D. Correspondence from Young Sik Lim regarding review of his credentials.** The Acupuncture Examining Board determined that Mr. Lim's acupuncture training is acceptable because the program was in ACAOM candidacy status at the time he graduated. The administrative office must send Mr. Lim a letter requesting all other requirements for licensure. A motion was made by Roger Rossi and seconded by Nita Raval. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- E. Physical Therapy Board ruling on Jerry Yoo.** The board reviewed minutes of the September 22, 2009 Physical Therapy Examiners meeting in which the that Board addressed a question involving dry needling by a physical therapist. The Board of Acupuncture noted that the new statute makes unlicensed practice of acupuncture a criminal offense. The Board also determined to ask the Board of Physical Therapy to consider sending a committee to meet with a committee of the Board of Acupuncture to discuss this matter further. The Board of Acupuncture Committee would include Karen Wei-Ru Lin, Roger Rossi and Mimi Vassilev-Baker. A motion was made by Nita Raval and seconded by Roger Rossi. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Barbara Montana 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