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**\*\*\*PUBLIC NOTICE\*\*\*  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
May 19, 2020 @ 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:**

Dr. Maureen Lamerdin

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

None

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

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Chow

Action: Motion carried unanimously

**4. Approve or disapprove of the minutes for the 4/14/2020 board meeting (For Possible Action).**

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

Action: Motion carried unanimously

**5. Approve or disapprove of the following applicants for the June 27, 2020 exam, subject to COVID-19 guidelines:**

a. Rachel Abare;

b. Rachel Airheart;

c. Sarah Breaux;

d. Elli Chelli;

e. Pamela Murphy;

f. Keita Sekine;

g. Donna Denise Tongco-Nguyen;

h. Grace Im.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Mr. Smith

Action: Motion carried unanimously

**6. Discussion of possible updates regarding Covid-19, acupuncture clinics and licensees (For discussion only).**

Dr. Ferris states that massage therapists can perform massages, but the patients have to get a prescription from their doctors, including OMDS. Dr. Tracey states that there is unemployment assistance available from the federal government. She is unsure as to the number of clinics that are open. She states that there is a lot of information available on YouTube and NCCAOM. She states that ethical considerations for practitioners are still applicable. Dr. Grant states that NCCAOM provides 2 CEUs to attend townhalls regarding

sanitation and precautions. She states that practitioners should use reasonable precautions to protect staff, patients, and themselves.

**7. Approve or disapprove of any proposals regarding Covid-19, acupuncture clinics and licensees (For possible action).**

None.

**8. Discussion regarding NRS 622.500 et seq. to develop opportunities for the reciprocal licensure of members of the Armed Forces and their spouses and veterans and their spouses (For Discussion Only).**

This matter will be tabled for DAG to review whether the existing statutes and regulations, including the licensure by endorsement provisions, are sufficient to satisfy NRS 622.500 et seq. or whether we need to supplement our statutes and regulations and hold a workshop.

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

Dr. Grant states that the accounts are in order. Dr. Tracey states that a big expense item to consider in the future is hiring a lobbyist for the next legislative session.

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

Dr. Tracey states that the next Board meeting should be on 7/9/2020 at 6 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Chow

Action: Motion carried unanimously

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

None.

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

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

Action: Motion carried unanimously

The minutes have been approved.