

SC BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS ACUPUNCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 18, 2022

Committee Meeting Minutes

Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building via WebEx
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Leslie Jafarace, Chairman of the Acupuncture Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, November 18, 2022 at 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. A quorum was present, and the meeting was held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act by notice mailed to The State Newspaper, Associated Press, and all other requesting persons, organizations, or news media. In addition, notice was posted on the bulletin boards located at both main entrances of the Kingstree Building where the Board office is located.

Committee members present via telephone were Ms. Leslie Jafarace, L.Ac, Dr. James Hogg, L.Ac, DACM, MSTOM, Dr. William Hendry, L.Ac, DAOM, Dr. Emily Darr, MD, and N. David Durant Staff participating in this meeting were Maggie Murdock, Board Administrator; Bob Horner, Advice Counsel, Katie Harlacher, Program Coordinator I, Vanessa Oliver, Administrative Assistant Court Reporter present was Tina Behles

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda for the meeting was reviewed and approved.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made and carried for the election of the 2020 Committee officers, as follows:

Chair - Dr. James Hogg, L.Ac, DACM, MSTOM

Vice-Chair - Dr. William Hendry, L.Ac, DAOM

Secretary - Ms. Leslie Jafarace, L.Ac.

The Committee discussed the terms of Dr. William Hendry and Ms. Leslie Jafarace that will expire February 2023 also General Public Member N. David Durant's resignation. As discussed, Mrs. Murdock will make the Board aware and will proceed with opening the positions to the public as vacant.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ADMINISTRATOR

Board Administrator, Maggie Murdock introduced herself to the committee as well as the Medical Board of Examiners' new Program Coordinator, Katie Harlacher and Advice Counsel, Bob Horner.

CHAIR REPORT

Ms. Jafarace informed the committee that on September 12, 2022, federal lobbyist and SC licensee, Dr. Kallie Guimond, organized an advocacy group called AcuCongress. The group met at the Capital and rendered services for the police officers, federal staff, and office holders performing Acupuncture and licensing procedure. AcuCongress will return to Washington in January 2023 and in Orlando, Florida in March 2023.

Administrator Report

Mrs. Murdock informed the committee of the new procedure for Acupuncture license. All Acupuncturists will be require to complete a Criminal Background check. Mrs. Murdock will present the expired terms and resignations to the Board of Medical examiners at the February 2023 meeting. Until the vacancies are filled, the current members will still serve.

Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2023 at 1:00 pm in Room 202-03.

Respectfully submitted by,
Vanessa C. Oliver, Administrative Assistant