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MICHIGAN BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE & SURGERY JUNE 2, 2009 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery met in regular session on June 2, 2009 at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Douglas P. Vanator, D.O., Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Members Present: Douglas Vanator, D.O., Chairperson
Steven Acker, D.O., Vice Chairperson
Kathleen Carney, Public Member
William Cunningham, D.O.
Dennis Dobritt, D.O.
Gale Easton, P.A.
Barry Kane, Public Member
Charles Kelly, D.O.
Paulette Lindberg, Public Member
Sylvia Mustonen, D.O. (arrived at 9:13 a.m.)

Members Absent: Vincent Granowicz, D.O.

Staff Present: Rae Ramsdell, Director, Health Licensing Division
Amy Shell, Policy Administration Manager, Licensing Division
Michele Wagner-Gutkowski, Assistant Attorney General
Laurie VanBeelen, Board Secretary, Licensing Division

Others Present: Tom Sparks, Attorney (arrived at 9:27 a.m.)
Alan Rogalski, Attorney for Gregory Derderian, D.O. (arrived at 9:52 a.m.)
Gregory Derderian, D.O. (arrived at 9:52 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Acker, seconded by Lindberg, to approve the April 2, 2009 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Easton, seconded by Kane, to approve the agenda with the following correction:

Under 7. New Business, the matter of A. DSC Master Resolution shall be deleted.

MOTION PREVAILED

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Vanator reported that he attended the Federation of State Medical Board's (FSMB) Annual meeting in May. Portability of licenses was a highlighted issue. He indicated that this issue tends to affect those physicians who have offices near state borders and those wishing to assist other states during disaster periods.

Board discussion was also held regarding pain management issues and the rise in the number of physicians prescribing narcotics and Opioids. Dobritt raised the issue that physicians may face when an individual is using medicinal marihuana, but fails to inform his or her physician. He stated that this will especially affect pain specialists. There was an open dialogue held amongst the Board members regarding this issue. Additionally, it was suggested that physicians include language in contracts with patients that specifically asks if the patient is using medicinal marihuana. Ramsdell will provide the Board with information from other states who have passed laws allowing the use of medicinal marihuana.

NEW BUSINESS

Osteopathic Post-Graduate Educational Training Requirement

Ramsdell directed the Board to the memorandum provided prior to the meeting. Possible changes were discussed. Ramsdell advised that on the licensing application, a one year internship or a clinical residency will be accepted.

FSMB Meeting Update

This topic was discussed during the Chairperson's report.

Department Update

Ramsdell directed the Board to the Legislative update provided at today's meeting. Easton indicated that at a recent physicians assistants' association meeting, it was discussed and agreed upon that the association does not endorse a Ph.D. in clinical medicine for PA's and PA's should not be referred to as a doctor in a clinical setting. Vanator commented that this issue was also discussed at the FSMB meeting, however no clear decision was arrived at.

Ramsdell also indicated that the electronic prescription bill is showing movement. She stated that it is her understanding that schedule 2 drugs will still require a handwritten prescription. Ramsdell stated that Medicaid is also moving toward e-prescribing. Discussion was held amongst the Board regarding problems that could arise when patients are using multiple pharmacies.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Easton provided the Board with a verbal update regarding the regulatory matter of John Herbert Evans, D.O. Easton meets with Evans quarterly in order to fulfill Evans' probation requirement. Written reports were provided to Laurie VanBeelen, the Board's secretary, and a copy will be provided to each Board member.

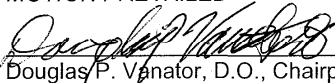
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, August 6, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

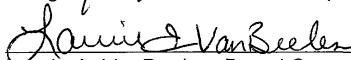
ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Carney, seconded by Lindberg, to adjourn at 10:02 a.m.

MOTION PREVAILED



Douglas P. Vanator, D.O., Chairperson



Laurie A. VanBeelen, Board Secretary

8-6-09

Date Minutes Approved

June 10, 2009

Date Minutes Prepared