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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

### AUGUST 10, 2012 MEETING

### APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Respiratory Care met in regular session on August 10, 2012 at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Carl Haas, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Carl Haas, LRT, Chairperson  
John Rinck, LRT, Vice-Chairperson  
James Berry, Jr., LRT  
Beverly Cherwinski, Public Member  
Randall Kehr, LRT  
Julia Prins, LRT  
Patrick Monks, Public Member

**Members Absent:** Ilene Abramson, PhD, Public Member  
John Darin, LRT  
John Hyka, LRT  
Richard Tooker, MD

**Staff Present:** Amy Schneider, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division  
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Bureau of Health Professions  
Desmond Mitchell, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division  
Stephanie Rosenthal, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division

**Others Present:** Derek Schultz, Sparrow Hospital

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Rinck, seconded by Kehr, to approve the May 11, 2012 meeting minutes with the following correction:

### **Old Business**

Kehr inquired when the (FAQ) Facts and Questions will be posted to the web. Mitchell advised he would be working on this.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

*MOTION* by Monks, seconded by Rinck, to approve the agenda as presented.

## ***REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS***

None

## ***OLD BUSINESS***

### **FAQ Update**

Ramsdell updated the Board on (FAQ) Facts and Questions stating that she would send Haas an updated record for his approval to be posted on the website. Haas said that he would share with Board via- e-mail for review prior to approval.

### **ORR Recommendations and Current Status**

Ramsdell reported on the status of the (ORR) Occupational Licensing Advisory Rules Committee report and recommendations. However, bills have not yet been introduced to further this recommendation.

Haas inquired Ramsdell about the status of the Continuing Education (CE) and the Continuous Professional Development (CPD). Ramsdell advised the Board that at this time, unable to move forward with the CE and CPD until the ORR makes their recommendation.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **September NBRC SLLG Meeting**

Haas asked whether anyone was interested in attending the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) State Licensure Liaison Group (SLLG) meeting scheduled September 7-8, 2012. Haas had previously e-mailed Board Members to determine interest.

### **Chairperson's Report**

Haas distributed copies of two (Unofficial Draft) reports that he created using the data in the Department Annual Reports. The 'Summary of Michigan Respiratory Care Board Activity' reviewed regulatory activity, disciplinary actions and licensing activity of our Board since 2005 through 2010. The 'Rate of Disciplinary Actions Taken Against Selected Healthcare Personnel in Michigan' compared Respiratory Care disciplinary actions with 12 other professions and calculated a rate for each professional board as the number of actions per 1000 licensees. Haas discussed that the low amount of Disciplinary Actions by Respiratory Care (average of 0.63 actions/1000) is similar to several other Boards (eg, Physical Therapy (0.51), Occupational Therapy (0.45), Optometry (0.70), Social Work (0.49), but much lower than Pharmacy (4.83), Physicians (2.1), Nurses (1.84) or Physician Assistants (1.39). Haas inquired if the Board is able to receive a quarterly report of Licensing Activity (applications received, total number of licensees, any other data collected that may be helpful to the Board), to be prepared for each Board meeting. Monks asked that Disciplinary Case statistics be included too and asked whether he could receive a summary of the specifics of the Disciplinary Actions taken so far to help inform him as the new chair of the Disciplinary Subcommittee. Ramsdell will provide these reports.

Rinck thanked Haas for providing the handouts.

### **MSRC Position Statement on Licensing**

Haas distributed copies of Michigan Society for Respiratory Care (MSRC) Position Statement on Licensure for the Board members to review.

### **Department Update**

The department reported that there were 5,120 licenses.

Ramsdell distributed an updated version of the "Standards of Conduct," so that Board members may review it and place it in Chapter 1 of their Board Member Handbooks.

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

Haas asked the Public Member in attendance to introduce himself. He was obliged.

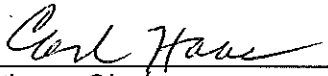
## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

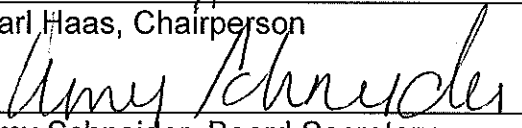
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held November 9, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

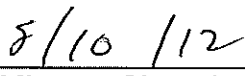
## ***ADJOURNMENT***

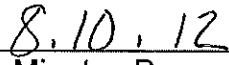
*MOTION* by Monks, seconded by Rinck, to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

  
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Carl Haas, Chairperson

  
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Amy Schneider, Board Secretary

  
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Date Minutes Signed

  
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