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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF MEDICINE MARCH 21, 2012 MEETING

### ***APPROVED MINUTES***

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Medicine met in regular session on March 21, 2012, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

### ***CALL TO ORDER***

Richard Burney, M.D., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

### ***ROLL CALL***

***Members Present:*** Richard Burney, M.D., Chairperson  
Mohammed Arsiwala, M.D.  
Richard Bates  
Oliver Cameron, M.D., Ph.D.  
David Dull, M.D.  
Jamie Frain, Public Member  
Theresa Fraley, Public Member  
Peter Graham, M.D., Vice-Chairperson  
Vivian Leung, Public Member  
Louis Prues, Public Member  
Meghan Riley, PA-C  
James Rogers, M.D.  
Leticia San Diego, Ph.D., Public Member  
Cheryl Graham Solomon, Public Member  
Dennis Szymanski, M.D.  
Rosalie Tocco-Bradley, M.D., Ph.D.  
Gail Torreano, Public Member

***Members Absent:*** Cynthia Pasky, Public Member  
David Weingarden, M.D.

**Staff Present:** Christine Hanson, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division  
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Health Regulatory Division  
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Health Regulatory Division  
Kiran Parag, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division  
William Hurth, Manager, Enforcement Section, Health Regulatory Division  
Michele Wagner-Gutkowski, Assistant Attorney General  
Bridget Smith, Assistant Attorney General  
Laury Brown, Health Regulatory Division

**Others Present:** Tom Sparks  
Wanda Velez-Ruiz  
Loyd Perez  
Mike DeGrow, Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants

## ***INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS***

Burney welcomed new Board member Richard Bates, MD to the Board of Medicine and asked him to introduce himself, which he did.

Burney asked that Board members review their contact information and notify Hanson of any corrections.

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Dull, seconded by Cameron, to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2012 meeting with the following correction:

Under **Board Orientation**, it is noted that Burney and Ramsdell provided the PowerPoint presentation.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

*MOTION* by San Diego, seconded by Leung, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS***

### **Wanda Enid Velez-Ruiz, MD – Proposal for Decision/Reinstatement**

Wagner-Gutkowski recused herself from this matter and left the room; she was replaced by Assistant Attorney General Bridget Smith.

*MOTION* by Dull, seconded by Graham, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny Reinstatement in the matter of Wanda Enid Velez-Ruiz, MD.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed:                      Yeas: Dull, Graham Solomon, Prues, Riley, Torreano, Tocco-Bradley, Frain, Arsiwala, San Diego, Bates, Szymanski, Fraley, Graham, Leung, Cameron, Rogers, Burney

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***COMMITTEE REPORTS***

### **INVESTIGATIONS AND ALLEGATIONS**

Rogers reported that at the February meeting, the committee members reviewed 41 files; with 14 files authorized for investigation, 26 closed, and 1 returned to the Department for additional information. He reported for the month of March there were 32 files reviewed by seven reviewers; 9 files authorized for investigation, 22 files closed, and 1 returned to the Department for additional information. All decisions were reviewed and discussed by the committee as a whole. The committee will continue to meet on a monthly basis.

### **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

Burney reported that the committee members met today and prioritized topics for future discussions. He stated the committee will focus on: 1) Review the DSC Master Resolution, 2) Review the Administrative Rules, and 3) Review data collected at license renewal. He stated the committee will meet next month via telephone conference.

### **DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE**

Fraley reported that the Committee met prior to today's meeting and considered 15 matters; 10 consent order and stipulations, 2 dismissals, 1 petition for reclassification, and 2 administrative complaints. She stated Szymanski and Frain replaced Dull and Leung on the Disciplinary Subcommittee.

## **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Burney provided a brief overview and circulated handouts detailing regulatory case files he had received from the Department for decisions over the preceding two months, including his recommendations for each case file, so that Board members would be informed, in the interest of transparency, about his activities as chair.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Department Update**

Ramsdell provided general information regarding Board and committee meeting locations and parking information. Hanson will include in the next Board packet a parking map.

Ramsdell stated that Dr. Talmage, from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) will attend the next Board meeting in May. Burney commented that FSMB publishes a newsletter including topics on actions, accreditation and areas of importance. He encouraged that Board members stay abreast of these topics.

Discussion amongst Board members and staff was held regarding the application and renewal process for health professionals and the Michigan Automated Prescription System (MAPS) monitoring program. Ramsdell will provide application and renewal statistical information at a future meeting; she will also invite Mike Wissel, Manager of MAPS, to provide a presentation on MAPS to the Board.

Additional discussion was held regarding the Board addressing mental health treatment issues facing the state. Burney will look into this matter and, if applicable to board operations, bring up for discussion at a later date.

### **Tocco-Bradley – Trip to Vietnam**

Tocco-Bradley provided a synopsis of her two week medical mission trip to Vietnam. She and the team she traveled with provided surgical care primarily for patients with cleft lip or palate, burns, and needing reconstructive surgery. She spoke of her day-to-day routine and how, although resources were limited, the experience was very gratifying. Burney commented that experiences such as this give new perspective to health care issues in the United States.

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

Wanda Enid Velez-Ruiz spoke regarding specifics to her case and asked the Board for reconsideration.

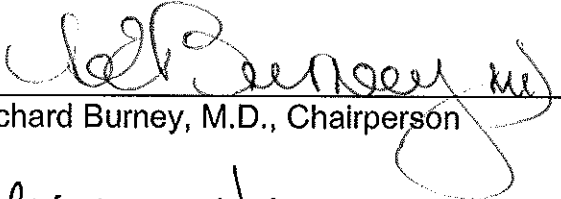
Edgardo Perez-De Leon spoke regarding specifics to Dr. Velez-Ruiz's case, he also asked the Board for reconsideration.


## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 16, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

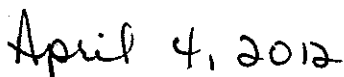
## ***ADJOURNMENT***

*MOTION* by Torreano, seconded by Szymanski, to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

  
Richard Burney, M.D., Chairperson

  
Christine Hanson, Board Secretary

  
Date Minutes Approved

  
Date Minutes Prepared