



**STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE**

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*****PUBLIC NOTICE***
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 14, 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. Michael Ferris, OMD
Michael Smith
Jennifer Braster

Board Staff:

Merle Lok, Executive Director
Asheesh Bhalla, Deputy AG

Public:

Chelsea Capurro
Jen Atlas
Nina Tabor
Laura Fink-Soto
Megan Clowers
Eric Richardson

2. Public Comment (Discussion Only).

None

3. Adoption of agenda (For Possible Action)

Motion: Ms. Braster moves to approve

Second: Mr. Smith

The motion has been approved unanimously.

4. Approve or disapprove of the minutes for the 11/19/2020 board meeting (For Possible Action).

Motion: Ms. Braster moves to approve

Second: Dr. Chow

The motion has been approved unanimously.

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

Chelsea Capurro and Jen Atlas said the upcoming State of the State will be about budget cuts. They state that there are approximately 856 BDRs for this legislative session and one of the bills involves getting information about the healthcare provider, education, and specialties in order to determine shortages.

6. Approve or disapprove of granting an OMD license to the following applicants:

a. Khai Tuan Nguyen;

b. Holly Sutton; and

c. Christina Worley-Tabor

(For Possible Action).

ED states the applicants passed the state licensing exam and recommends that the Board grant an OMD license to them.

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion has been approved unanimously.

7. Approve or disapprove of CEU titled A Functional Approach to Autoimmune Disease for 8 credits sponsored by SP Westcoast Inc via live webinar on 2/6/2021-2/7/2021 (For Possible Action).

Motion: Mr. Smith moves to approve

Second: Dr. Chow

The motion has been approved unanimously.

8. Approve or disapprove of Dr. Megan Clowers' CEU titled Insurance Bill, A Complete Course for 13 credits sponsored by Mon West CPC online (For Possible Action).

ED states that this CEU is on the Agenda because the NAC gives the Board the discretion to approve practice management courses, but Dr. Clowers does not need this CEU course for her renewal as she has enough other pre-approved CEUs. Dr. Tracey states that based upon prior practice, the Board should give credit to only CEUs that have substantive Oriental Medicine content.

Motion: Ms. Braster moves to disapprove based upon prior Board practice

Second: Dr. Chow

The motion has been approved unanimously.

9. Discussion regarding certification management software (For Discussion Only).

ED states that the Board may want to consider having software that streamlines and makes the main board functions paperless. ED states that she has spoken to a couple of companies. ED states that each licensee and applicant would have their own account, can track their CEUs, and print out their own pocket licenses. A lot of Boards are moving in this direction and we should start thinking of getting this type of software as our licensees increase. ED states that the state has given notice that it will be seeking more statistics in future so this software could assist the Board be more analytic and help with the state's requests. Dr. Tracey states that it sounds like a good idea. Ms. Braster said that she could see which software the State Bar uses for its CEU tracking.

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

Dr. Tracey states that Dr. Grant is not present to talk about the Board accounts due to a family emergency.

11. Approve or disapprove of Executive Director's performance and possible compensation increase (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey states that ED is doing an excellent job and has performed way above standards, ED is responsive to legislators, licensees, and others, and ED works more hours during licensing renewal periods and legislative sessions. Dr. Tracey requests that the ED's compensation be increased to \$2500 per month.

Motion: Dr. Chow moves to approve

Second: Mr. Smith

The motion has been approved unanimously.

12. Discussion and election of Board President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey states that slate of officers is Dr. Tracey for President, Dr. Chow for Vice President, and Dr. Grant for Secretary/Treasurer.

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion has been approved unanimously.

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

ED requests that the next meeting be on 2/18/2021 at 6 p.m.

Motion: Ms. Braster moves to approve

Second: Dr. Chow

The motion has been approved unanimously.

14. Public Comment (Discussion Only).

Dr. Clowers states that she completely understands the Board's decision about the CEUs; however, in the future, the Board may consider adding insurance education as a component into CEU credits as most practices need to know about insurance billing.

15. Adjournment (For Possible Action).

Motion: Ms. Braster moves to approve

Second: Dr. Chow

The motion has been approved unanimously.

The minutes will be approved at a subsequent hearing.