

MARYLAND BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE

4201 Patterson Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
Room 105

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION

JULY 24, 2018
1:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Thomas Ingegno, L.Ac., Chair, Sheryl Hongsermeier, L.Ac., RN, Vice Chair, Brandie Armijo, L.Ac., LPN, BSN, MSOM, Sherrie Black, L.Ac., RN, Esq., Barbara Huston, Consumer, Bonnie Miranda, Consumer

BOARD MEMBERS LATE:

None

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Peter Marinakis, L.Ac., Ph.D.,

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

Penny Heisler, Executive Director, Cynthia Dobbins, Administrative Officer, Danielle Vallone, Investigator and David Finkler, AAG

GUESTS:

Kim Lang, MDH

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Mr. Ingegno called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM.

Mr. Ingegno welcomed new Board members, Brandie Armijo, Barbara Huston, and Bonnie Miranda and asked them to introduce themselves. He stated that with the addition of 3 new board members, the Board needed to restructure its Committee member positions and asked for volunteers. Ms. Hongsermeier, Ms. Black and Ms. Miranda agreed to serve on the Disciplinary Committee. Ms. Armijo, Mr. Ingegno and Ms. Huston volunteered to sit on the Legislative/Regulatory Committee. Ms. Miranda agreed to serve on the Licensure Committee and Mr. Ingegno will ask Dr. Marinakis if he would like to continue to serve. Ms. Huston agreed to sit on the Budget Committee. Mr. Ingegno said that he will continue to serve on the Scope of Practice Committee and will ask Dr. Marinakis if he is also willing to serve.

APPROVAL OF MAY 8, 2018 MINUTES

After review of the Minutes, Ms. Black moved to approve the Minutes as written and Ms. Hongsermeier seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the Minutes as written.

1. OLD BUSINESS

A. SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Mr. Ingegno stated that that there is no report at this time.

B. CLEAN UP BILL 2019

Ms. Heisler stated that the Maryland Department of Health approved the Board's proposal for its Cleanup Bill this legislative session. Mr. Ingegno gave the new members a brief history and explanation of the Bill.

2. NEW BUSINESS

A. ONLINE APPLICATION

Ms. Heisler stated that the Board's IT staff is working on creating an online application for initial licensure.

B. FOREIGN APPLICANT

Ms. Heisler stated that the Board reviewed an application from an applicant that graduated from a foreign school. Ms. Hongersmeier moved to approve the application and Ms. Armijo seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion

Ms. Hongersmeier moved to close the meeting at 1:50 PM to go into Administrative Session in accordance with the Maryland Open Meetings Act § 3-305(b)(2) "To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business" and Ms Black seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 PM.