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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

### OCTOBER 28, 2011 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 October 28, 2011, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

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

Carl Haas, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

### ***ROLL CALL***

***Members Present:*** Carl Haas, LRT, Chairperson  
John Rinck, LRT, Vice-Chairperson  
James Berry, Jr, LRT  
John Darin, LRT  
John Hyka, LRT  
Randall Kehr, LRT  
Patrick Monks, Public Member  
Julia Prins, LRT  
Frank Sprague, MD

***Members Absent:*** Ilene Abramson, PhD, Public Member

***Staff Present:*** Christine Hanson, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division  
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Health Regulatory Division

***Others Present:*** Nancy Short, Appointments Division, Office of Governor Snyder  
Doug Rooede, Memorial Healthcare  
Cal Hendrick, Memorial Healthcare

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Prins, seconded by Rinck, to approve the August 12, 2011 meeting minutes as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

*MOTION* by Sprague, seconded by Prins, to approve the agenda with the following addition.

INTRODUCTIONS to be added as item 4A.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***INTRODUCTIONS OF NEW MEMBERS***

Chairperson Haas asked the Board members and Department staff to introduce themselves.

## ***OLD BUSINESS***

### **Update on Continuous Professional Development Process**

Lind directed the Board to a hand-out providing an overview of the Administrative rulemaking process.

Lind stated that the Office of Regulatory Reinvention appointed approximately 15 members to the Occupational Licensing Advisory Rules Committee to review all state issued occupational and professional licenses. The Committee will look at unnecessary or unduly restrictive licensure and will submit recommendations to the Governor.

Lind also stated that Ramsdell is on the Committee and will be providing a presentation regarding the concept of the continuing professional development model (CPD). Discussion amongst the Board members and staff was held regarding the status of the Respiratory Care ruleset. Haas will forward the most recent set of the CPD rules to the new Board members and materials from the Rules Subcommittee to Hyka.

## **American Board of Sleep Medicine (ABSM) Certification Examination for Sleep Technologists**

Lind advised that the ABSM is requesting the Board approve the ABSM certification exam for sleep technologists as an acceptable test and an acceptable testing body for the sleep technology profession in accordance with MCL 333.18707 (2)(c). Discussion amongst the Board members and staff was held. The Rules Committee will meet after today's meeting to review the request. Lind will notify ABSM.

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

### **Chairperson's Report**

Haas provided the Board with a verbal Chairperson's report and provided a written overview of same. See Addendum #1 attached hereto.

### **Professional Practice Committee Report**

Kehr inquired into the status of the six FAQ's to be placed on the Bureau of Health Profession's web site. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

Haas reported a recent communication from a licensee regarding respiratory duties performed by non respiratory personnel. Lind advised that the Bureau enforces licensees and the prosecuting attorney enforces those that are not licensed.

Haas stated that he attended the State Licensure Liaison Group Meeting in Olathe, Kansas held September 9 – 10, 2011. He provided the Board with hand-outs from the meeting and highlighted topics of interest. Lind will contact the NBRC to inquire about the State Licensure Liaison Group extranet serviced offered to state boards.

Kehr inquired into the status of the Public Health Code regarding transporting patients from state to state. Discussion was held amongst the Board members.

### **Department Update**

None

## ***REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS***

None

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

Doug Rooede asked the Board for assistance in helping an employee become licensed as a Respiratory Therapist. Lind will speak with him after the meeting.

Sprague thanked all Board members for their service and shared that he valued the opportunity to serve.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held February 10, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

## ***ADJOURNMENT***

*MOTION* by Prins, seconded by Berry, to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

*MOTION PREVAILED*


Carl Haas  
Carl Haas, Chairperson

Feb 10, 2012  
Date Minutes Signed

Christine Hanson  
Christine Hanson, Board Secretary

November 1, 2011  
Date Minutes Prepared

**TO:** Michigan Board for Respiratory Care Members

**FROM:** Carl Haas, MLS, LRT, RRT, FAARC  
MBRC Chair 

**DATE:** October 28, 2011

**RE:** Chair's Year-End Report

The major activities of the Board are taken up in three subcommittees: the Rules Subcommittee, the Professional Practices Subcommittee and the Disciplinary Subcommittee. Highlights of activities this year include:

- *Rules Subcommittee (Chair-Haas):*

The major project of this committee is the development of the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program, a program that hopefully will be used for relicensing. A draft of the Rules was shared at the Feb 11 Board meeting and an updated version at the May 6 meeting. Currently we are waiting for approval for rulemaking to move forward and bring it up for Board approval at a future meeting.

- *Professional Practices Subcommittee (Chair-Kehr):*

Several home care issues are in committee being researched for development of informational frequently asked questions (FAQ's) to be posted on the MBRC website.

- *Disciplinary Subcommittee (Chair-Abramson):*

Fortunately, minimal activity was required this year. There was 1 case resulting in probation and other sanctions at the Feb 11 meeting, 1 case being dismissed at the May 6 meeting and no cases at the Aug 12 meeting. There are 2 cases at today's DSC meeting.

An activity open to the Board is attendance at the State Licensure Liaison Group Meeting sponsored by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) and the American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC). The NBRC pays for 1 person from each state to attend, but encourages more to attend if desired. No one from our MBRC was able to attend this year's event held at the NBRC offices in Olathe, Kansas, although as an NBRC Board member I chair that committee so was in attendance. I've prepared packets containing handouts from the presentations. It is a well-attended and worthwhile event and I encourage members to take advantage of the NBRC offer in the future.

It has been a pleasure to serve as this year's Board chair and I thank you for the opportunity.