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MICHIGAN TASK FORCE ON PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANTS

OCTOBER 27, 2015
MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Task Force on Physician's Assistants met in regular session on October 27, 2015 at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

William Palazzolo, PA-C, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: William Palazzolo, PA-C, Chairperson
Sara Basso, JD, Public Member, Vice Chairperson
April Adado, PA-C
Joan Eddy, PA-C
Pamela Gnodtke, Public Member
Lisa Hadden, Public Member (arrived at 9:15 a.m.)
Susan Laham, PA-C
CaShawnda Range, PA-C (arrived at 9:29 a.m.)
James Rogers, M.D.

Members Absent: Vicki Anton-Athens, DPM
Dennis Dobritt, D.O.
Joel Kutz, PA-C
John Lopes, Jr., PA-C

Staff Present: Shellayne Grimes, Executive Secretary, Legal Affairs Division
Michael Siracuse, Policy Analyst, Boards & Committees Section
Pamela Millben, Analyst, Enforcement Section
Virginia Abdo, Compliance Manager, Enforcement Section

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Rogers, seconded by Laham, to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2015 meeting, as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Basso, seconded by Adado, to approve the agenda, with the following correction:

8. New Business

A. ~~Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management~~ Health Professional Recovery Committee

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Natalie June Schutte, PA – Proposal for Decision

MOTION by Rogers, seconded by Adado, to table the matter for a rewrite.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Adado, Eddy, Gnodtke, Hadden, Laham, Range, Rogers, Basso, Palazzolo

MOTION PREVAILED

Basso requested written policy about the licensure issue in the above Regulatory Consideration.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Health Professional Recovery Committee

Siracuse shared with Board members that he is seeking their assistance in identifying individuals who are eligible and willing to represent the Task Force on Physician's

Assistants on the Health Professionals Recovery Committee. The HPRC is seeking a new representative for the Task Force on Physician's Assistants.

Board members may contact Siracuse at SiracuseM@michigan.gov with any potential candidates.

A request was made by the Task Force for additional discussion at the next meeting on the oversight of the HPRC. Siracuse agreed to discuss at subsequent meeting.

B. Department Update

Siracuse announced that former Policy Analyst, Karen Carpenter, is back with the Boards and Committees Section of the Department and has been reassigned to this Task Force.

A public hearing for the human trafficking training requirements has been scheduled for November 12, 2015. Details can be located on the Office of Regulatory Reinvention (ORR) website. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Basso inquired if the Department is any closer to providing costs associated with investigations. Abdo indicated that she will look into this matter.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael DeGrow from the Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants is searching for a Health Professional Recovery Committee candidate for the Task Force on Physician's Assistants.

Anita Folino, attorney, addressed the Board with further comments regarding the regulatory consideration case that was before the Task Force members today. She was asked repeatedly by several Department staff to refrain from further comments. Security was asked to intervene.

Natalie Schutte, licensee, commented that the Department should do a better job of educating and working together with the Task Force members on policy and procedure changes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 26, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Basso, seconded by Gnodtke, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes approved by the Board on _____April 26, 2016_____.

Prepared by:
Shellayne Grimes, Executive Secretary

November 9, 2015