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Maine Board of Complementary Health Care Providers
Minutes of November 9, 2022, Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ackerly called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sarah Ackerly, Naturopathic Doctor, Chairperson
Julie Taylor, Naturopathic Doctor, and Acupuncturist
Cheryl Ann Sarton, Certified Nurse Midwife
Mary Ellen Corrigan, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
Louisa Hope Jackson, Certified Professional Midwife, Complaint Officer

STAFF PRESENT

Geraldine Betts, Administrator
Megan Hudson-MacRae, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Jessica Gowell, Professional Licensing Supervisor
Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I, Application Presentation

MINUTES REVIEW AND ACTION

April 13, 2022

Sarton move to accept the minutes of April 13, 2022, as presented, seconded by Ackerly.
Ackerly, Sarton and Corrigan in favor, Jackson and Taylor abstained. Motion carried.

COMPLAINT PRESENTATION(S) AND BOARD ACTION

2021-CHC-17952

Ackerly recused, audio and video were turned off

Corrigan moved to dismiss 2021-CHC-17952 with no evidence of a violation of the Board's Laws and Rules, seconded by Sarton. Corrigan and Sarton in favor, Ackerly recused, Taylor and Complaint Officer Jackson abstained. Motion carried.

2022-CHC-18334

Sarton moved to dismiss 2021-CHC-18334 with no evidence of a violation of the Board's Laws and Rules, seconded by Corrigan. Ackerly, Sarton, Taylor and Corrigan in favor, Complaint Officer Jackson abstained. Motion carried.

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2022-CHC-18469

Sarton moved to dismiss 2021-CHC-18469 with no evidence of a violation of the Board's Laws and Rules, seconded by Corrigan. Ackerly, Sarton, Taylor and Corrigan in favor, Complaint Officer Jackson abstained. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2023

Taylor moved to table action, seconded by Sarton. Unanimously voted.

APPLICATION REVIEW AND BOARD ACTION

Nicole Egenberger, NP706 (Renewal)

Taylor moved to preliminarily deny licensure to Nicole Egenberger and to offer a Consent Agreement in include the following: 1) Admission to violation of 10 M.R.S. § 8003(5-A)(A)(4) and (5), Board Rules Chapter 6 Section 2 (A)(B) and (C) as required by 32 M.R.S. § 12522(4)(C); Warning; and 3) Probation until December 1, 2023, during which the licensee shall enter into a collaborative relationship and submit the Collaborative Relationship Reporting Form to the Board on a quarterly basis; First quarter due on March 1, 2023 (for December 2022, January 2023, and February 2023); Second quarter due on June 1, 2023 (for March, April, and May 2023); Third quarter due on September 1, 2023 (for June, July, and August 2023); Fourth quarter due on December 1, 2023 (for September, October, and November 2023), seconded by Corrigan. Unanimously voted.

Jeffery Logan, AC157 (Renewal, request for deferment of continuing professional education)

Sarton moved to accept staff's recommendation and approve the request for a hardship, allowing the licensee until December 31, 2022, to submit the thirty hours of continuing education, the license will not be renewed until proof of completion is submitted and the continuing education completed will not be counted towards the continuing education requirement for re-licensure. If proof of completion is not submitted by December 31, 2022, staff will preliminarily deny the 2022 renewal application and offer a consent agreement to include the following: 1) Admission to 32 M.R.S. § 12516 (1) and Board Rules Chapter 5 Section 1 (2) and (3) and Section 2 (1); 2) Warning; 3) \$250.00 fine and 4) Completion of two (2) hours for each one hour of deficient continuing education (a total of 60 hours) within six months of signing the consent agreement. The education credits will not count towards the continuing education credits required for re-licensure, seconded by Taylor. Unanimously voted.

CORRESPONDENCE

Marie Arnberg, Auricular Acupuncture Detoxification POCA Training

Taylor moved to table action and request staff to obtain additional information regarding the People's Organization for Community Acupuncture (POCA) and the National Acupuncture Detoxification Association (NADA) training so the Board can compare the two programs and would like to see the curriculum for both and information about the training for a traditional acupuncture program.

ADJOURN

There being no further business Taylor moved to adjourn at 10:32 a.m., seconded by Sarton. Unanimously voted.

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Prepared By: Jessica Gowell, Comprehensive Health Planner II

Board approved: March 15, 2023