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MICHIGAN BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2, 2007

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Respiratory Care met in regular session on November 2, 2007, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 2, Upper Level Parking, Lansing, MI.

CALL TO ORDER

Randall Kehr, L.R.T., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Frank R. Sprague, M.D.
James R. Berry, L.R.T., Vice Chairperson
Randall M. Kehr, L.R.T., Chairperson

Members Absent: Mary Ellen Baker, L.R.T.
Malita L. Barrett, Public Member

Staff Present: Bonnie Curtis, Board Secretary
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division
Melanie Brim, Director, Bureau of Health Professions
(left 11:38 a.m.)
Liz Arasim, Policy Analyst (left 11:30 a.m.)

Others Present: Carl Haas, MSRC

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Sprague, seconded by Berry, to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2007 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Sprague, seconded by Berry, to approve the agenda with the following additions:

Under **NEW BUSINESS**, add **D. MSRC Correspondence; E. Regulatory Cases and F. Board Vacancies**

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL – MELANIE BRIM

Brim provided members with a brief background and history regarding the continuous professional development (CPD) model. During the negotiations for enactment of legislation that would have provided for licensure of respiratory therapists, there was concern expressed that traditional continuing education (CE) did not assure ongoing competency. To move the respiratory therapy bill forward, it was agreed that a model for CPD would be developed by the Bureau and sent to the Governor for review and approval. Once approved, the CPD model could be used not only for the Board of Respiratory Care but also for the boards which had been seeking CE for a number of years, including the Boards of Psychology, Veterinary Medicine, Physical Therapy and Counseling.

Brim advised the Governor recently approved the portfolio model which has components that include the following: traditional CE; ongoing competency assessment; and continuing professional development. She stated that the CPD framework is a mechanism developed to ensure that knowledge, skills and abilities remain current and are continuously improved or acquired. There are three (3) categories of activities in the model: continuing education, hands-on learning and competency assessments. She advised that licensees would be encouraged to participate in activities that fall within a minimum of two (2) of the three (3) components. She provided examples of the various activities and elements that would satisfy CPD requirements.

Brim advised that the Bureau will create standardized forms for all professions and will draft a core set of rules that apply to all professions. However each board will set its own minimum number of hours and types of activities.

Brim discussed the anticipated process for auditing compliance also.

Brim then took questions from the members.

Motion by Berry, seconded by Sprague, to support the CPD model and move forward with development of rules.

MOTION PREVAILED

**HEALTH PROFESSIONAL RECOVERY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE –
STEVEN K. HAMICK, RT, BIS, AE-C**

Motion by Sprague, seconded by Berry, to appoint Steven K. Hamick, RT, BIS, AE-C as the Respiratory Care representative to the Health Professional Recovery Committee.

MOTION PREVAILED

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Ramsdell announced that Curtis will be the new board secretary and that Diane Lewis will be retiring in December.

MSRC CORRESPONDENCE

Kehr stated that he received correspondence from Emily Zyra of the MSRC addressing concerns regarding NBRC credentialing requirements for renewal of licensing. The Board will consider this issue when they revise the administrative rules for CPD.

REGULATORY CASES

Kehr stated that regulatory cases are being received by the Bureau and stressed the need for additional board members so as to form a disciplinary subcommittee.

Brim explained the allegation and disciplinary process. She stated that if a licensee has a felony conviction, the statute requires a mandatory summary suspension. There are other types of cases where the public is at risk that also requires the board chairperson to approve summary suspensions.

BOARD VACANCIES

Kehr reported that he has contacted the Governor's appointment office regarding the board vacancies and that he stressed the importance for more public members.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

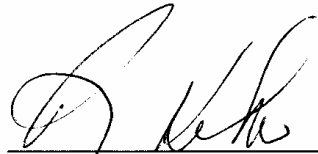
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next scheduled meeting date will be held on February 22, 2008, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 1, Upper Level Parking, Lansing, MI.

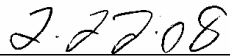
ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Sprague, seconded by Berry, to adjourn the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

MOTION PREVAILED



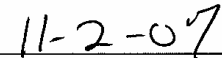
Randall M. Kehr, L.R.T., Chairperson



Date Minutes Approved



Bonnie Curtis, Board Secretary



Date Minutes Prepared