

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINERS
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MAY 14, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 11:36 a.m. by Chair, Dee Ann Newbold, L.Ac. Committee members present were Meng-Sheng Linda Lin, L.Ac.; Terry Glenn Rascoe, M.D.; and Claire H. Smith. Jerry Walker, Deputy Executive Director; Jennifer Kaufman, J.D., Assistant General Counsel; Jaime Garanflo, Director, Customer Affairs; Tonie Knight, Manager, Licensing, Permits and Registration; Tim Speer, Manager, Acupuncture/Physician Assistant Division; and various other staff were also present.

Agenda item #2, regarding requests for approval of continuing acupuncture education courses, was considered. The Committee reviewed the courses provided by Acupuncture Medical Consultants, P.C. titled Medical Qigong Therapy for Cancer. Following discussion, **Dr. Rascoe moved, Ms. Smith seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board the approval of the courses: Precautions and Ethical Considerations (1 hour ethics); Treating Side Effects (4 hours herbal); and Traditional Chinese Medical Theory (16 hours general).**

The Committee reviewed the course provided by the American Organization for Bodywork Therapies of Asia, Voorhees, New Jersey. **Dr. Rascoe moved, Ms. Lin seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board the approval of the course Eight Extraordinary Vessels & Their Clinical Applications (13 hours general).**

The Committee reviewed the course provided by the Dallas College of Oriental Medicine, Dallas, Texas. **Ms. Smith moved, Dr. Rascoe seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board the approval of the course: Cosmetic Acupuncture (1 hour ethics, 14 hours general, 2 hours herbal).**

The Committee reviewed the course provided by Leslie Lynn Myers d/b/a/Blue By-Ways, LLC, Austin, Texas. Leslie Myers answered questions for the committee members. Ms.

Myers explained how acupuncturists could use the Hakomi Method as an effective enhancement to exploring symptoms to aid in the assessment and treatment of a patient. Following discussion, **Dr. Rascoe moved, Ms. Lin seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board the approval of the course Mindfulness and Healing: An Introduction to the Hakomi Method (3 hours general).** The course provider can request more hours at the next committee meeting after providing further information on how the course relates to acupuncture.

The Committee reviewed the course provided by Roddey Cohn, L.Ac., D.O.M., Santa Fe, New Mexico. Following discussion, **Dr. Rascoe moved, Ms. Smith seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board the approval of the course Attunement to the Pulse (3 hours general).** The course provider can request more hours at the committee meeting after providing more information on how the course relates to the practice of acupuncture.

The Committee reviewed the course provided by Southern California University of Health Sciences, Whittier, California. Following discussion, **Dr. Rascoe moved, Ms. Smith seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board to defer a decision on the courses: Massage Review & Chronic Pain; Basic Practice Protocols; and Physical/Differential Diagnosis/Professional Boundaries until the provider resubmits the application with hours that match their brochure and more details about how each hour applies to the practice of acupuncture.**

The Committee reviewed the course provided by Technical Learning College (Distance Learning), Payson, Arizona. Following discussion, **Dr. Rascoe moved, Ms. Smith seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board to defer a decision on the courses: Chiropractic Review; Massage Technique Review; and Raynauds Disease until the provider can provide the credentials of the instructors, to include qualifications, education, and training to teach each course.**

The Committee reviewed the course provided by the Texas Association of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine, Inc., Austin, Texas. Following discussion, **Ms. Smith moved, Dr. Rascoe seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board the approval of the**

courses: The Basic Balance Method (8.4 hours general); Advanced Balance Method (4.2 hours general, 4.2 hours herbal); and Ethics for Acupuncturists (2 hours ethics).

Agenda item #3, regarding changes to the CAE application form, was considered. Mr. Speer reviewed the changes made to the continuing education application. The committee recommended that the type of credit be listed beside each requested hour, more lines added for hour descriptions, and to change Texas License Number to State Issued/Field Credentials.

Agenda item #4, regarding a memorandum concerning Courses Related to the Practice of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, was considered. Ms. Kaufman reviewed her findings on states that require continuing education courses to maintain licensure. Two states provided guidance with regard to course content. Ms. Kaufman presented new language for a possible rule change and language incorporated in the instructions for the Boards CAE application forms. The committee directed staff to make revisions for new rules at the next meeting.

There being no further business, **Dr. Rascoe moved, Ms. Smith seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 p.m.**