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MICHIGAN BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2015

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Audiology met in regular session on June 26, 2015, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Thomas O'Connor, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Thomas O'Connor, Chairperson
Paul Kileny, Ph.D, Au.D, Vice Chairperson
Sharon Blackburn, Au.D
Nicole Ferguson, Au.D
Diantha Hicks, Public Member
Paul Hoff, M.D.
Melissa Somers, M.D.

Members Absent:

Melissa Lewis, Public Member
Teresa Zwolan, Ph.D

Staff Present:

Shellayne Grimes, Secretary, Policy, Rules and Board Support
Elaine Barr, Policy Analyst, Policy, Rules and Board Support

Others Present:

None

INTRODUCTIONS

O'Connor introduced new Board member, Melissa Somers, and asked all Board members and staff to introduce themselves.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Hicks, seconded by Kileny, to approve the September 19, 2014 minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Ferguson, seconded by Blackburn, to approve the agenda, as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Master Resolution

Barr noted that the last Master Resolution was approved by this Board in 2008 and has recently expired.

MOTION by Hicks, seconded by Blackburn, to approve the updated Board of Audiology Master Resolution.

MOTION PREVAILED

Human Trafficking Rule

Barr distributed a draft rule pertaining to the requirement for licensees and prospective licensees to complete training in recognizing the signs of human trafficking. She explained that the addition of the rule is required by statute. All boards (except the Board of Veterinary Medicine) will add the Human Trafficking rule into their current rule sets. Further, Barr informed that there are training courses available online at no cost, including the Polaris Project offered by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services. Notices will be sent to licensees by the Department at the time of renewal, reminding licensees to familiarize themselves with the laws and rules that govern their profession.

Department Update

Barr informed the Board that a representative is needed, by law, to represent the profession of Audiology for the Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) for a 2-year appointment. The candidate cannot be a board member. Any interested parties should notify Michael Siracuse, Policy Analyst for the Department, at SiracuseM@michigan.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 25, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ferguson, seconded by Hicks, to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

_____ Approved 12/1815 _____ Date minutes approved

Shellayne Grimes, Board Secretary

Date minutes prepared