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*****PUBLIC NOTICE***
BOARD MEETING
July 13, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
Via Zoom and teleconference**

*****MINUTES*****

Board Staff:

Merle Lok, Executive Director
Henna Rasul, Senior Deputy AG

Public:

Chelsea Capurro
Kristin Field
Roberto Irawan, OMD
Yoojin Lee-Sedera, OMD
Tomoe Riekstins
Susan Wellman, OMD

BOARD MEETING

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establish Quorum.

Maggie Tracey, OMD, President called this meeting to order, conducted roll call and established the presence of a quorum. The following Board Members were present: Dr. Maggie Tracey, OMD, Dr. Sanghyun Lee, OMD, Lisa Grant, OMD, Michael Ferris, OMD, and Jennifer Braster.

2. Public Comment.

None

3. Review, discussion, and possible action for the minutes for the 5/18/2023 board meeting (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion is approved unanimously.

4. Review and discussion regarding relevant legislative bills from lobbyist Chelsea Capurro (For Discussion only).

Ms. Capurro states that the legislative session ended on 6/5/2023 with 2 special sessions called immediately afterwards regarding special improvements and the As stadium. She states that the medical malpractice bill passed with compromises and was supported by the various groups with only the anesthesiologists objecting. The Board consolidation bill is still unclear and she will put together a summary of what is in the bill. Dr. Tracey states that the Governor vetoed the Kratom bill and Ms. Capurro states that it was tough to regulate.

5. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding whether pricking and wet cupping is in the OMD scope of practice (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey and Dr. Grant state that pricking and wet cupping are included in the Oriental Medical school curriculum and is within the scope of the OMD practice. Dr. Ferris adds that dry cupping should also be included.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

6. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the issuance of the OMD license to the following applicants:

A. Valerie Chang;

B. Barbara Ferrero;

C. Tomoe Riekstins; and

D. Adrianus Wong.

(For Possible Action).

ED states that the applicants passed the state licensing exam and requests Board approval for the OMD license be granted to them.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

7. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding whether Kristin Field's qualifications meet the requirements in NRS 634A.140 (For Possible Action).

ED states that Ms. Field is applying for licensure. She has a CA acupuncture license, a NV homeopathic license and NV homeopathic statutes allow for the practice of acupuncture, an Oriental Medicine Certification from NCCAOM, formal herbology education from an OM school and an apprenticeship for her CA licensure. ED states that the issue is Ms. Field did not attend an OM school and whether she qualifies for licensure. Ms. Field states that she has been a licensed acupuncturist in CA since 2004. She passed the CA and NCCAOM exams. Ms. Field did an apprenticeship for 8 years with 5900 hours which was a CA licensure pathway at that time. She also attended herbology school for 391 hours. Ms. Field states that she has over 456 hours of continuing education over the last 20 years. Ms. Field states that she occasionally still practices in CA. Dr. Tracey states that she almost went the same path as Ms. Field and recused herself from voting. Dr. Tracey states that she believes that Ms. Field would make an excellent addition to the profession in Nevada. Ms. Braster states that NRS634A.140(3) applies to Ms. Field's situation whereas Dr. Grant states that NRS634A.140(2) applies as Ms. Field's education plus apprenticeship satisfies the "equivalent" part of the statute.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved by all Board members except Dr. Tracey who recused herself.

8. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding allowing up to 200 hours of CEUs with the NCCAOM designation of AOM-ABT, AOM-AC, AOM-BIO, AOM-CH, AOM-OM, AOM-SA, and/or AOM-ET to be counted towards the didactic hours requirement in the licensing application (For Possible Action).

Dr. Grant states that the Board should accept up to 200 hours of CEUs as the Board has accepted CEUs in lieu of some didactic hours in the past. Dr. Grant states that in her case, her school did not offer tuina and the Board accepted her CEU credits. Dr. Grant states that these CEUs should be like the CEUs accepted during license renewal

and should have the special designations and be completed within 4 years of the application.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

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

Dr. Grant states that the accounts are in order.

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

Dr. Tracey states that the next Board meeting will be on 9/7/2023 tentatively depending on the situation at 6 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

11. Public Comment.

Yoojin Lee-Sedera states that Woung University had an event with the Naturopathic Association. She states that the Naturopathic Association blocked naturopathic licensing which could be dangerous to public safety.

12. Adjournment (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey adjourns the meeting.

The minutes have been approved.