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*****PUBLIC NOTICE***
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 9, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
Via Zoom and teleconference**

*****MINUTES*****

Board Staff:

Merle Lok, Executive Director
Henna Rasul, Senior Deputy AG

Public:

Chelsea Capurro
Stacey Munroe
Angela Nation
Teresa Thissen

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. Lisa Grant, OMD, Dr. Michael Ferris, OMD, and Jennifer Braster.

2. Public Comment.

None.

3. Review, discussion, and possible action for the minutes for the 11/23/2022 board meeting (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey states that this item is tabled.

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

Ms. Capurro states that AB 198 is a telehealth bill and is based upon a uniform telehealth bill which attempts to standardized a health register for out-of-state practitioners; AB 199 pertains to chiropractors treating head injuries and it has opposition; AB 219 relates to the open meeting law requiring Board members to physically attend meetings 25% of the time; and SB 210 is about having diversity in the state being reflected on Boards. Dr. Grant states that she is for diversity but it is hard to get people to join the Board and the Board should not be crippled by not appointing people. Ms. Capurro states that the bill has language stating “to the extent practicable.”

5. Review, discussion, and possible action for the state licensure exam being held on 4/8/23 to be administered by Dr. Sandip Thanki at 4350 E. Sunset Road, Ste 107A, Henderson, NV 89014 at the rate of \$50 per hour (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

6. Review, discussion, and possible action for Adrianus Wong and Roberto Irawan taking the Nevada state licensing exam on 4/8/23 (For Possible Action).

ED states that these applicants have satisfied the requirements and are eligible for the state exam.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

7. Review, discussion, and possible action for Mark Brandon Letterman taking the Nevada state licensing exam on 4/8/23, subject to receiving his fingerprint results prior to the exam (For Possible Action).

ED states that the applicant have satisfied the requirements except that the fingerprint results are still pending.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

8. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding Wongu University's curriculum documentation (For Possible Action).

ED states that Wongu has submitted its application for curriculum approval, the ACAOM letter, the post-secondary education certificate, and paid the annual fee of \$1000.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

9. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the dates of completion for CEUs to be accepted for each license renewal cycle (For Possible Action).

ED states that Dr. Grant wanted to address the dates of completion for CEUs during the renewal cycle. NAC634A.135 states that the CEUs have to be completed within the calendar year. Dr. Grant states that she does not want licensees to be able to use CEUs from prior years to be used for their renewals. Ms. Braster states that if it is like a carryover if licensees use CEUs from prior years. ED states that she will send out an email to the licensees regarding NAC634A.135. ED states that there is an issue if licensees do not take their CEUs within the calendar year as the renewal cycle ends on 1/31 each year. Dr. Grant states that she does not have an issue with licensees taking CEUs in January for their current renewal. SAG Rasul states there has to be a mechanism for licensees to renew their license if they missed the calendar year deadline. This matter is tabled.

10. Review, discussion, and possible action for extending the licensing application for the applicant Joyce Edwards (For Possible Action).

ED states that the applicant has a medical issue and is requesting an extension on her application. ED has received a letter from the applicant's doctor. ED requests that the application be extended to 12/31/2023.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion is approved unanimously.

11. Review, discussion and possible action regarding whether Teresa Thissen's coursework in Western Clinical Medicine/Integrative Case Management Series satisfies the Laboratory and Radiology requirement in NAC 634A.080 (For Possible Action).

ED states that Ms. Thissen would like clarification whether her coursework in Western Clinical Medicine/Integrative Case Management Series satisfies the Laboratory and Radiology requirement in NAC 634A.080 as the coursework is not specifically labelled as such. Her OM school has submitted a syllabus and other information for

these classes. Dr. Tracey states that the coursework does satisfy the requirements. Dr. Grant states that her school did the same thing and the coursework seems adequate.

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Dr. Grant

The motion is approved unanimously.

12. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding Executive Order 2023-003, 2023-004, Governor's Memorandum dated 1/23/23, and Informational Report- Executive Order 2023-003 (For Possible Action).

ED states that there are Executive Orders recognizing that there is a healthcare shortage in Nevada and the Governor's office wants Boards to eliminate 10 regulations to address this issue. The first report is due by 4/1 and a public hearing needs to be held to address these proposed regulations and other possible regulations to be eliminated and another report is due by 5/1. Dr. Grant states that there is an exemption available and the Board should apply for it. SAG Rasul states that some of her other Boards have applied but have not heard back from the Governor's office.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve that ED submits an exemption application to the Governor's office

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion is approved unanimously.

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

Dr. Grant states that everything is in order.

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

Dr. Tracey states that the public hearing and next meeting will be on 4/13/2023 at 6 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Grant moves to approve

Second: Ms. Braster

The motion is approved unanimously.

15. Public Comment.

None

16. Adjournment (For Possible Action).

Dr. Tracey adjourns the meeting.

The minutes will be approved at a subsequent meeting.