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REGULAR MEETING - March 27, 2019 OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Members of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners met at :

Wednesday, March 27, 2019, at 12:00 Noon
1740 W. Adams,
Board Room A,
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Board Staff: David Geriminsky - Executive Director, Jemma Soto - Licensing Coordinator
Attorney General Representative: Frankie Shinn-Eckberg, Assistant Attorney General

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairwoman Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

2. **RECOGNITION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Board Members Present:

Jamie Fitzgerald, L.AC., Chairwoman
Mario Fontes, L.AC., Secretary
Mindy Hayden, L.AC.
Susan Williams
Tali Lehavi
Rosemary Zimmerman, D.C. - Arrived at 12:38 p.m.

Board Members Absent:

None

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

Board Member Fontes stated that he had renewed during the last month and that he would abstain from the vote on his renewal application

4. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

A. November 28, 2018 Regular Session Minutes

Board Member Lehavi moved for the adoption of the February 27, 2019 Regular Board Meeting minutes with Board Member Williams providing a second. The Motion Passed.

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

B. February 27, 2019 Executive Session Minutes

Board Member Williams moved the adoption of February 27, 2019 Executive Session Minutes with Board Member Hayden providing a second. The Motion Passed.

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

5. Review and Discussion Regarding Presentations to the Board

A. Acudetox Utilization in the Criminal Justice System - Judge Charles Pyle

The Board received a presentation from Judge Charles Pyle on Acudetox and Trauma in the Criminal Justice System. Board Members thanked Judge Pyle and asked several questions regarding the presentation and how Auricular Acupuncture could be used to help ameliorate the rising opioid epidemic and its connection to the criminal justice system.

6. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Applications for Licensure

Acupuncture Licensing Applicants

- A. Leslie Axelrod
- B. Christopher Hong
- C. Suzanne Husami
- D. Wesley Kress
- E. Jolene Kriepps

Executive Director Geriminsky provided a summary of license eligibility for Applicants A, B, C, D and E. The Board reviewed the license applicant chart and packet. Board Member Lehavi moved to grant licensure to Applicants A, B, C, D and E with Board Member Zimmerman providing a second. The Motion Passed.

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

7. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Applications for Auricular Acupuncture Certification

Auricular Acupuncture Certification Applications

- A. Kathryn Reeder
- B. Rocio Polanco

Executive Director Geriminsky provided a summary of certificate eligibility for Applicants A and B. The Board reviewed the license applicant chat and packets. Board Member Williams moved to grant certification to Applicants A and B with Board Member Hayden providing a second. The Motion Passed.

Fontes	Hayden	William s	Lehavi	Fitzgerald	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X	X	Aye
						Nay
						Recused
						Abstained
						Absent

8. Consent Agenda for Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Board on Ratification of Renewal of Licenses/Certificates Issued by the Executive Director to Individuals Who Met Requirements for Renewal or Initial Licensure

(All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Board or the Board's Designee and may be considered for approval as a single action, unless a Board Member or any other interested party wishes to remove an item for independent review, discussion, and possible action.)

Denise M Jenderzak	Adam P Kerievsky	Kristina M Holder
Pamela L Gangler	Angelica L Gomez	Laura S Martell ND,
Shira Dobratz	Kiya M Hunter	Christina M Kovalik
Ramona F Goldman	Kelly J Wylie	Eugene Lowery
Angela K Ayers	L. Renee Daniel	Donna M Rebadow
Mukunda Karmacharya	Leah M Bicknell	Serena L Gabriel
Jodine L Wamsley	Laura K Wiggins	Donna L Combs
Rachelle A Marmor	Sayuri Miura	Anthony Della Croce
Anna Lunaria	Joshua E Ferber	Julie Grahe-Keel
Doris L Herauf	Lea A Inoue	Qun Li
Hong Tao Liang	Lucy Marulanda Grajales	Aeimee G Diaz
Rachelle B Stock	Amy K Clemans	David K Osborn
Karla Sourasky Olmos	David L Lowenstein	Robert L Miller
Maria G Mandarin	Daniela C Van Wart	Ann E Rea
Zhen Liu	Alissa M Stockton	Tala Lindaro
Cody S Brazos	Linda J Stone	Patricia E Banales

Mayo M Wardle

Darren Starwynn

Gravele I Quashie

Mario Fontes

Mojgan Rezaei

Charles E Harn

Rachel A Korhumel

55 Renewed Licenses

The Executive Director provided an overview of Licenses and Certificates renewed stating each had been reviewed, found eligible, and license was renewed pursuant to the Boards authorization.

Board Member Zimmerman moved to ratify and approve all applicants for license renewal listed above with Board Member Hayden providing a second. The Motion Passed.

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

9. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Board Approval of Chemical Dependency Programs

- A. Board Approval of Amendment to Substantive Policy Statement on Alcoholism, Substance Abuse, or Chemical Dependency Programs Offering Auricular Acupuncture

The Board reviewed several changes made to their prior Substantive Policy Statement designed to reduce the burden on the applicant and still provide for public health and safety under the law. The Board discussed that these changes would make it much easier to apply for and receive Board Approval of Chemical Dependency Programs (CDPs) and align more closely with the standard in other States. The Board directed the Executive Director to evaluate the statutes regulating CDPs and to begin the process of seeking legislative change to remove CDP regulation.

Board Member Williams moved to approve the Substantive Policy Statement with Board Member Zimmerman providing a second. The Motion Passed.

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

- B. Board Approval of Application for Chemical Dependency Programs

Board Member Williams moved to approve the update to the CDP approval Application with Board Member Zimmerman providing a second. The Motion Passed.

Fitzgerald	Fontes	Williams	Lehavi	Hayden	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X	X	Aye
						Nay
						Recused

						Abstained
						Absent

10. Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Applications for Continuing Education Course Approval

Ratification of Approval by the Chairperson

A. Seifukujitsu - The Japanese Samurai Method of Restoration

Executive Director Geriminsky provided a brief overview of the application packet. The Board found that the Course met the minimum eligibility requirements in law and rule. Board Member Fontes moved to ratify this approval by the Chairwoman. Board Member Zimmerman seconded. The Motion Passed.

Fontes	Hayden	William s	Lehavi	Fitzgerald	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X	X	Aye
						Nay
						Recused
						Abstained
						Absent

11. Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Substantive Policy Statement on the definition of Acupuncture in ARS § 32-3901(1)

The Board took no action on this item at this time and it was tabled until the April Meeting.

12. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Battlefield Acupuncture

The Board took no action on this item at this time and it was tabled until the April Meeting.

13. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Executive Director Report

- A. Budget/Strategic Plan
- B. Summary of Current Events
- C. Survey Results
- D. New Licensing Coordinator
- E. Complaints Status
- F. Governor's Executive Order
- G. Legislative Update
- H. Board Office Highlights

Executive Director Geriminsky provided the Board an update on pending complaints, pending legislation and on the above items. The Board took no action at this time.

15. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Future Regular Meeting Dates

- April 24, 2019 - 12p.m Noon
- May 22, 2019
- June 26, 2019
- July 24, 2019

August 28, 2019
September 25, 2019 - Flagstaff
October 23, 2019 - Tucson
November 27, 2019

The Board reviewed the schedule of meetings for this year and by consensus moved to cancel the December Board meeting, hold the September Board Meeting in Flagstaff and the October Meeting in Tucson. Future Board meeting will be held at Noon.

16. Call to the Public

No comment received

17. Discussion of Items to be placed on a future meeting agenda

The Board directed that the items tabled at this meeting be placed on the next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting.

18. Adjournment

Board Member Zimmerman moved for adjournment and Board Member Lehavi provided a second. The Motion passed. The Board adjournment at 2:15 p.m.

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