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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY OFFICE OF NEVADA BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS STANDARDS NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE

PUBLIC NOTICE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING March 6, 2025 @ 6:30 PM Via Zoom and teleconference ***MINUTES***

Board Staff: Merle Lok, Executive Director Henna Rasul, Senior Deputy AG

Public: Chelsea Capurro Lisa Grant, OMD Fiona Kelley, OMD Ann Qi

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

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

Angela Nation, OMD, the President, called this meeting to order, conducted roll call and established the presence of a quorum. The following Board Members were present: Dr. Angela Nation, Dr. Michael Ferris, Dr. Huiwen Zhang, and Dr. Sanghyun Lee.

2. Public Comment.

None.

3. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the minutes for the 2/12/2025 board meeting (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Dr. Zhang

The motion is approved unanimously.

4. Discussion with lobbyist Chelsea Capurro regarding 2025 legislative session (For Discussion only).

Ms. Capurro states that the legislative session is about 1 month in. She discussed different deadlines. She states that SB 78 has not been scheduled yet, there's another amendment coming, and there's a lot of questions and concerns about SB 78. She states that there are other bills that may affect the Board, to wit: AB 264 is about judicial review if applicant is denied licensure due to moral character; SB 274 is about the Board submitting a list of candidates for Board vacancy; and SB 129 is about license endorsement with different states wherein the big differences with our statute is that the applicant has to be a Nevada resident and be licensed for only 1 year.

5. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding SB 78 (For Possible Action).

Dr. Kelley states that she does not see how SB 78 saves money. Dr. Ferris states that the Board will be decreasing licensing fees anyway. This matter is tabled.

6. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding emailing the legislative comment link for SB78 to OMD licensees; Link is: https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/83rd2025/Bill/11891/Overview (For Possible Action).

Dr. Ferris states that the Board does not need to send out this link to the licensees as it is available to the public. Dr. Nation states that it is premature to send out the link as another amendment is coming. This matter is tabled.

7. Updates regarding new requirements from Business and Industry regarding Board letterhead and monthly budget reporting (For Discussion only).

ED states that the BNI has mandated that the Boards use the BNI letterhead and there will be monthly budget reporting requirements which will be coming out later.

8. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding SB129 (For Possible Action).

ED states that SB 129 is about license endorsement with different states wherein the big differences with our statute is that the applicant has to be a Nevada resident and be licensed for only 1 year. Dr. Ferris states that our Board allows injections and the practice of herbology whereas other states licenses may not. This matter is tabled.

9. Discussion regarding EHR compliance (For Discussion only).

Dr. Lee states that he contacted Unified Practice and it is not in compliance with the statute. ED states that licensees should contact their EHR providers to ask if they are in compliance with the interoperability requirement.

10. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding providing free continuing education classes for licensees (For Possible Action).

ED states that she is wondering if the Board would be interested in offering free CE classes once a month to the licensees. Dr. Nation states that she would like more information. This matter is tabled.

11. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding whether Trichloroacetic Acid (TCA) is approved for use in conjunction with microneedling within the scope of practice (For Possible Action).

Dr. Nation states that TCA sounds like a chemical peel. Dr. Ferris states that this might be outside scope of practice but will need more information. This matter is tabled.

12. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding whether Ann Qi can submit her undergraduate transcript directly, rather than sourcing the transcript from the college in China or an educational credentialing service (For Possible Action).

Ms. Qi states that she is an English major at Chengdong University in China and attended for 4 years. She attended Alhambra Medical University ("AMU") in California for her TCM education. Dr. Lee states that he has heard from Wongu students that they have a difficult time getting transcripts from China. Dr. Nation states that AMU should send the notarized and translated undergraduate transcript to the Board. Dr. Ferris states that Ms. Qi should also send her undergraduate transcript to the Board.

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Dr. Zhang

The motion is approved unanimously.

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

Dr. Ferris states that everything looks fine.

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

Dr. Nation states that the next meeting will be on 4/8/25 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Nation moves to approve

Second: Dr. Zhang

The motion is approved unanimously.

15. Public Comment.

None.

16. Adjournment.

Dr. Nation adjourns the meeting.

The minutes have been approved.