

ADVISORY BOARD ON ACUPUNCTURE
Minutes
October 7, 2020
Electronic Meeting

The Advisory Board on Acupuncture held a virtual meeting on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 hosted at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Janet Borges, L.Ac., Chair
Sharon Crowell, L.Ac., Vice-Chair
R. Keith Bell, L.Ac.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chheany W.C. Ung, MD
Beth Rodgers

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Michael Sobowale, LLM, Deputy Director, Licensing
Colanthia Morton Opher, Deputy Director, Administration
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst
Beulah Baptist Archer, Licensing Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER

Janet Borges, L.Ac. called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

EMERGENCY EGRESS PROCEDURES

Janet Borges announced the emergency egress instructions.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called, and a quorum was declared.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 24, 2019

Sharon Crowell moved to approve the minutes from the May 24, 2019 meeting. Janet Borges seconded. By roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

R. Keith Bell moved to adopt the agenda. Sharon Crowell seconded. The agenda was adopted by a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Regulatory Update and Report from the 2020 General Assembly

Elaine Yeatts provided a regulatory update and report of the actions of the 2020 General Assembly. She discussed bills that were of interest to members.

2. Approval of 2021 Meeting Calendar

Sharon Crowell motioned to approve the meeting calendar for 2021. R. Keith Bell seconded. By roll call vote, the 2021 meeting calendar was approved.

3. Election of Officers

Sharon Crowell moved that Janet Borges remain Chair of the Advisory Board. R. Keith Bell seconded. Janet Borges nominated Sharon Crowell to continue as Vice-Chair. R. Keith Bell seconded. By roll call vote, Janet Borges was elected to continue as Chair, and Sharon Crowell was elected to continue as Vice-Chair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board has 582 licensed acupuncturists. From May 2019 to the present, 66 licenses have been issued. 436 are current active with 135 of those being out-of-state.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

January 27, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Janet Borges adjourned the meeting at 10:36 am.

Janet L. Borges, L. Ac., Chair

William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

Beulah Baptist Archer, Licensing Specialist