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# REGULAR MEETING – April 09, 2020 OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Members of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners met at:

April 09, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

This Meeting was held telephonically and was open to the public by calling in to a phone line:

**Board Staff:** David Geriminsky - Executive Director, Melissa Sanchez - Licensing Coordinator **Attorney General Representative:** Assistant Attorney General, Seamus Monaghan

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairperson Susan Williams called the meeting to order at 12:42 p.m.
- 2. RECOGNITION OF BOARD MEMBERS

## **Board Members Present:**

Susan Williams, Chairperson Mario Fontes, Secretary Mindy Hayden Tali Lehavi Rosemary Zimmerman Scott Selin Alex Tan Matthew Klein

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Jamie Fitzgerald

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – A.R.S. §38-503

No conflicts noted

4. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION** on Executive Order 2020-12, "Prohibiting the Closure of Essential Services," related to Acupuncture, and Auricular Acupuncture healthcare provided as an essential service. Review, discussion and action may also occur in relation to the Board's role as an Essential Government Function.

The Board Took No Action

5. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION** Regarding Executive Order 2020-17, "Continuity of Work," including actions related to the COVID-19 situation

The Board Took No Action

6. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE** Regarding Executive Order 2020-18, "Stay Home, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected – Physical Distancing to Mitigate COVID-19 Transmission,", as it relates to the practice of Acupuncture.

The Board Took No Action

7. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION** Regarding Administrative Order 2020-01, "Emergency Measures for Covid-19"

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The Executive Director provided a general overview of the Order and how it may affect the Board and its licensees including the outcome of discussions with the Governor's office regarding deferral of licensing fees, CE etc.. The Director explained that the Board could not defer fees or CE because they were both available online. However the Board could waive fees and CE entirely.

After discussion Board Member Fontes moved to waive renewal fees until the termination of the order. Board Member Zimmerman Seconded. The Motion Passed.

Fitzgerald	Fontes	Williams	Lehavi	Hayden	Zimmerman	Klein	Tan	Selin	Vote
	X	X	X		X	X		X	Aye
				X			X		Nay
									Recused
									Abstained
X									Absent

8. **Review, Discussion, and Possible Action** on adoption of a Board Notice regarding the current healthcare emergency

The Board Took No Action

## 9. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON A FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

No New Items Requested

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Zimmerman moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:41 p.m.. Board Member Hayden seconded. The Motion Passed.

Fitzgerald	Fontes	Williams	Lehavi	Hayden	Zimmerman	Klein	Tan	Selin	Vote
	X	X	X	X	X	X	Z	X	Aye
									Nay
									Recused
									Abstained
X									Absent