

1 NORTH CAROLINA ACUPUNCTURE LICENSING BOARD

2 Friday, January 27, 2017

3 BOARD MEETING

4 The January 2017 Board meeting of the North Carolina Acupuncture Licensing Board took place on  
5 Friday, January 27, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. by conference call, with the following Board members  
6 participating: Cissy Majebe, L.Ac; Karen Vaughn, L.Ac.; Chester Phillips, L.Ac.; Marc Cutler, L. Ac.; Shay  
7 Cline, L.Ac.; Toni Rittenberg, L.Ac.; and Ji Fie Wang, L.Ac. Board member JudyKay Jefferson was absent.

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9 Also participating were Board Counsel, Michael Tadych, Esq., Pat Pritchard, Associate Director and  
10 Jennifer Whitehead, Administrative Assistant.

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12 Initially, the only member of the public present was Junie Norfleet, but at 9:17 Robert Nash, a license  
13 applicant, joined the conference call.

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15 C. Majebe called the January 2017 NCALB Board meeting to order at 9:07 a.m., took roll and noted there  
16 was a quorum present. C. Majebe read the Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Statement and then  
17 welcomed the member of the public to the meeting, inviting public comment. No public comment was  
18 offered. J. Norfleet was appointed Sergeant at Arms for the meeting.

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20 Ratification of December 2016 Minutes

21 The December 2016 minutes were presented to the Board for their review. K. Vaughn pointed out a  
22 typographical error on line 2 of page two. M. Cutler moved to approve the December 2016 minutes with  
23 the suggested amendment. K. Vaughn seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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25 C. Majebe announced that Lynnea Villanova had moved to New York and has resigned as a member of  
26 the Board, asking that C. Majebe convey to the Board that she had enjoyed working with the Board  
27 members. C. Majebe reported that she had sent a letter to the Governor with possible names for a  
28 replacement for our physician member, and requested that if any Board member has additional  
29 recommendations, they send the names to her so that she could pass those suggestions on to the  
30 Governor as well.

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32 C. Majebe announced the need to go into closed session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11 (a)(3),  
33 to preserve the attorney client privilege while conferring with Mr. Tadych about the lawsuit against the  
34 North Carolina Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, and the lawsuit filed by Elizabeth Henry and others  
35 against the Board and its members, and pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat §143-318.11 (a)(1), to discuss  
36 confidential licensing matters. K. Vaughn moved that the Board go into closed session to confer with its  
37 attorney. M. Cutler seconded and the motion passed unanimously. At 9:23 a.m. the Board adjourned  
38 the open session of the meeting.

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40 Closed Session

41 At 9:24 a.m. the Board commenced a closed session meeting based on attorney client privilege. The  
42 closed session adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

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44 Open Session Resumed

45 At 9:56 a.m. the Board resumed its open session. Roll was taken, confirming the presence of Board  
46 members and members of the public as noted at the outset of the meeting, with the exception of T.  
47 Rittenberg.

1 Standards and Licensure Committee

2 K. Vaughn reported that during the month, the Committee had reviewed materials from eight new  
3 license applicants, and that seven of the new license applicants were now ready for approval: Rosalie  
4 Bujtor, Susanna Lea, Robert Nash, Erica Rosen, Bailey Warstler, Michael Lacidonia, and Ashley Taylor. K.  
5 Vaughn moved to approve the applications for licensure of all seven of the above listed applicants. S.  
6 Cline seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Accordingly, Rosalie Bujtor, Susanna  
7 Lea, Robert Nash, Erica Rosen, Bailey Warstler, Michael Lacidonia, and Ashley Taylor were approved for  
8 licensing as of January 27, 2016. [T. Rittenberg was not on the call at the time].  
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10 K. Vaughn reported that Gregory Casey's application for license reinstatement had been reviewed and  
11 approved by the Committee. K. Vaughn moved to reinstate Gregory Casey's North Carolina acupuncture  
12 license. S. Cline seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. [T. Rittenberg was not on the call at  
13 the time].  
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15 With regard to courses submitted for CEU approval, K. Vaughn advised the Board that three of the four  
16 courses submitted to the Board for approval have received preliminary approval by the Standards and  
17 Licensure Committee:  
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19 Course Title: Pain Relief Through Ishizaka Ryu Japanese Acupuncture

20 Provider/Organization: NCAAOM

21 CEUs Requested: 4  
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23 Course Title: Traditional Pulse Diagnosis for Contemporary Practice

24 Provider/Organization: NCAAOM

25 CEUs Requested: 16  
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27 Course Title: TCM Treatment Strategies for Common Headache/All About Back and Knee Pain

28 Provider/Organization: NCAAOM

29 CEUs Requested: 3  
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31 K. Vaughn moved approval of the above three courses for the requested CEU credits; S. Cline seconded  
32 and the motion was passed unanimously. [T. Rittenberg was not on the call at the time].  
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34 K. Vaughn reported that the fourth course submitted for CEU approval, set forth below, did not receive  
35 preliminary approval by the Standards and Licensure Committee, for failure to meet the standards for  
36 continuing education as set forth in 21 NCAC 01.0301 and 21 NCAC 01.0104:  
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38 Course Title: Acutronics 2: Higher Harmonics and the Inner Nature of Tone

39 Provider/Organization: Divine Resource Health Center

40 CEUs Requested: 24  
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42 K. Vaughn reported that five courses had been submitted for CEU teaching credit, and received  
43 preliminary approval by the Standards and Licensure Committee:  
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45 Course Title: Herbal Medicine IV

46 Provider/Organization: Daoist Traditions College

1 Lecturer: Ann Wolman, L.Ac.  
2 Date/Location: Daoist Traditions College, Spring 2017  
3 Teaching CEUs Requested: 10  
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5 Course Title: Practical Cupping Part One & Part Two  
6 Provider/Organization: Waynesville Wellness  
7 Lecturer: Nate Novgrod, L.Ac.  
8 Date/Location: WNC School of Massage, April 8-9, 2017  
9 Teaching CEUs Requested: 15  
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11 Course Title: Clinical Internship C402  
12 Provider/Organization: Jung Tao School of Classical Chinese Medicine  
13 Lecturer: Julie Barefoot, L.Ac.  
14 Date/Location: Jung Tao School, February-June 2017  
15 Teaching CEUs Requested: 15  
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17 Course Title: Balance Technique Module I & Balance Technique Module II  
18 Provider/Organization: Acu Care Clinic  
19 Lecturer: Jim Westmoreland, L.Ac.  
20 Date/Location: Denver, NC, March 4-5, 2017  
21 Teaching CEUs Requested: 15  
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23 Course Title: Balance Technique Module I & Balance Technique Module II  
24 Provider/Organization: Acu Care Clinic  
25 Lecturer: Stephen A. Rummage, L.Ac.  
26 Date/Location: Denver, NC, March 4-5, 2017  
27 Teaching CEUs Requested: 15  
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29 K. Vaughn moved approval of the above five courses for the requested teaching CEU credits; S. Cline  
30 seconded and the motion was passed unanimously. [T. Rittenberg was not on the call at the time].  
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32 With regard to the license application of Carmen Lilly, a Florida licensee, K. Vaughn moved to not grant  
33 her a North Carolina license at this time, until she has taken the NCCAOM examination. S. Cline  
34 seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously, with T. Rittenberg back on the call.  
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36 Ethics Committee

37 C. Phillips reported that he will be contacting the Board Attorney to review outstanding cases in an  
38 effort to bring closure to pending matters.  
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40 Rules Review Committee

41 C. Majebe reported that the Rules Review Committee would set a meeting to make sure the Rules were  
42 properly formatted and ready to submit to the Rules Review Commission.  
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44 Board Operations Committee

45 J. Norfleet stated that she had nothing to report.  
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1 Financial Report by Treasurer

2 T. Rittenberg recommended that reports be sent monthly or quarterly to licensees to update them on  
3 what we are working on, in the hope that would help with fundraising to support all the Board's efforts;  
4 after further discussion, it was decided that a more realistic goal might be to send out a report twice a  
5 year.

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7 General Matters

8 C. Majebe noted the importance for all Board members to volunteer for a committee and make a  
9 commitment of time. Due to the need for fundraising, C. Majebe suggested the creation of a Fund  
10 Raising Committee/Financial Committee to work with T. Rittenberg and C. Majebe; J.F. Wang  
11 volunteered to be on that committee, and K. Vaughn said she would help when she could, given her  
12 other commitments to the Ethics and Licensing and Standards Committee. It was agreed that M. Cutler  
13 could be the second signer on Board checks that require more than one signature. C. Majebe announced  
14 that the next Board Meeting will take place by conference call on February 24, 2017.

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16 With no further business, at 10:49 a.m., K. Vaughn moved to adjourn the meeting, T. Rittenberg  
17 seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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