



**Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners’
Committee on Acupuncturist
Regular Board Meeting**

Monday, February 10, 2020

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners’ Committee on Acupuncturist (hereinafter, “the Committee”) was called to order at 11:00 a.m. in the Poplar Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37243.

Members Present: Jain Yan, Acupuncturist
Karman Gossett, Acupuncturist
Alexa Hulsey, Acupuncturist

Staff Present: Angela Lawrence, Director
Megan Gottschall, Office of General Counsel
Stacy Tarr, Administrative Director
Candyce Wilson, Administrative Director
Rene Saunders, MD Consultant
Orlanda Folston, Board Administrator

Approval of Minutes

Members reviewed the minutes from the *August 12, 2019* meeting. Ms. Gossett made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Yan seconded. The motion passed.

Applicant Interviews

Hang Lei

Ms. Hang Lei appeared without counsel. Ms. Lei was asked to appear before the Committee to address whether her training satisfies the Committee’s educational requirements. Ms. Lei attended medical school in China. Upon completion of medical school, she returned to the U.S. and attended an apprenticeship program with Dr. Ha Tuan Zhu’s acupuncture clinic. After a thorough discussion, the Committee

determined that Ms. Lei's clinical internship satisfied ACAOM requirements and the number of classroom hours satisfied NCCAOM licensure standards. Based on the fact that Ms. Lei practiced Acupuncture detox without a license while obtaining NADA certification, a civil penalty is appropriate. Ms. Gossett made a motion to approve Ms. Lei's application for licensure contingent on a \$50.00 civil penalty for unlicensed practice. Mr. Yan seconded the Motion. The motion passed.

Conduct New Business

Ratification of License

The Committee reviewed the list of new licensees and reinstatements. Ms. Gossett recused herself from ratifying one license, for Shari Leigh Phillips due to conflict of interest. Ms. Gossett made a motion to approve the ratification list. Mr. Yan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Departmental Reports

Office of Investigations Report presented by Ms. Lori Leonard

- Two (2) new open complaints one (1) unprofessional conduct
- Closed eight (8) complaints
- Currently (0) open complaints
- One (1) monitored practitioner

Financial Report

Ms. Maria McCormick, Division of Health licensure and Regulations presented a power point presentation of the financial expenditures and projections.

Managers' Report presented by Ms. Stacy Tarr

Activities that have transpired between July 31, 2019 and February 10, 2020:

- New Applications Received - Acupuncture 19
- Total New Licenses Issued – Acupuncture 13
- Total New License Issued – ADS 2
- Total Number of Acupuncture Reinstatements 2
- Total Number of ADS Reinstatements 0
- Total number of active Acupuncturists as of January 31, 2020 is 189.
- Total number of active ADS as of January 31, 2020 is 54.

Consent Order

Lyle Harvey, Acupuncturist – Ms. Harvey was not present. Ms. Harvey practiced on a lapsed license from June 2015 until April 2017. Ms. Harvey stated that she inadvertently forgot to renew her license due to personal circumstances. Ms. Harvey agreed to have her license reprimanded and to pay two Thousand and One Hundred Dollars (\$2,100.00) and the discipline in this order will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank. Ms. Gossett made a motion to accept the agreed order. Mr. Yan seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Agreed Citation

Brandy J. Lynn, Acupuncturist –Ms. Lynn failed to obtain thirteen (13) hours of required continuing education credits and agreed to pay a civil penalty of Two Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$260.00). Ms. Lynn also agreed to provide proof of completion of the required continuing education credits. Ms. Gossett made a motion to accept the agreed citation. Mr. Yan seconded the motion, the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 pm