



**State of Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners**  
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**REGULAR MEETING**

**September 23, 2009**

**OPEN SESSION MINUTES**  
**(Teleconference Meeting)**

Members of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners met at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2009, at 1400 West Washington, Conference Room B-1, Phoenix, Arizona.

**Board Members Present:**

Toni Bernalley, L.Ac., Chairperson (via telephone)  
Ross Adelman, Consumer Member, Secretary (via telephone)  
James Bloom, Consumer Member (via telephone)  
Woohyung Cho, L.Ac., Professional Member (via telephone)  
Della Estrada, L.Ac., 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:**

Toni Karnas, Consumer Member  
Robert L. Gear, N.M.D., D.C., Professional Member

**Attorney General Representative:**

Montgomery Lee, Assistant Attorney General (available by telephone)

**Administrative Staff:**

Pete Gonzalez, Executive Director

**Call to Order**

Chairperson Bernalley called the meeting to order at 1:01 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 Rhodes moved the adoption of the minutes for the August 26, 2009 board meeting with Board Member Bernalley providing a second. The Board approved the motion with a 7-0 vote.

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

The Board reviewed the license applicant chart and Board Member Bloom moved for the approval of the applicants for licensure listed below with Board Member Rhodes providing a second. The Board approved the motion with a 7-0 vote.

Gary H. Talkington  
Dianne M. Weaver

### **Executive Director Report**

Executive Director Gonzalez provided the following report to the Board.

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

Active Licensed Acupuncturists: 474  
Expired Licenses: 12  
Active Certified Auricular Acupuncturists: 60

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

Completed and submitted the following:

- American Specialty Health Networks, Inc. (ASH) credentialing survey. ASH provides acupuncture services to members of major health plans. The survey verifies the education of the providers who apply for admission to the network.
- FY 2011 budget to the Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting.
- Arizona Network (AZNet) Agency Management Satisfaction Survey.
- Filled FTE positions, Electronic Transactions, Performance Measures Results Reporting information to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.
- Technology Infrastructure and Standards Assessment (TISA) survey conducted by the Governor's Government Information Technology Agency (GITA).
- Arizona Department of Administration (DOA) Customer Satisfaction Survey - 2009.

Attended the Continuity of Operations Planning (COOP) meeting. This meeting is conducted with the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) to assist state agencies, boards and commissions in developing their Continuity of Operations Plans.

On September 8, 2009 attended the Governor's Executive Directors meeting conducted by the Governor's Policy Advisor on Rules and Regulations—Jeri Auther.

For the month of August, the board website was visited by 785 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 7705 unique visits and 158,994 hits.

### **Future Meeting Dates**

October 28, 2009  
November 16, 2009

### **Call to the Public**

There were no requests made.

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

No requests were made.

### **Adjournment**

Board Member Adelman moved for adjournment and Board Member Rhodes provided a second. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0. The Board adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Pete Gonzalez  
Executive Director

Approved by the Board: October 28, 2009