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DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS  
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**MICHIGAN BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY  
OCTOBER 13, 2015 MEETING**

***APPROVED MINUTES***

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Physical Therapy met on October 13, 2015, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Brian Gilbert, PT, Vice-Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

***Members Present:*** Brian Gilbert, PT, Vice-Chairperson  
Mark Epolito, Public Member  
Sarah McAllister, PT  
Ajay Middha, PT, DPT  
Linda Minter, Public Member  
John Poronto, Public Member  
Renee Przystas, PT  
Barbara Simmons, PTA  
Adam Swain, PT, AT

***Members Absent:*** Jeff Munford, Public Member

***Staff Present:*** Amy Schneider, Secretary, Board and Committees Section  
Karen Carpenter, Policy Analyst, Board and Committees Section  
Elaine Barr, Policy Analyst, Board and Committees Section

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

***MOTION*** by Minter, seconded by Simmons, to approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION PREVAILED**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*MOTION* by Simmons, seconded by Przystas, to approve the July 14, 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **BCBS "The Record"**

Gilbert shared concerns with the Blue Cross Blue Shields procedure codes notice published in the August 2015 "The Record" titled *Additional Procedure Codes Payable to Chiropractors for Physical Therapy Services*. He expressed concerns of implications that this poses to the public by confusing what is physical therapy versus any other provider doing rehabilitative services.

Barr informed Public Health Code 333.16411(4) defines the scope of chiropractic practice.

### **Rules**

Barr confirmed that new rules filed on September 15, 2015.

Barr informed that the proposed Administrative Rules will be opened to address statutory requirement for training to include training on recognizing signs of Human Trafficking.

### **Elections**

Barr ran the election for Chairperson.

*MOTION* by Minter, seconded by Simmons, to elect Gilbert for Chairperson.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Gilbert ran the election for Vice-Chairperson.

*MOTION* by Swain, seconded by McAllister, to elect Middha for Vice-Chairperson.

A voice vote was held.

**MOTION PREVAILED**

**Committee Assignments**

The following assignments were made to the Disciplinary Subcommittee: Linda Minter, Chair, Mark Epolito, Ajay Middha, Barbara Simmons, and Adam Swain. Alternates: Jeff Munford and Renee Przystas.

The following assignments were made to the Rules committee: Brian Gilbert, Sarah McAllister, Ajay Middha, and Adam Swain.

The following assignments were made to the Education committee: Barbara Simmons and Ajay Middha.

Further research will be done regarding need for an Education committee.

**Department Update**

Barr introduced Karen Carpenter as the new Policy Analyst who will be working with the Board on its rules.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Sue Tally, PT, DPT, Michigan Physical Therapy Association (MPTA), indicated she is working with Blue Cross Blue Shield to address concerns of public.

Jake Jakubiak Kovacek, discussed review of the CE requirements.

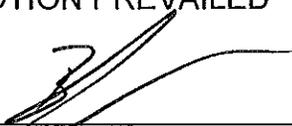
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 12, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION* by Middha, seconded by Simmons, to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

**MOTION PREVAILED**

  
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Brian Gilbert, PT, Chairperson

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Date Minutes Signed

Prepared by:  
Amy Schneider, Board Secretary

October 13, 2015