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MICHIGAN BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS MAY 15, 2012

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Occupational Therapists met in regular session on May 15, 2012 at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Diane Andert, OTR, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Diane Andert, OTR, Chairperson
Susan Robosan-Burt, OTR, Vice Chairperson
Christie Clipper, Public Member
Gerry Conti, PhD, OTR
William Sisco, OTR
Grace Smith, Public Member (arrived at 10:05 a.m.)

Members Absent: LoRon Polk, Public Member

Staff Present: Christine Hanson, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Bureau of Health Professions
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Health Regulatory Division
Kelly Hugh, Policy Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Desmond Mitchell, Policy Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Pam Millben, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
William Hurth, Manager, Enforcement Section, Health Regulatory Division
Graham Filler, Assistant Attorney General

Others Present: Carol Holmes
Gail Shafer Crane
Scott Davies

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Conti, seconded by Sisco, to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2012 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Robosan-Burt, seconded by Conti, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Nikole Demarius Jenkins, O.T. – Petition for Reinstatement

MOTION by Conti, seconded by Smith, to grant reinstatement to a full and unrestricted license in the matter of Nikole Demarius Jenkins, O.T., with the following probationary conditions:

- 1) Petitioner shall be placed on probation for a period of one year.
- 2) Petitioner shall comply with the Michigan Public Health Code.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Smith, Conti, Robosan-Burt, Sisco, Clipper, Andert

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Office of Regulatory Reinvention – Occupational Administrative Rules Committee Report to Governor

Ramsdell provided background information on the creation of the Office of Regulatory Reinvention (ORR), as well as the formation of the Occupational Licensing Advisory Rules Committee. She directed the Board members to the ORR Recommendation #D6 regarding the proposed deregulation of Occupational Therapists and provided rationale for the recommendation. She noted that any such action would require a statutory change.

Discussion was held amongst Board members and Department staff regarding the legislative process for making statutory changes and the impact the recommendation would have on the health profession. Ramsdell reminded Board members to refrain from seeking legislative changes on behalf of the Board. She suggested individuals contact professional associations and organizations to seek their assistance in voicing opposition to the proposed recommendation.

Hugh informed that the draft of the administrative rules and the regulatory impact statement have been submitted to ORR for review and approval before the rules can advance to the public hearing stage.

Department Update

Covered under Office of Regulatory Reinvention – Occupational Administrative Rules Committee Report to Governor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gail Schaffer Crane asked for clarification regarding deregulation of the Occupational Therapists Board. She spoke on how deregulation will set a dangerous precedent and the necessity for disciplinary regulation at the state level.

Scott Davies introduced himself to the Board and inquired how ORR's recommendation would be beneficial.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held August 21, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 2, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

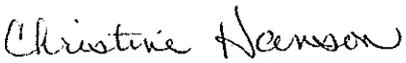
MOTION by Conti, seconded by Robosan-Burt, to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m.



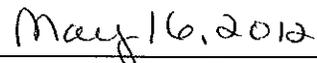
Diane Andert, OTR, Chairperson



Date Minutes Approved



Christine Hanson, Board Secretary



Date Minutes Prepared