

BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lt. Governor, as required by §92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”).

Date: Thursday April 7, 2016
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Place: Princess Likelike Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, 3rd Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Members Present: Jayne Tsuchiyama, D.Ac., Chairperson
Joni Kroll, Member, D.Ac., Vice-Chairperson
James Corcoran, Ph.D., Member
Mike Hashimoto, D.Ac., Member

Staff Present: Carol Kramer, Executive Officer
Rodney Tam, Esq., Deputy Attorney General
Ronni-Ann Bumgarner, Secretary

Guests: None.

Call to Order: There being a quorum established, Chairperson Tsuchiyama called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

Agenda Additions/
Revisions: None.

Approval of
the Minutes: It was moved by Dr. Corcoran, seconded by Dr. Kroll, and
unanimously carried to approve the minutes of February 4 , 2016.

Chair’s Report: None.

Executive Officer’s
Report: Executive Officer Kramer announced that Chairperson Tsuchiyama
received her doctorate of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

New Business: Point Injection Therapy

Point of Injection Therapy injects different solutions, such as glucose,
saline and herbs with a hypodermic needle into acupuncture points.
Injections are subcutaneous. Naturopaths are allowed to do injections.
Currently five states allow this procedure performed by licensed
acupuncturists.

Dr. Kroll had this procedure done while Dr. Lyftogt was in Hawaii for training. She went through a series of treatments and found it satisfactory and accomplished the results she was seeking. Dr. Tsuchiyama asked whether or not this procedure is covered by malpractice insurance, if schools are incorporating this procedure in their curriculum and if NCCAOM is testing on this topic.

Further research should be done and the Board will discuss at a later date.

Cupping

Cupping is done on acupuncture points. An acupuncture license is needed, which is within the scope of the rules.

Applications:

Ratifications

Board members reviewed the list of licenses and intern permits. It was moved by Dr. Corcoran, seconded by Dr. Kroll, and unanimously carried to ratify the applications of the individuals as listed for respective approvals sought.

ACUPUNCTURISTS

ACU 1173 SARA K <ACKERMAN<
ACU 1174 ANTONIKA C <WALKER<
ACU 1175 RYOKO <ITO<

ACUPUNCTURE INTERNS

372 DANELLE H <GALLO<

Applications:

Exam and License

At 1:29 p.m., it was moved by Dr. Corcoran, seconded by Dr. Kroll, and unanimously carried to enter into Executive Session to consider and evaluate personal information relating to the individual applying for licensure in accordance with Chapter 92-5(a) (1), Hawaii Revised Statutes, and to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities in accordance with Chapter 92-5(a) (4), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 2:15 p.m., it was moved by Dr. Corcoran, seconded by Dr. Kroll, and unanimously carried to return to the Board's regular order of business.

Irving Marcus

Board members agreed to reconsider Irving Marcus' application. After discussion it was moved by Dr. Corcoran, seconded by Dr. Kroll and unanimously carried to amend its basis of denial by deleting the reference to HRS §436E-5(d) and to include HAR §16-72-14(c), which requires the applicant to submit proof of graduation from an approved school.

Grady Whitfield Reaves

After discussion it was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Kroll and unanimously carried to deny Mr. Reaves' application, on the basis of HRS §436-5(a), HAR §16-72-20(b), HAR §16-72-33, and HAR §16-72-36 as a result of not fulfilling the examination requirements.

DAG Tam was excused at 2:23 p.m.

Old Business:

Proposed Rule Revisions, HAR Title 16, Chap. 72

Subchapter 2

Acupuncture School: institution should be accredited or recognized as a candidate for accreditation to ACAOM.

Functional disorder: delete definition

Traditional Oriental medicine: means the system of the healing art which places the chief emphasis on the flow and balance of energy in the human body as being the most important factor in maintaining the well-being of the body in health and disease and includes the practice of acupuncture and herbal medicine.

Subchapter 3

§16-72-4 Authorized practice of acupuncture. An acupuncture practitioner is authorized to treat the human body by stimulating certain acupuncture point or points on the human body to regulate the flow and balance of energy, neurovascular, endocrine and pain pathways in the body. The practice includes cutaneous or invasive stimulation of specific points on the skin with acupuncture needles. Techniques included are acupressure, electrical, mechanical, thermal therapy, moxibustion, cupping, laser acupuncture, lifestyle and dietary consultation and traditional therapeutic means, including prescribing and dispensing herbal medicine.

§16-72-5 Leave as is

§16-72-6 Records. Add date/dates treatment was performed and records to be kept on file for at least seven years.

Dr. Tsuchiyama asked members to review the last section of Subchapter 3 and to continue on to Subchapter 4. Dr. Tsuchiyama also emphasized to members to make revisions on one master, so everyone can see each other's revisions.

Open Forum: Executive Officer Kramer asked and most of the Board members agreed to change the next Board meeting from June 2, 2016 to June 9, 2016. Will follow up with those not in attendance.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 9, 2016
1:00 p.m.
Princess Likelike Conference Room
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment: Chairperson Tsuchiyama adjourned the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Ronni-Ann Bumgarner

Ronni-Ann Bumgarner, Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Carol Kramer

Carol Kramer, Executive Officer

CK:rb
04/19/16

[X] Minutes approved as is.
[] Minutes approved with changes. See Minutes of _____.