



ACUPUNCTURE BOARD

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**NOTICE OF ACUPUNCTURE BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Friday, May 26, 2017

Upon completion of the Enforcement Committee until completion of business

Location:

Tai Chi Studio – 2nd floor

**Yo San University of Traditional Chinese Medicine
13315 W. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90066**

Executive Committee Members

*Kitman Chan, Chair, Public Member
Hildegarde Aguinaldo, Public Member
Francisco Hsieh, Public Member
Jamie Zamora, Public Member*

AGENDA

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

- 1. Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum (Chan)**
- 2. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**
The Committee may not discuss or take any action on any item raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting (Government Code Sections 11125, 11125.7(a))
- 3. Update on Executive Committee Assignments (Bodea)**
- 4. Approval of May 29, 2015 Executive Committee meeting minutes (Johnson)**
- 5. Future Executive Committee Agenda Items (Chan)**
- 6. Adjournment**

Public Comment on items of discussion will be taken during each item. Time limitations will be determined by the Chairperson. Times are approximate and subject to change. Action may be taken on any item listed on the Agenda.

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Executive Committee

#4

Approval of May 29, 2015

Meeting Minutes



**ACUPUNCTURE BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
DRAFT 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**

Executive Committee Members

*Michael Shi, L.Ac, Chair, Licensed Member
Hildy Aguinaldo, Vice Chair, Public Member
Kitman Chan, Public Member
Francisco Hsieh, Public Member
Jamie Zamora, Public Member*

Committee Members Present in Los Angeles

Hildegarde Aguinaldo, Vice Chair, Public Member

Committee Members Present in Sacramento

Michael Shi, Chair, Licensed Member
Kitman Chan, Public Member

Committee Members Not Present

Francisco Hsieh, Public Member
Jamie Zamora, Public Member

Staff Present in Sacramento

Terri Thorfinnson, Executive Officer
Ben Bodea, Education Coordinator
Tammy Graver, Office Technician

Guest list on file

AGENDA

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

Chair Michael Shi (Shi) called the meeting to order at 1pm. Roll was taken: Shi – present in Sacramento; Aguinaldo – present in Los Angeles; Chan – present in Sacramento; Kang – present in Los Angeles. Francisco Hsieh and Jamie Zamora were absent. **3-0 quorum established.**

Agenda Item #2 – Opening Remarks



Chair Shi had no opening remarks.

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

No comments were made.

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

Chair Shi tabled this item.

Agenda Item #5 – E.O. Report: Budget (Discussion)

Executive Officer Terri Thorfinnson (Thorfinnson) provided an update on the Board's budget relating to staff levels and fees. She noted that in the 2012/2013 fiscal year revenues were \$2.678 million, dropping in 2013/2014 and again in 2014/2015. She also mentioned the Board's \$7 million reserve and that provided a cushion. She then mentioned SB 1246, the Board's pending Sunset Bill. She felt the bill would make it difficult for the Board to determine curriculum compliance, and that it would open the floodgates for all schools to apply for California curriculum approval. This would lead to a dramatic increase in staff workload. She noted she put a budget change proposal for four additional staff to handle the changes brought by SB 1246.

EO Thorfinnson then addressed raising fees to address revenue issues, which has never been done and noted the Board would need to get statutory authority to do so. She also referred to the enforcement costs which have been increasing in the last three years as a cost driver, and overhead from administrative services. Committee Member Aguinaldo asked about potential cost savings going to computerized testing; EO Thorfinnson replied it would be less costly but there were questions about that system working with DCA's future Breeze database software.

Member Aguinaldo also inquired about potential increases and additional staff and resources in the budget due to the passage of SB 1246. She felt the numbers about implementing SB 1246 were not supported. EO Thorfinnson replied the workload from an increased number of schools and CALE applicants would not be something present staff would be able to handle. She noted the Board would not have the tools or staff to handle the applicants from non-approved schools. Chair Shi agreed that it would be a lot of additional work. Member Aguinaldo then asked about prioritizing positions as part of the budget request, noting there has been a request for 3 more staff and a manager; EO Thorfinnson said the priority would be a manager to help create a licensure compliance unit at the Board.

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Discussion commenced about the need for raising fees. Member Chan was concerned about revenues and felt there was a need to increase the fees; Member Aguinaldo was open to raising fees but was concerned about how much to raise.

Public comment was taken on the item. A commenter had a few questions on SB 1246 which EO Thorfinnson answered. A second commenter asked about curriculum evaluation.

Chair Shi concluded the discussion.

Agenda Item #6 –Review and Consideration of Proposed Legislation; Committee Recommendations to Board

EO Thorfinnson reviewed bills of interest for the Committee to recommend positions to the full Board:

AB 12 (Cooley) State Government: administrative regulations: review

No recommendation to the Board was made by the Committee on the bill.

AB 19 (Chang) GO Biz: administrative regulations: review

No recommendation to the Board was made by the Committee on the bill.

AB 41 (Chau) Healing Arts Provider Discrimination

No recommendation to the Board was made by the Committee on the bill.

AB 85 (Wilk) Open Meetings Law: two member committees become public

MOTION: Member Chan made a motion to recommend the full Board make a decision on whether to support or oppose the bill. Chair Shi seconded the motion. Vote: Aguinaldo -- YES; Chan – YES; Hsieh – ABSENT; Shi – YES; Zamora – ABSENT. 3-0-2. MOTION PASSES.

AB 483 (Patterson) Healing Arts Initial Licensure proration licensing fees

No recommendation to the Board was made by the Committee on the bill.

AB 758 (Chau) Acupuncture and Training

No recommendation to the Board was made by the Committee on the bill.

AB 333 (Melendez) Healing Arts: continuing education credit for CPR instructors

No recommendation to the Board was made by the Committee on the bill.

SB 800 (Committee on Business, Professions & Economic Development)

MOTION: Member Chan made a motion to recommend the full Board make a decision on whether to support or oppose the bill. Chair Shi seconded the motion. Vote:

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Aguinaldo -- YES; Chan – YES; Hsieh – ABSENT; Shi – YES; Zamora – ABSENT. 3-0-2. MOTION PASSES.

AB 1351 (Eggman) Deferred Entry of Judgment: Pre-trial Diversion

MOTION: Member Chan made a motion to recommend the full Board make a decision on whether to support or oppose the bill. Chair Shi seconded the motion. Vote: Aguinaldo -- YES; Chan – YES; Hsieh – ABSENT; Shi – YES; Zamora – ABSENT. 3-0-2. MOTION PASSES.

AB 1352 (Eggman) Deferred Entry of Judgment: Withdrawal of Plea

MOTION: Member Chan made a motion to recommend the full Board make a decision on whether to support or oppose the bill. Chair Shi seconded the motion. Vote: Aguinaldo -- YES; Chan – YES; Hsieh – ABSENT; Shi – YES; Zamora – ABSENT. 3-0-2. MOTION PASSES.

Agenda Item #7 – Future Agenda Items

Member Aguinaldo asked the committee to review all regulations which need updating relating to public safety. Chair Shi asked for further work on budget issues.

Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment

Committee adjourned.

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