



**STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE**

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*****PUBLIC NOTICE***
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 18, 2021 @ 6:00 PM
Via teleconference**

*****MINUTES*****

1. CALL TO ORDER (Discussion/For Possible Action) Maggie Tracey, OMD,
President

Presence of a quorum determined at 6:00 pm

Board Members Present:

Dr. Maggie Tracey, OMD
Dr. Chia Hua Linda Chow, OMD
Dr. Lisa Grant, OMD
Dr. Michael Ferris, OMD
Michael Smith
Jennifer Braster

Board Staff:

Merle Lok, Executive Director
Asheesh Bhalla, Deputy AG

Public:

Chelsea Capurro
Eric Richardson
DuWayne Steele

2. Public Comment (Discussion Only).

None

3. Adoption of agenda (For Possible Action)

Motion: Mr. Smith moves to approve

Second: Dr. Grant

The motion has been approved unanimously.

4. Approve or disapprove of the minutes for the 2/18/2021 board meeting (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Dr. Chow

The motion has been approved unanimously.

5. Discussion regarding relevant proposed legislation with Chelsea Capurro (For Discussion Only).

Ms. Capurro states that she is watching bills involving the chiropractors and the PTs. The chiropractors have a bill AB210 that will regulate the types of drugs they are allowed to prescribe and Dr. Tracey is concerned about whether these drugs include Chinese herbs. Separately, SB222 is a bill that requires Boards to have a minority liaison and to have a representative at meetings with minority groups to make licensing more accessible and collaborative.

6. Approve or disapprove of Dr. Leslie Pasternack's CEU titled Dr. Tan's Core Essentials for 21 credits sponsored by The Academy of Acupuncture on 10/1-10/3/2020 (For Possible Action).

Dr. Ferris states that he is recusing himself as Dr. Pasternack is his employee. Dr. Grant states that Dr. Pasternack has to go through the Board CEU approval process since this course is not NCCAOM approved with the special designations and Nevada does not accept approvals from other states. Dr. Ferris states that this course has been approved by California which is accepted by NCCAOM.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve for 20 credits as only 10 credits can be carried over for the next year

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion has been approved by the Board members except for Dr. Ferris as he recused himself.

7. Approve or disapprove of Wongu University's Application for Oriental Medicine School Annual Curriculum Approval (For Possible Action).

ED states that Wongu has submitted the application for curriculum approval, the accreditation letter from ACAOM, the letter from the Post-Secondary Education Department, and \$1000 fee.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Mr. Smith

The motion has been approved unanimously.

8. Discussion regarding Certemy software (For Possible Action).

ED states that she wanted to update the Board regarding Certemy for the automation of Board functions like renewals, tracking CEUs, licensing, tracking complaints, accepting credit card payment, and possibly offering exams on its platform. However, while Certemy is still looking into whether exams can be offered, Certemy is sure that it cannot grade the exams. Certemy's cost is \$5000 per year with a 3% annual increase, and 3, 5, and 7 year terms are available. Credit card merchant fees would be 2.9% plus \$0.30 per transaction and Certemy does not add extra fees for the credit card merchant fees. Certemy also does not charge fees to implement changes so if forms need to be updated or changed, there are no extra fees. Dr. Grant states that another product was a lot more than Certemy's fee and Certemy will be increasing its fees so it will be a good idea to look at a 7 year contract to lock in the lower cost. Dr. Ferris states that whoever uses the software should be comfortable with it.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve that the Board should move forward and look at a tentative contract

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion has been approved unanimously.

9. Update from the Treasurer regarding Board accounts and other matters (For Discussion only).

Dr. Grant states that the accounts are in order. ED states that the lobbyist firm has been paid in full through 6/2021.

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

Dr. Tracey states that there is already is a pre-approved Board meeting set for 4/22/2021, and requests a future Board meeting on 5/20/21 at pm.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion has been approved unanimously.

11. Public Comment (Discussion Only).

None.

12. Adjournment (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion has been approved unanimously.

The minutes have been approved.