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OFFICE OF NEVADA BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS STANDARDS
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE

*****PUBLIC NOTICE*****
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
April 8, 2025 @ 6:30 PM
Via Zoom and teleconference
*****MINUTES*****

Board Staff:
Merle Lok, Executive Director
Joseph Ostunio, Deputy AG

Public:
Chelsea Capurro
Lisa Grant, OMD
Fiona Kelley, OMD
Anita Lanier, OMD
Jens Maassen
Rhonda Stelck
Eun Hee Yu

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establish Quorum.

Angela Nation, OMD, the President, called this meeting to order, conducted roll call and established the presence of a quorum. The following Board Members were present: Dr. Angela Nation, Dr. Michael Ferris, and Dr. Huiwen Zhang.

2. Public Comment.

None.

3. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the minutes for the 3/6/2025 board meeting (For Possible Action).

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Dr. Zhang

The motion is approved unanimously.

4. Discussion with lobbyist Chelsea Capurro regarding 2025 legislative session (For Discussion only).

Ms. Capurro states that SB78 was heard on 4/7/2025. SB78 relegates our Board to an advisory committee along with the Homeopathic Board with no voting rights. There were a few other boards which support the bill but there's a lot of opposition. Ms. Capurro states that SB78 needs to pass out of committee by Friday. She will check to see if the bill is exempted.

5. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding SB 78 (For Possible Action).

See #4.

6. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding emailing the legislative comment link for SB78 to OMD licensees; Link is: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/83rd2025/Bill/11891/Overview> (For Possible Action).

Dr. Ferris states that the Board should provide information to its licensees about SB78. Dr. Zhang states that it is a good idea. DAG states that this is fine.

Motion: Dr. Nation moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

7. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding whether Eun Hee Yu's qualifications are sufficient under NRS 634A.140(2) (For Possible Action).

ED states that she is presenting Ms. Yu's transcript from China for the Board's consideration. Ms. Yu also is licensed in California for 19 years. Dr. Nation states that Ms. Yu has the hours and qualifications as she has

taken core classes and was in a 5-year program.

Motion: Dr. Nation moves to approve

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

8. Review, discussion and possible action of renewing Certemy licensing software (For Possible Action).

ED states that there's 2 proposals presented. The first proposal is for one year at \$5500. The second proposal is for 2 years with the first year cost at \$5500 and the second year cost at \$5775. Drs. Ferris and Nation state that we should go with the one year proposal as it is unknown what will happen to the Board.

Motion: Dr. Zhang moves to approve the one year proposal

Second: Dr. Ferris

The motion is approved unanimously.

9. Review, discussion and possible action of awarding the OMD license to the following applicants:

A. Judy Han;

B. Jens Maasen;

C. Heather McKay;

D. Canan Sanatkar; and

E. Rhonda Stelck

(For Possible Action).

ED states that the applicants passed the state exam and are eligible for the OMD license.

Motion: Dr. Ferris moves to approve

Second: Dr. Zhang

The motion is approved unanimously.

10. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding providing continuing education classes for licensees paid for by the Board (For Possible Action).

ED states that there are proposals from AcuSharpener and eLotus for CEUs in the supplemental materials. AcuSharpener has various tiered prices for 10, 20, or 30 credits that do not expire. ELotus also provided prices and

has 4 categories wherein the licensees can choose 2 courses and the credits also do not expire. Dr. Nation states that TCM Zone based in Arizona offers a CEU retreat. Dr. Ferris states that he would like more research whether other states have paid for CEUs. This matter is tabled.

11. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding ways to give back to the OMD community (For Possible Action).

Dr. Nation states that the Board may consider options about waiving or sponsoring renewal fees. Dr. Zhang states that it is a good idea to sponsor renewal fees. ED states that the Board may consider hiring a media or ad agency to promote acupuncture as a natural way to treat medical conditions with billboards and other media. This matter is tabled.

12. Update from the Treasurer regarding Board accounts and other matters (For Discussion only).

Dr. Ferris states that everything looks fine.

13. Approve or disapprove of future Board meeting dates (For Possible Action).

Dr. Nation states that the next meeting will be on 5/21/25 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Nation moves to approve

Second: Dr. Zhang

The motion is approved unanimously.

14. Public Comment.

Rhonda Stelck thanks the Board and states that she is excited to be part of the acupuncturist community.

15. Adjournment.

Dr. Nation adjourns the meeting.

The minutes have been approved.