

**ADVISORY BOARD ON ACUPUNCTURE
MINUTES**

February 10, 2004

The Advisory Board on Acupuncture met on February 11, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Health Professions, 6603 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia. Jody Forman, Chair, called the meeting to order. A quorum was declared.

A Public Hearing on proposed fast-track regulations to accept applications from candidacy-status acupuncture programs was held. Several members of the Advisory Board offered comment.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jody Forman, MSW, L.Ac., Chair
Betsy Brooks Carr
Marie M. Stephenson, L.Ac.
Robert K. Su, M.D.
Young Chin Yi, L.Ac.

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director of Licensing
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst
Pam Nicholson, Licensing Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT: Christine Cannaday, Virginia Society of Ophthalmology

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 7, 2003 MEETING

Dr. Su moved to approve the minutes of the Advisory Board on Acupuncture dated September 10, 2003. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dr. Su moved to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment.

#1. Chart of regulatory action.

There was no chart presented at this time.

#2. Review of draft proposed regulations for professional ethics.

Ms. Yeatts presented the draft regulations regarding standards of professional conduct as developed by the Ad Hoc Committee on Ethics. She explained the process necessary for the Advisory Board to draft regulations for their profession. After a lengthy review Ms. Yeatts stated that she would provide a draft to the Advisory Board at their next meeting on May 18, 2004.

#3. Bylaws amendments.

Ms. Yeatts explained that the bylaws of the Advisory Board on Acupuncture required changes to conform to law and to be consistent with the other advisory board bylaws. Upon review, Dr. Su moved to recommend to the full Board to adopt the amended bylaws. The motion was seconded and carried.

#4. Proposed legislation from the 2004 session of the General Assembly.

Ms. Yeatts provided the Advisory Board with current pending legislation and highlighted bills relevant to the practice of acupuncture, or of interest to their profession. There was no action necessary.

#5. FAOMRA meeting.

Ms. Powers informed the Advisory Board that the Federation of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Regulatory Agencies will be meeting on April 29 and 30, 2004 in Hollywood, California. She asked if there was any interest by members to attend. Ms. Forman informed the board that a former Advisory Board member and honorary FAOMRA member would be attending the Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Alliance meeting at that time and she would ask him if he could attend the FAOMRA meeting and provide feedback to the Advisory Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next scheduled meeting date is May 18, 2004.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Su moved to adjourn the meeting of the Acupuncture Advisory Board. The motion was seconded and carried.

Jody Forman, MSW, L.Ac.
Chair

William L. Harp, M.D.
Executive Director

Pam Nicholson,
Acupuncture Licensing Specialist