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*****PUBLIC NOTICE*****
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
May 7, 2018 @ 2:00 PM

AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:

Grant Sawyer Building, Office of the Attorney General, 555 East Washington Ave., Room #4500 -
Las Vegas, NV 89101 with teleconferencing at the Office of the Attorney General, 5420 Kietzke Lane,
Room #202, Reno, NV 89511.

*****MINUTES*****

1. CALL TO ORDER (Discussion/For Possible Action) Maggie Tracey, OMD, President
Roll call to determine presence of a quorum, at 2 pm

Board Members Present:

Dr. Maggie Tracey, OMD (Reno location)
Dr. Lisa Grant, OMD (Las Vegas location)
Dr. Michael Ferris, OMD (telephonic appearance)
Dr. Chia Hua Linda Chow, OMD (Las Vegas location)
Michael Smith (Reno location)
Jennifer Braster (telephonic appearance)

Board Staff:

Merle Lok, Executive Director
Asheesh Bhalla, Deputy AG

Public:

Susan Fisher
Dan Musgrove
Marcus Conklin
Marla McDade Williams
Vim Osathanugrah
DuWayne Steele
Nicole Lang
Dr. Daniel Davis



2. Public Comment (Discussion Only).

None

3. Adoption of agenda (For Possible Action).

Motion:

Second:

4. PUBLIC WORKSHOP: Discussion/Consideration/Potential Action regarding the proposed Regulations including:

-Revision to NAC 634A regarding addition of definitions of national organizations

-Revision to NAC 634A regarding addition of a scope of practice for Oriental medicine practitioners

-Revision to NAC 634A.060 regarding a salary for the position of Secretary-Treasurer

-Revision to NAC 634A.071 regarding application submission deadlines

-Revision to NAC 634A.080 regarding approval of programs of study for Oriental medicine and applications for licensure by endorsement and applicant qualifications

-Revision to 634A.085 regarding national examination certification requirements

-Revision to 634A regarding approval of curriculum of schools and colleges of Oriental medicine in Nevada

-Revision to 634.095A regarding proficiency of applicant in English language

-Revision to 634A.100 regarding the practical examination

-Revision to 634A.110 regarding reexamination of applicants who fail the practical exam

-Revision to 634A.135 regarding continuing education and maintenance of inactive licenses

-Revision to 634A.137 regarding approval of continuing education courses

-Revision to 634A.140 regarding payment of annual registration fees for new licensees

-Revision to 634A. 150 regarding reinstatement of cancelled licenses

-Revision to 634A.165 regarding Board fees

-Revision to 634A.170 regarding grounds for disciplinary action

(For Possible Action).

Dr. Grant stated that it was a fabulous workshop with a lot of good comments and good input for detailing and fine tuning some items. There was some talk in the workshop about adding another regulation about how to address deficits in the academic record of applicants; however, Dr. Grant stated that since it is a fairly minor issue and there are already procedures in place for it, she wanted to proceed to a public hearing and not hold up the other regulations and will address it in another workshop at a future date.

Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve and adopt the changes as discussed in the workshop

Second: Mr. Smith

Abstain: Ms. Braster

Action: Motion carries unanimously, except for the abstaining vote

5. **Approve or disapprove the previous board meeting minutes of April 9, 2018 (For Possible Action).**
Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve
Second: Dr. Ferris
Abstain: Ms. Braster
Action: Motion carries unanimously, except for the abstaining vote
6. **Approve or disapprove of retaining one of the following lobbying applicants to represent the Board:**
A. Susan Fisher
B. Nina Laxalt
C. Marla McDade Williams
D. Dan Musgrove
(For Possible Action).
The lobbying applicants discussed their experiences and their rates.
Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to hire Susan Fisher
Second: Dr. Chow
Action: Motion carries unanimously
7. **Approve or disapprove of Yvette Guzman re-taking the licensing exam on June 16, 2018 (For Possible Action).**
ED stated that Ms. Guzman did not pass the December 2017 exam and has requested to re-take the June 2018 exam.
Motion: Dr. Grant motioned to approve
Second: Dr. Ferris
Action: Motion carries unanimously
8. **Approve or disapprove of Wongu University's request to lower its curriculum approval fee to \$1000 (For Possible Action).**
Dr. Grant asked whether the Board has the discretion to lower the curriculum approval fee of \$5000 to \$1000 as discussed in the proposed new regulations during the workshop earlier in the day. DAG stated that the Board does not have the discretion as the current regulations are still in effect. However, this item can be tabled to a future date. Dr. Tracey stated that this item will be tabled.
9. **Discussion regarding the dry needling committee meeting on April 10, 2018 (For Discussion Only).**
Dr. Tracey stated that the dry needling committee discussed the definition of dry needling and the PTs and OMDs cannot agree on a definition at the last meeting. Dr. Tracey is concerned about public safety and the integrity of Oriental Medicine. Dr. Tracey stated that the meetings with the PTs have been very draining and stressful.
10. **Approve or disapprove of future Board meeting dates (For Possible Action).**
DAG stated that the Public Hearing notice requirement is 3 days. Dr. Tracey stated that the Public Hearing could be set for 5/29/18. DAG stated that the Public Hearing is basically for the public to give comments and an hour should be sufficient. DAG stated the changes would be sent to the LCB after the Public Hearing and that no Board meeting is needed to ratify the changes at the Public Hearing as the Board is voting on them now.

Dr. Grant asked if Ms. Fisher could reach out to the LCB to expedite matters. Ms. Fisher stated that she would need explicit permission from the Board as lobbyists are not allowed to contact the LCB. Dr. Tracey stated that the next Board meeting would be 6/25/2018. Dr. Grant stated that the meeting would be at 6 pm.

Motion: Dr. Chow motion to approve the dates as stated

Second: Dr. Grant

Action: Motion carries unanimously

11. Public Comment (Discussion Only).

Susan Fisher thanked the Board for retaining her as its lobbyist.

12. Adjournment (For Possible Action).

Motion: Mr. Smith motioned to approve

Second: Dr. Grant

Action: Motion carries unanimously

Minutes will be approved at a subsequent Board meeting.