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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF MEDICINE JANUARY 25, 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 January 25, 2012, at the Operations Center, 7285 Parsons Drive, Secondary Complex, Conference Rooms A, B and C, Dimondale, Michigan.

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

Rae Ramsdell, Director, Bureau of Health Professions, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

### ***ROLL CALL***

***Members Present:*** Mohammed Arsiwala, M.D.  
Richard Burney, M.D.  
Oliver Cameron, M.D., Ph.D.  
David Dull, M.D.  
Jamie Frain, Public Member  
Theresa Fraley, Public Member  
Peter Graham, M.D.  
Vivian Leung, Public Member  
Cynthia Pasky, Public Member  
Louis Prues, Public Member  
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.  
Gail Torreano, Public Member  
David Weingarden, M.D.

***Members Absent:*** Meghan Riley, PA-C

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**Staff Present:** Christine Hanson, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division  
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Health Regulatory Division  
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Health Regulatory Division  
Desmond Mitchell, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division  
Kiran Parag, Analyst, Health Regulatory Division  
Michele Wagner-Gutkowski, Assistant Attorney General  
Robert Jenkins, Assistant Attorney General  
Susan Affholter, Pain Management & Palliative Care Coordinator, BHP

**Others Present:** Carolyn Harden, Appointment's Division, Office of the Governor  
Sheila Gendick  
Elizabeth Bauer  
Brian Bauer  
Brian Benner  
Nancy Savageou  
Tom Sparks  
Anita Folino  
Lee Colony  
Merry Rosenberg  
Mike DeGrow, Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Cameron, seconded by Pasky, to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2011 meeting with the following correction:

Under **Committee Reports** – Operations Committee. The last sentence on page two shall read as follows: Burney advised the Board that the report had been approved and verified that it was okay to move forward.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

*MOTION* by Graham, seconded by Cameron, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

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

Ramsdell welcomed the new Board members and asked Board members and staff to introduce themselves, which they did.

Ramsdell provided a brief overview on the Federation of State Medical Boards. She stated that FSMB provides funding for one Board member and one Administrator to attend meetings. She informed that a representative from FSMB will be in Michigan in May to give a presentation to the Medical Boards.

## ***BOARD ORIENTATION***

Ramsdell and Burney provided a PowerPoint presentation overview of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA), the Bureau of Health Professions, the role and authority of the Board, and standards of conduct. A question and answer session followed.

## ***ELECTION OF OFFICERS***

Leung reported that the Nominating Committee had met via e-mail. She stated that the initial candidate for Chairperson, Dr. Ahmad, had not been reappointed to the Board, and therefore could not be considered.

*MOTION* by Leung, seconded by Frain, to nominate Dr. Richard Burney as Chairperson.

Leung opened the floor for additional nominations. Hearing none, nominations were closed.

A voice vote was held and Dr. Burney was unanimously elected as Chairperson.

Leung reported that the Nominating Committee received one nomination for Vice-Chairperson; Dr. Peter Graham. She opened the floor for additional nominations, hearing none;

*MOTION* by Cameron, seconded by Weingarden to close nominations.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

*MOTION* by Leung, seconded by Frain, to nominate Dr. Peter Graham as Vice-Chairperson. A voice vote was held and Dr. Graham was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairperson.

Burney thanked the Board for its support. He asked that Board members who were not part of the Disciplinary Subcommittee to participate in the Investigation and Allegations Committee meeting following today's full Board meeting as part of the orientation of new Board members.

## ***REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS***

None

## ***COMMITTEE REPORTS***

### **INVESTIGATIONS AND ALLEGATIONS**

Ramsdell reported that at their last meeting in December, three committee members reviewed 21 files; with 16 being authorized for investigation, 2 closed, and 3 returned to the Department for additional information. She stated there are 43 files to be reviewed today.

### **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

No Report.

### **DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE**

Fraley reported that the Committee met prior to today's meeting and considered 12 consent order and stipulations, 5 dismissals, 5 reconsiderations and 1 proposal for decision. She stated that the DSC will reconvene after the full Board meeting to finish their work.

### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

No Report

## ***OLD BUSINESS***

None

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

### **Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management Update**

Affholter introduced herself to the Board and directed the Board members to handouts pertaining to pain and symptom management. She provided a brief overview of the function of the Advisory Committee. She also stated that the palliative care book is in the process of being revised and invited Board members to submit a testimonial which may be used on the back cover. She informed that the annual conference will be held September 14, 2012 and topic of discussion will be impact change and improve care. A question and answer session followed.

## **Resolutions**

Resolutions thanking retiring Board members for their service were presented for approval. These members were: **Busharat Ahmad, MD, Abd A. Alghanem, MD, Rao Gudipati, MD, Lynn Larson, Frank Raines, III, George Shade, Jr., MD**

*MOTION* by Weingarden, seconded by all, to approve the Resolutions as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **Administrative Rule 338.2304**

Ramsdell informed that passage of the Physician's Assistant Language in PA 210 is in conflict with the Board of Medicine's Administrative Rule 338.2304. Mitchell directed the Board members to a draft of the proposed amendment to the Administrative Rule.

*MOTION* by Fraley, seconded by Dull, to modify the Administrative Rule 338.2304.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

Ramsdell stated there will be a Public Hearing scheduled for the amended Administrative Rule. She also stated that a similar Administrative Rule for the Board of Osteopathic Medicine will need to be revised as well.

## **Committee Assignments**

Burney reported that he will be assigning members to the committees and request Board members to contact him if they are interested in serving on a particular committee. He further stated he will choose committee chairs and will put together a proposed meeting schedule in the next few days.

## **FSMB Meeting, April 26-28, 2012, Forth Worth, Texas**

Burney advised that, as Chairperson, he would try to attend the FSMB meeting.

## **Department Update**

### **NOMINEE TO THE HEALTH PROFESSIONAL RECOVERY COMMITTEE – Carl Christensen, M.D.**

*MOTION* by Weingarden, seconded by Graham, to approve HPRC nomination of Carl Christensen, M.D. for a term expiring on December 31, 2013.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

Ramsdell reported that the Department will be working with the National Practitioner Data Bank staff to identify the 220 doctors who according to an outside report have had their hospital clinical privileges restricted or revoked but apparently not had action taken by the medical boards.. She will follow-up with the Board.

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

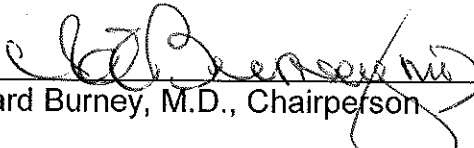
Mike DeGrow, representing the Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants (MAPA), introduced himself to the Board.

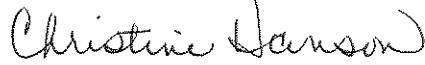
## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***


The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 21, 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 Weingarden, seconded by Cameron, to adjourn the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

  
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Richard Burney, M.D., Chairperson

  
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Christine Hanson, Board Secretary

  
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Date Minutes Approved

  
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Date Minutes Prepared