

SHIATSU SOCIETY (UK)

Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM 2&3)

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Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2009, 3.00pm

University of Westminster, 35 Marylebone Road, London NW1 5LS

Chair: Tamsin Grainger  
Directors Present: Elizabeth Davies  
David Home  
Catherine Scanlon  
Phil Brown  
Minutes: Samantha Haywood  
Present: 52 members (the meeting was quorate)

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**(1) APOLOGIES**

Alison Glover, Bill Armstrong, Cheryl Jenkinson, Christiane Heidler, Daisuke Tani, David Par, David Talbot, Dinah John, Gill Blake, Isobel Gordon, Jacqueline Mangold, Kim Lovelace, Mary Parr, Megan Webster, Penelope Jackson, Peter Joseph, Rochelle Wilson, Tom Griffin, Virginia Walker.

**(2) MINUTES OF THE EGM2 2009**

Tamsin Grainger proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting and should be approved as such. Mick Duncan seconded. 34 for, 0 against, 6 abstentions. The proposal was passed.

**(3) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EGM 2009**

There were no matters arising.

**(4) PROPOSALS**

**(a) Proposal to delete Rules & Regulations 3)c)iii) (3) and (4)**

Proposed by: Barbara Marks  
Seconded by: 19 other members – Karen Livesey, Stephanie Harrington, Katherin Townsend, Bill Commerford, Jonathan Clifford, Virginia Walker, Susan van Elmpt, Teresa Hadland, Adam Hellinger, Char Scrivener, Bill Palmer, Suzi Counce, Wendy Francis, Lyn Bradshaw, Eileen Young, Matthew Leavey, Roozbehan Reza, Kate Burford

Proposal to remove the 4-year maximum rule for Graduate Members.

Rationale: In view of the way regulation is developing, via the Complementary and Natural Healthcare Council (CNHC) it seems appropriate to remove the 4-year time limit necessary for Graduates to join the professional register (MRSS) within four years.

Proposal:

“That we propose to remove the Rules and Regulations section 3)c)iii) (3) and (4).”

*(3) Members may only be in this category for a total of 4 years. If membership in this category is interrupted by a period as an Associate Member, the calculation of the total number of years as a Graduate Member will resume from the point where Graduate membership was ceased. See Rules and Regulations Section 14.*

*(4) Members may be in this category for a maximum of 3 years before commencing their Post Graduate Year or a maximum of 4 years before successfully passing the Society’s MRSS Assessment if the Post Graduate Year route is not available to them. The 4-year period starts from January 2006 for those already in this category. If, at the point of application, a Graduate member is not accepted as a MRSS and becomes an Associate member but continues to work on aspects of their practice before re-presenting themselves for MRSS, then the three year period of 3)c)ii)4) does not apply.*

(re-number sections 5 – 7, as 4 - 6).

A vote took place and 7/8<sup>th</sup>s majority was required as this is a change to the Rules & Regulations.

For: 51  
Against: 1

Abstention: 0 The proposal was passed.

**(b) Proposal to change Rules & Regulations 3)iv)**

Proposed by: Barbara Marks

Seconded by: 19 other members – Teresa Hadland, Lisa Esmonde, Jean Robertson-Molloy, Amy Freezer, Wayne Prosper, Lynn Bradshaw, Julie Tasker, David Home, Bryony Williams, Patricia Bryan, Suzi Counce, Patricia Lunn, Jane Groombridge, Andrew Clarke, David Chatterley, Ann Thomas, Andy Morgan, Tim Mason, Francesca Jaggs

3)iv). To add the following paragraphs to the Rules and Regulations:

“(a) Or have been a graduate member of the Shiatsu Society, commencing before December 2006 and can present a) evidence of a minimum number of 100 treatments for the year prior to application; b) evidence of appropriate CPD for the same period, and c) with a letter of recommendation from a member of the current SSUK assessment pool, unknown to the applicant. The letter must clearly state that a safe and appropriate treatment has been received by the assessment pool member and that there is satisfactory knowledge of the ethics code of the Shiatsu Society has occurred. (The member of the assessment pool can reserve the right to ask for a second opinion and ask for another pool member to be involved in the process).”

“(2a) Or have been a Professional practitioner abroad for a minimum of 3 years and can a) provide a copy of their Curriculum Vitae (CV); b) present evidence of a minimum number of 100 treatments for the year prior to application and c) a letter of recommendation from a member of the current SSUK assessment pool, unknown to the applicant. The letter must clearly state that a safe and appropriate treatment has been received by the assessment pool member and that there is satisfactory knowledge of the ethics code of the Shiatsu Society has occurred. (The member of the assessment pool can reserve the right to ask for a second opinion and ask for another pool member to be involved in the process). “

A vote took place and 7/8<sup>th</sup>'s majority was required as this is a change to the Rules & Regulations.

For 50

Against 0

Abstentions 2 The proposal was passed.

**(5) ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

The meeting closed at 4.41 pm.