



**ACUPUNCTURE BOARD
ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
APPROVED Meeting Minutes
FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2015**

LOCATION:

**Department of Consumer Affairs
1747 North Market Boulevard
HQ2 First Floor Hearing Room
Sacramento, CA 95834**

**Teleconference Meeting Location:
320 West Fourth Street
8B Conference Room, 8th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90013**

Enforcement Committee Members

*Hildegarde Aguinaldo, Chair, Public Member
Kitman Chan, Public Member
Jeannie Kang, L.Ac., Licensed Member*

Committee Members Present in Los Angeles

Hildegarde Aguinaldo, Chair, Public Member
Jeannie Kang, L.Ac., Licensed Member

Committee Members Present in Sacramento

Kitman Chan, Public Member

Staff Present in Sacramento

Terri Thorfinnson, Executive Officer
Kristine Brothers, Executive Coordinator

AGENDA

Agenda Item #1 -- Call to Order, Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum

Chair Hildegarde Aguinaldo (Aguinaldo) called the meeting to order at 1pm. Roll was taken: Aguinaldo – present in Los Angeles; Chan – present in Sacramento; Kang – present in Los Angeles. *3-0 quorum established.*

Agenda Item #2 – Opening Remarks

Chair Aguinaldo welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Agenda Item #3 -- Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

A commenter asked that Master Tung's acupuncture be included on the exam.



Agenda Item #4 -- Approval of Minutes: April 18, 2014, Committee Meeting

No changes were made.

MOTION: Committee Member Jeannie Kang (Kang) made a motion to approve the April 18, 2014 enforcement committee meeting minutes. Committee Member Kitman Chan (Chan) seconded the motion. Vote: Aguinaldo -- YES; Chan – YES; Kang – YES. 3-0 MOTION PASSES.

Agenda Item #5 -- Discuss and consider whether the Board should contract with National Practitioner Data Bank as recommended by the Sunset Review Committee

Executive Officer Terri Thorfinnson (Thorfinnson) opened on the issue, which was raised during the most recent Sunset Review. She reminded the committee that there has already been good discussion on the issue, and felt the Board was close to a decision. The committee discussed two options: 1. one-time lookup, which the committee didn't want and 2. continuous query, which the Board would do on a rotating basis of one-third of total licensees. She then mentioned only querying out-of-state licensees due to cost, and the costs per lookup have changed.

Chair Aguinaldo asked how many malpractice and adverse actions reports the Board was receiving. Enforcement Coordinator Kristine Brothers (Brothers) replied about 10-15, which were only in-state licensees. Member Kang asked about including the American Acupuncture Council databank reports in the queries. Staff will look into that. EO Thorfinnson asked which other reports may be missing. She mentioned attorneys and clients are required to report, and wondered about other state agencies, but noted they report to the national database. She also noted other Boards just query for out-of-state licensees.

No public comment was made on this item.

MOTION: Member Chan made a motion to recommend to the Board to conduct queries on out-of-state licensees and evaluate the number on the report. Member Aguinaldo seconded the motion. Vote: Aguinaldo -- YES; Chan – YES; Kang – YES. 3-0 MOTION PASSES.

Agenda Item #6 – Request Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 4967 (b) to waive exam as requirement for new licensure: James Skoien. Cancelled License AC 2562

The committee heard the request of James Skoien to waive the exam requirement to be issued a new license; the request would then have to be approved by the full Board.



A public comment was made in support of James Skoein.

*MOTION: Member Kang made a motion to recommend to the Board to approve James Skoien's request to be issued a new license and waive the exam. Member Aguinaldo seconded the motion. Vote: Aguinaldo -- YES; Chan – YES; Kang – YES. **3-0 MOTION PASSES.***

Agenda Item #7 – Future Agenda Items

Chair Aguinaldo wanted to make sure the committee continued discussion on AB 12 and regulatory items.

Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment

Meeting adjourned.

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