



**STATE OF NEVADA  
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**\*\*\*PUBLIC NOTICE\*\*\*  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
March 12, 2019 @ 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 (via telephone)

Jennifer Braster (via telephone)

Michael Smith (via telephone)

Dr. Chia Hua Linda Chow, OMD (in person)

Dr. Michael Ferris, OMD (in person)

Dr. Lisa Grant, OMD (via telephone and in person)

**Board Staff:**

Merle Lok, Executive Director

Asheesh Bhalla, Deputy AG

**Public:**

Susan Fisher (via telephone)

Daniel Davies (via telephone)

Jenelle Lachman (via telephone)

DuWayne Steele

Susan Priestman

**2. Public Comment (Discussion Only).**

None

**3. Adoption of agenda (For Possible Action)**

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

Action: Motion carried unanimously

**4. Approve or disapprove of the minutes for the 2/12/2019 board meeting (For Possible Action).**

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve

Second: Mr. Smith

Action: Motion carried unanimously

**5. Update from Susan Fisher regarding the legislative session (For discussion only).**

Ms. Fisher stated that SB 234, SB 171 and BDR 859 relate to data collection for medical professionals to be combined into one bill. Upon renewal, a set of questions which include home address, race, gender, sexual orientation are to be sent to UNLV medical school, the Office Of Statewide Initiatives (“OSI”), and the Department of Insurance to examine network adequacy. There is a lot of concern about these questions and whether they are mandatory or discretionary from the Board of Medical Examiner and Board of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Grant is concerned that people can be threatened because of their sexual orientation and that renewals could be held up because certain boxes are not checked. Mr. Smith echoed Dr. Grant’s concerns. Ms. Braster stated that these questions have nothing to do with a skill set. Dr. Tracey stated that concerns can be addressed through a letter or a call to a representative and people do not have to personally testify in a legislative setting. Ms. Fisher is on the working group and will keep the Board updated.

**6. Discussion regarding BDR 80-0646 (For Discussion Only).**

ED stated that this BDR is about Boards accepting credit cards for the payment of fees. Ms. Fisher stated that Boards will have the option to decide whether or not to accept credit cards and will be able to pass credit card fees along to its licensees. Smaller boards can accept credit cards through a state central purchasing agency. Dr. Grant asked whether set up fees will be borne by the state.

**7. Discussion regarding BDR 80-0527 (For Discussion Only).**

See #5.

**8. Approve or disapprove of Wongu University’s request to pay \$1000 for the curriculum submission fee for 2018 (For Possible Action).**

ED stated that this matter was tabled from last year as the DAG had advised that the Board should wait for the new regulations regarding fees. The new regulations have now passed and Wongu’s curriculum approval fees have been lowered to \$1000 from \$5000. ED stated that Wongu has submitted \$1000 per year for 2018 and 2019. Dr. Grant stated that the Board does not have the expertise to do a curriculum review and will be deferring to ACAOM and the post-secondary education department. The Board will continue to oversee Wongu’s compliance with ACAOM and the post-secondary education standards so the \$1000 fee is reasonable.

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

Action: Motion carries as all members vote affirmatively except for Mr. Smith who recused himself as he is a pro bono board member for Wongu University

**9. Approve or disapprove of Wongu University’s Annual Curriculum Submission for 2018 (For Possible Action).**

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

Action: Motion carries as all members vote affirmatively except for Mr. Smith who recused himself as he is a pro bono board member for Wongu University

**10. Approve or disapprove of Wongu University's Annual Curriculum Submission for 2019 (For Possible Action).**

Motion: Dr. Ferris motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Grant

Action: Motion carries as all members vote affirmatively except for Mr. Smith who recused himself as he is a pro bono board member for Wongu University

**11. Discussion regarding a study guide for the new exam (For Discussion Only).**

Dr. Grant stated that the study guide should focus on Nevada jurisprudence and the applicants should know NRS 634A and NAC 634A. Dr. Tracey stated that she will work on the study guide with the ED.

**12. Approve or disapprove of hiring an investigator for Board to investigate complaints (For Possible Action).**

ED stated that there is a complaint about an unlicensed practitioner and DAG recommended an investigation. Dr. Tracey asked whether DAG's office has investigators. DAG stated that he oversees the investigations by the other Boards and he usually gets investigative reports submitted by the other Boards. Dr. Grant asked whether the investigator has to be on a retainer or whether he could be used on a case-by-case basis. Ms. Braster stated that DAG and ED should work together to come up with vetting parameters as to which complaints warrant the use of an investigator.

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

Action: Motion carried unanimously

**13. Approve or disapprove of CEU titled Acupuncture Point Injection Therapy to be presented at Wongu University on 11/2-11/4/2019 for 24 credits sponsored by Nevada Coalition for Acupuncture.**

Dr. Tracey stated that this looks like a good course. Dr. Ferris stated that he is married to Dr. Kohl who is the President of NCA. Dr. Grant stated that she is a member of NCA and worked on the CEU. Both doctors stated that they are not biased.

Motion: Dr. Chow motioned to approve

Second: Mr. Smith

Action: Motion carried unanimously

**14. Update from the Treasurer regarding Board accounts (For discussion only).**

Dr. Grant stated that she looked at the Board accounts that morning and everything is in order.

**15. Approve or disapprove of future Board meeting dates (For Possible Action).**

Dr. Tracey stated that there are already approved dates for 4/9/19 and 5/7/19 at 6:30 pm.

**16. Public Comment (Discussion Only).**

None

**17. Adjournment (For Possible Action).**

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

Action: Motion carried unanimously

This Agenda was posted at the following locations:

1. Office of the Attorney General, 555 E. Washington Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89101
2. Office of the Attorney General, 100 N. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701-4717
3. Nevada Oriental Medical Association, 5288 Spring Mtn Rd #250, Las Vegas, NV 89146
4. Clark County Library, 7060 W. Windmill, Las Vegas, NV 89113
5. Womg University of Oriental Medicine, 8620 S Eastern Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89123
6. NV Board of Oriental Medicine, 3191 E. Warm Springs Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89120
7. Department of Administration @ <http://admin.nv.gov/>

Minutes have been approved.