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ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINING BOARD PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES NOVEMBER 21, 2012

I ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Shoshanna Katzman, Henry McCann, Roger Rossi

ABSENT

Barbara Montana, Mimi Vassilev-Baker, Nita Raval, Edith Lee, Karen Wei-Ru Lin

ALSO PRESENT

Barbara Lopez, DAG
Renee P. Clark, Executive Director
Tanya Gollett, Staff
There being no quorum, the Board proceeds with a committee of the Board in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Acupuncture Examining Board was called to order at 124 Halsey Street at 10:00 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 Henry McCann and seconded by Roger Rossi to approve the September 19, 2012 Public Session Minutes. The motion carried.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. ASSEMBLY NO.3328

The board supports further exploration of this issue and supports the concept of enabling qualified individuals to have the appropriate means of directing end of life decisions. A motion was made by Henry McCann and seconded by Roger Rossi. The motion carried.

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B. ACCEPTABLE FOREIGN ACUPUNCTURE TRAINING

Ms. Tomaino asked the board whether her attendance at Mebo TCM College was acceptable for licensure. After review, the board determined that it does not accept distance learning programs for entry-level education. A motion was made by Henry McCann and seconded by Roger Rossi. The motion carried.

IV. INFORMATIONAL

JOHN MINI

Mr. Mini sent in a copy of his book entitled, "Marijuana Syndromes" for board review. Board considers the book informational.

V. JAMES SLAYMAKER EMAIL

Mr. Slaymaker's question on offering patients complimentary acupuncture sessions for paying for ten sessions in advance should be directed to his insurance company since it is beyond the purview of the board. A motion was made by Henry McCann and seconded by Roger Rossi. The motion carried.

VI. SUSANNAH PITMAN EMAIL/ACUPUNCTURIST WITHOUT BORDERS

Ms. Pitman asks if acupuncturists licensed in another state can help in future relief efforts, as in the case of Tropical Storm Sandy, in the same manner as guest acupuncturists. The committee of the board determined that guest acupuncturists are allowed only for teaching programs and that there are enough licensed acupuncturists in the state of New Jersey to help in the case of a disaster. A motion was made by Roger Rossi and seconded by Henry McCann. The motion carried.

Henry McCann made a motion seconded by Roger Rossi, to proceed to Executive Session, 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 take public action, the action will be taken in Public Session immediately after the Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted
ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINING BOARD

Renee P. Clark, Executive Director