

IDAHO BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE
Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses
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Board Meeting Minutes of 5/13/2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Margret J Blair - Chair
Gretchen A Huettig
Mathew Melton

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Kameron Schott
John Downey

DIVISION STAFF: Anne Lawler, Bureau Chief
Kent Absec, Licensing Program Manager
Skip Liddle, Investigative Unit Supervisor
Nicholas Crema, General Counsel
Cesley Metcalfe, Board Support Supervisor
Christian Runnalls, Board Support Specialist
Emily Rough, Board Support Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Lance Giles, The Giles Group, LLC

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 PM MDT by Margret J Blair.

ZERO-BASED REGULATION UPDATE

Mr. Absec stated that the draft containing proposed changes to IDAPA 24.17.01 received no comments during the public comment session on April 18th. There will be a negotiated rule making session on May 19th to provide the public an additional opportunity to comment on the proposed changes. Ms. Lawler explained the remainder of the ZBR process following the negotiated rule making session.

DIVISION UPDATES

Ms. Lawler stated that the Division will be moving to its permanent building by July 1st. In-person meetings will resume in August. Meetings will continue to offer a virtual component for Board members who are unable to travel and for public attendance.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Lawler gave the financial report, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$24,173.84 as of March 23, 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Giles thanked Division staff for including the Idaho Acupuncture Association in the Zero-Based Regulation process.

DISCUSSION ON DRY NEEDLING CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Board discussed whether to accept dry needling courses for continuing education credit.

Ms. Huettig made a motion to approve the dry needling Continuing Education course for license number ACU-271. It was seconded by Ms. Blair. Motion carried.

INVESTIGATIONS AND DISCIPLINE

COMPLAINT MEMORANDUM

Mr. Liddle gave the investigative report, which is linked above.

APPLICATIONS

Mr. Melton made a motion to approve application ACUA-440 pending successful passage of the NCCAOM examination. It was seconded by Ms. Huettig. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Huettig made a motion to approve the minutes of 2/4/2022. It was seconded by Mr. Melton. Motion carried.

DIVISION UPDATE

Ms. Huettig informed the Board and Division staff that her term on the Board expires on July 1st, and that she does not wish to be reappointed. Ms. Lawler stated that she will follow-up with the Governor's Office on pending applications. Ms. Huettig agreed to continue to serve on the Board until a replacement is appointed.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Blair adjourned the meeting at 2:00 PM MDT.