

## State of Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners

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### **REGULAR MEETING**

**December 7, 2009** 

(Teleconference Meeting)

#### **OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

Members of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners met at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2009, at 1400 West Washington, Conference Room B-1, Phoenix, Arizona.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Toni Bennalley, L.Ac., Chairperson (via telephone)
Ross Adelman, Consumer Member, Secretary (via telephone)
Woohyung Cho, L.Ac., Professional Member (via telephone)
Della Estrada, L.Ac., Professional Member (via telephone)
Robert L. Gear, NMD, DC, Professional Member (via telephone)
John M. Rhodes, L.Ac., Professional Member (via telephone)
Rebecca Wilks, MD, MD(H), Professional Member (via telephone)

### **Board Members Absent:**

James Bloom, Consumer Member Toni Karnas, Consumer Member

#### **Administrative Staff:**

Pete Gonzalez, Executive Director

## **Attorney General Representative:**

Montgomery Lee, Assistant Attorney General (available by telephone if necessary)

#### Call to Order

Chairperson Bennalley called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. The following order of business was then considered:

## **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

None were recorded.

# **Discussion and Approval of Minutes**

Board Member Wilks moved the adoption of the minutes for the November 16, 2009 board meeting with Board Member Rhodes providing a second. The motion carried by unanimous vote: 7-0.

Adelman	Bennalley	Bloom	Cho	Estrada	Gear	Karnas	Rhodes	Wilks	Vote
X	X		X	X	X		X	X	Aye
									Nay
									Recused
									Abstained
		X				X			Absent

# **Applications for Licensure (without self disclosures)**

The Board reviewed the license applicant chart and Board Member Estrada moved for the approval of the applicants for licensure listed below with Board Member Bennalley providing a second. The motion carried by unanimous vote: 7-0.

Ronald A. Reed Charles B. Roach Jill A. Dedera Allison Davis Danit Polunsky

Adelman	Bennalley	Bloom	Cho	Estrada	Gear	Karnas	Rhodes	Wilks	Vote
X	X		X	X	X		X	X	Aye
									Nay
									Recused
									Abstained
		X				X			Absent

## **Applications for Auricular Certification**

The Board reviewed the license applicant chart and Board Member Rhodes moved for the approval of the applicants for certification listed below with Board Member Wilks providing a second. The motion carried by unanimous vote: 7-0.

Diana Serino Tammie M. Holland

Adelman	Bennalley	Bloom	Cho	Estrada	Gear	Karnas	Rhodes	Wilks	Vote
X	X		X	X	X		X	X	Aye
									Nay
									Recused
									Abstained
		X				X			Absent

## **Executive Director Report**

Executive Director Gonzalez provided the following report to the Board.

## **License and Certificate Status Report**:

Active Licensed Acupuncturists: 478

Expired Licenses: 7

Active Certified Auricular Acupuncturists: 59

## **Board Office Information/Activities:**

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §32-3925 (B), license and certificate renewal notices for February 2010 licensees were prepared and sent. In addition, expired license and certificate letters for the month of November were sent.

Completed and submitted primary source verification of education survey requested by Med Advantage, a Credentials Verification Organization.

For the month of November, the board website was visited by 887 individuals. A steady increase of hits has taken place in the last three years. In 2006, a total of 7496 individuals used the web; 10,200 in 2007; and 11,930 in 2008. A total of 459,755 hits were recorded in 2008. To date, there have been 10,201unique visits and 183,469 hits.

### **Future Meeting Dates**

January 27, 2010

## **Call to the Public**

There were no requests made.

# Discussion of Items to be place on a future meeting agenda

Proposal submitted by Joseph Balensi, L.Ac.

# Adjournment

Board Member Bennalley moved for adjournment and Board Member Adelman provided a second. The motion carried by unanimous vote: 7-0. The Board adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Adelman	Bennalley	Bloom	Cho	Estrada	Gear	Karnas	Rhodes	Wilks	Vote
X	X		X	X	X		X	X	Aye
									Nay
									Recused
									Abstained
		X				X			Absent

Respectfully Submitted,

Pete Gonzalez

**Executive Director** 

Approved by the Board: January 27, 2010