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## **MICHIGAN BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY MEETING APRIL 14, 2015 APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Physical Therapy met in regular session April 14, 2015, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

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

Vijay Kumar, D.P.T., Ph.D., M.D., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

### ***ROLL CALL***

***Members Present:*** Vijay Kumar, DPT, Ph.D, MD  
Brian Gilbert, PT  
Mark Epolito, Public Member  
Sarah McAllister, PT  
Ajay Middha, DPT  
Linda Minter, Public Member  
Renee Przystas, PT  
Barbara Simmons, PTA  
Adam Swain, PT, AT

***Members Absent:*** Jeff Munford, Public Member  
John Poronto, Public Member

***Staff Present:*** Shellayne Grimes, Secretary, Policy, Rules and Board Support  
Norene Lind, Board Manager, Policy, Rules and Board Support  
Elaine Barr, Policy Analyst, Policy, Rules & Board Support  
Pamela Millben, Analyst, Enforcement Division  
Sue Bushong, HPRP Contract Administrator/Outreach Coordinator

***Others Present:*** Jake Jakubiak Kovacek, Michigan Physical Therapy Association  
John Timothy Zipple, Michigan Physical Therapy Association

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## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Simmons, seconded by Gilbert, to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2015 meeting, as presented.

A voice vote was held.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

*MOTION* by Minter, seconded by Epolito, to approve the agenda, as presented.

A voice vote was held.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS***

None

## ***OLD BUSINESS***

None

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

### **A. MPTA Spring Conference Recap**

Kumar and Middha attended the MPTA Spring Conference in Bay City, Michigan on March 27-28, 2015.

Middha commented that he attended the Conference on March 28, 2015 only. It was a great experience with good information.

Kumar attended both days of the Conference. He noted that there were great presentations on Direct Access and Continuing Professional Development (CPD).

### **B. Proposed Administrative Rules Status**

Barr informed that the proposed Administrative Rules are currently under review by the Office of Regulatory Reinvention (ORR). She is hopeful the rules will be filed with the Secretary of State and become effective sometime in the fall of 2015.

Discussion was held as to whether or not any changes could be made to the rules at this point in the rulemaking process in order to provide a technical clarification. Lind noted that it was too late to make changes to this draft, as the public comment period has passed. The discussion related to a suggestion that was made to define one continuing professional development hour as 50-60 minutes. The Board determined that the rule, as currently written, adopts the credit hours assigned by the sponsors, which is how they prefer to state the requirement. Therefore, the rule does not need to be changed.

### **C. Direct Access Roundtable Discussion**

Middha questioned the interpretation and application of the statute that allows direct access for 21 days or for 10 treatments.

### **D. Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) Report**

Bushong provided highlights and fielded questions relating to the HPRP Annual Statistical Report that was distributed to Board members. She informed that the HPRP has a 64% - 69% success rate.

### **E. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Kumar reported that since the last meeting, he has received some allegation files that he shared with the Allegation and Investigation Committee.

Kumar attended the Jurisprudence Exam item workshop in Alexandria, Virginia January 23-25, 2015. Lind inquired of Kumar if discussions have taken place regarding fraudulent credentialing. He responded that the FSBPT has been proactive in its efforts to address the problem. Federal authorities have become involved to assist with the process.

He also attended the MPTA Spring Conference in Bay City, Michigan, March 27-28, 2015. He will be attending the Foreign Education Committee Meeting in Alexandria, Virginia, April 16-17, 2015. Lastly, he will be attending the World Confederation of Physical Therapy (WCPT) in Singapore, May 1-4, 2015. While in Singapore, he will be attending the INPTRA Network of regulatory authority.

Kumar and Gilbert will attend the FSBPT Annual Meeting in Orlando, Florida, October 15-17, 2015 as the Delegate and Alternate Delegate for Michigan.

### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Lind announced that the Bureau will be reorganized during 2015.

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

Jake Jakubiak Kovacek clarified that the Department did not receive the email she sent Board members regarding the suggestion to amend the proposed Administrative Rules. She asked that she be provided with the correct departmental email address to use, so that she may include the Department in any future correspondence.

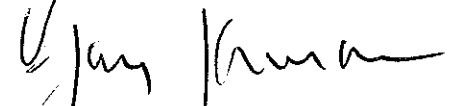
Kovacek also pointed out a typographical error in the Board's Approved Minutes dated October 14, 2014, that should reference five statutes instead of four.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

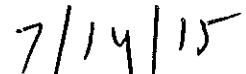
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held July 14, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 4, and Lansing, Michigan.

## ***ADJOURNMENT***

*MOTION* by Gilbert, seconded by McAllister, to adjourn the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

  
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Vijay Kumar, DPT, Chairperson

  
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Shellayne Grimes, Board Secretary

  
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Date Minutes Approved

  
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Date Minutes Prepared