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MICHIGAN BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY MAY 8, 2012 MEETING APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Speech-Language Pathology met in regular session on May 8, 2012, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Tim Weise, CCC-SLP, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Tim Weise, CCC-SLP, Chairperson
Brit Austin, CCC-SLP
Thomas Koepke, PhD
Lizbeth Stevens, CCC-SLP
Vasu Divi, MD
Erica Dwyer, CCC-SLP
Bradford Swartz, PhD., CCC-SLP
Nicola Hawatmeh, Public Member (arrived at 9:50 a.m.)

Members Absent: Mary Lynch, Public Member
Jeanette Meyer, MD

Staff Present: Amy Schneider, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Bureau of Health Professions
Desmond Mitchell, Policy Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Kelly Hugh, Policy Analyst, Health Regulatory Division

Public Present: Nancy Shore, Governor Snyder
Ashley Brown, Governor Snyder
Georgianna Batalucco, HCR Manor Care

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Weise welcomed the Board members and asked staff and Board members to introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Stevens, seconded by Koepke, to approve the minutes of September 22, 2011 as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Stevens, seconded by Austin, to approve the Agenda.

MOTION PREVAILED

NEW BUSINESS

Elections of Officers

Ramsdell opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson. Austin and Hawatmeh nominated Weise for chairperson. Hearing no additional nominations, a voice vote was held.

Weise was unanimously re-elected chairperson.

Ramsdell opened the floor for nominations for vice chairperson. Weise and Swartz nominated Stevens for vice chairperson. Hearing no additional nominations, a voice vote was held.

Stevens was unanimously elected vice chairperson.

Resolutions

MOTION by Austin, seconded by Koepke, to honor the following departing Board Members with Resolutions: Frances Eldis, Ellen Fairbrother, Donna Riccio-Omichinski, and Katie Strong.

MOTION PREVAILED

See Addendum #1 attached.

Licensing Statistics

Weise directed the Board to the handout pertaining to Licensing Statistics with the total amount of 151 licensees as of May 5, 2012.

Weise updated Board members about the history of the Administrative Rules.

Vasu Divi, MD Letter of Resignation

Weise announced the resignation of Divi. The Board recognized Divi for his outstanding service to the Board.

Office of Regulatory Reinvention-Occupational Administrative Rules Committee Report to Governor

Ramsdell discussed the (ORR) Occupational Licensing Advisory Rules Committee report regarding the recommendation to deregulate licensees for 18 Occupations and 9 Boards. The (ORR) Report recommended Speech Pathologists should be deregulated. These are only recommendations at this time, pending introduction of legislation that would need to be passed through the Legislature and signed by the Governor in order for such legislation to become enacted.

Department Update

Ramsdell discussed the statutory requirement for Continuous Professional Development (CPD). Development of CPD rules is pending, until final decisions can be made regarding licensure.

Weise instructed Board members to use the BHP Board Support e-mail for their questions. The public and licensees should use bhpinfo@michigan.gov for their questions.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Georgiana Batalucco inquired if an employer can verify a student license online. Mitchell stated the student will get an email verifying their license.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on August 14, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Hawatmeh, seconded by Koepke, to adjourn the meeting at 11:07 p.m.



Timothy Weise, CCC-SLP, Chairperson



Christine Hanson, Board Secretary

8-14-2012

Date Minutes Approved

5.8.12

Date Minutes Prepared