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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE MEETING OF JULY 18, 2014

### APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Acupuncture met in regular session on July 18, 2014, at 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Norene Lind, Board Manager, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Beth Converse, Rac  
Brenda Donaldson, MD  
Rosanne Emanuele, MAC  
Annie Haas, MSTOM  
Renee Hubbs, Rac  
David Krofcheck, OMD  
Julie Silver, MSW Dipl. Ac.  
William Sullivan, Public Member  
Xiaohong Tan, OMD  
Jonell Underwood, Public Member  
Sarah Wernert, Public Member

**Members Absent:** Susan Fabrick, MD

**Staff Present:** Amy Schneider, Secretary, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section  
Norene Lind, Board Manager, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section  
Karen Carpenter, Policy Analyst, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section  
Susan Affholter, Pain Management and Palliative Care Coordinator

**Others Present:** Bernie Youngblood, Priorclave North America

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

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*MOTION* by Krofcheck, seconded by Converse, to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2014 meeting as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*MOTION* by Donaldson, seconded by Sullivan, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ELECTIONS**

Lind ran the election for Chair.

*MOTION* by Sullivan, seconded by Converse, to elect Krofcheck as Chairperson.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

Krofcheck ran the election for Vice Chair.

*MOTION* by Hubbs, seconded by Wernert, to elect Silver as Vice-Chairperson.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Committee Assignments**

The following assignments were made to the Disciplinary Subcommittee: Sarah Wernert, Chair, Beth Converse, Brenda Donaldson, Renee Hubbs, and Jonell Underwood. Alternate: William Sullivan and Xiaohong Tan.

Emanuele and Converse will assist the Chair with the allegation review.

## **Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management (ACPSM) Presentation**

Affholter shared a Michigan Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management (ACPSM) 2013 CE/CME Recommendation via PowerPoint presentation with the Board and distributed a paper copy of both the CE/CME recommendation as well as the regulatory requirements per MCL 333.16204 and MCL 333.16204a. This 2013 recommendation updates the ACPSM's 2002 recommendation. She pointed out that the Michigan Board of Acupuncture "shall take into consideration the recommendation for that health care profession by the . . . advisory committee created in section 16204a."

Affholter also made available the new MAPS poster, the ACPSM's pain tool kit for health professionals, and other pain related information.

## **Department Update**

Lind announced that Senate Bills 575-578 were signed into law (Public Acts 95-98), and she gave a brief introduction of the new laws and their impact on the Board. These laws went into effect July 1, 2014. One of the bills amends the allegation review procedures and requires two Board members to review all allegations in addition to the Chairperson.

Lind updated Board members about SB 597, a bill that would require all health professional licensees to complete training in recognizing the signs of Human Trafficking. This requirement would apply to both original and renewal licenses.

Lind shared the statute that provides title protection to Acupuncturists. Clearly, the statute does not permit someone to call themselves an acupuncturist (or similar name) unless they are registered. Further, although a request has been made for the Attorney General's office to provide updated guidance regarding dry needling, this guidance has not yet been received.

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

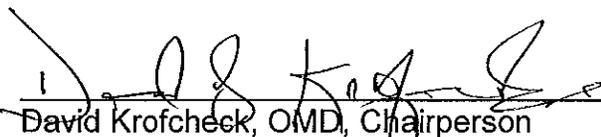
Bernie Youngblood, Priorclave North America, asked the board to consider what would happen if an Acupuncturist practiced without doctor's supervision; what penalties there are for an Acupuncturist who practices without a license; and if an Acupuncturist is required to have doctor supervision, where can the public go to seek out the qualified doctors that supervise Acupuncturists?

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

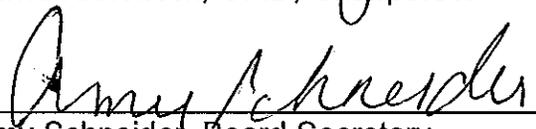
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held October 17, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION* by Sullivan, seconded by Wernert, to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

  
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David Krofcheck, OMD, Chairperson

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Date Minutes Approved

  
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Amy Schneider, Board Secretary

7-18-14  
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Date Minutes Prepared