



**TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE EXAMINERS**  
**LICENSURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
May 17, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 11:09 a.m. by the Chair, Allen Cline, L.Ac. Committee members present were Suehing Yee Chiang, Karen Siegel, L.Ac., and Rachelle L. Webb, L. Ac.

**Agenda Item 2 – Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding applicants appearing concerning eligibility.**

**Applicant #1360** appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director. **Ms. Siegel moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted an unrestricted Texas acupuncture license. Ms. Webb seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

**Applicant #1363** appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director. **Ms. Webb moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted an unrestricted Texas acupuncture license. Ms. Siegel seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

**Applicant #1356** appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director. **Ms. Siegel moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a Texas acupuncture license subject to the terms and conditions outlined in the action item attached to these minutes.** Factors influencing this decision include the applicant's alcohol and drug abuse related criminal history, and in the applicant's short period of full sobriety of five weeks. **Ms. Webb seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

**Applicant #1385** appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director due to the applicant's time out of the practice of acupuncture and the applicant's failure to report academic remediation during acupuncture school on the licensure application. **Ms. Webb moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be allowed to withdraw the application and reapply submitting truthful answers. Furthermore, upon reapplication the applicant should be granted a temporary license with an expiration date that will allow the applicant**

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to obtain at least 20 hours a week supervised practice for at least 40 weeks in a 12-month period, subject to the following restrictions: completion of 34 hours of Continuing Acupuncture Education and that the applicant work in a setting that provides continuous full-time, on-site supervision by a licensed acupuncturist. The supervising acupuncturist shall submit, one month prior to the temporary license expiring, a log showing time worked, and a report regarding the applicant's work performance if the evaluation(s) are favorable, the applicant's name may be placed on a list of applicants who have met all requirements for licensure to be considered at the following Board meeting; if the evaluation(s) are unsatisfactory, the applicant will be required to appear at the following Board meeting for reconsideration of the application. Factors influencing this recommendation include that the applicant was required to remediate two failed courses in acupuncture school and failed to disclose that on the license application, as well as the Committee's determination that the failure to disclose was not intentional; and that the applicant has not practiced acupuncture since graduating from acupuncture school in 2006. **Ms. Siegel seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

**Applicant #1365** appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director due the applicant's time out of practice of acupuncture. **Ms. Siegel moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a temporary license with an expiration date that will allow the applicant to obtain at least 20 hours a week supervised practice for at least 40 weeks in a 12-month period, subject to the following restrictions: that the applicant work in a setting that provides continuous full-time, on-site supervision by a licensed acupuncturist. The supervising acupuncturist shall submit, one month prior to the temporary license expiring, a log showing time worked, and a report regarding the applicant's work performance; if the evaluation(s) are favorable, the applicant's name may be placed on a list of applicants who have met all requirements for licensure to be considered at the following Board meeting; if the evaluation(s) are unsatisfactory, the applicant will be required to appear at the following Board meeting for reconsideration of the application.** Factors influencing this recommendation include that the applicant has not practiced acupuncture since graduating from acupuncture school in 2010, and that the applicant completed the

NCCAOM exam sequence within the two years preceding application. **Ms. Webb seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Ms. Webb rescinded her motion to adjourn, Ms. Drain seconded and the meeting was called to order again at 12:19 p.m. by the Chair, Allen Cline, L.Ac. Committee members present were Suehing Yee Chiang, Karen Siegel, L.Ac., and Rachelle L. Webb, L. Ac.

**Agenda Item 3 – Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding applicants for a Texas Acupuncture License:** There were 26 licensure applicants and 1 relicensure applicant who met all requirements to be considered for acupuncture licensure by the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners (TSBAE). **Ms. Webb moved, Ms. Siegel seconded and the motion passed to recommend to the full board that the licensure applicants be approved for licenses and that their names be listed as part of the minutes of this committee.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.