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MICHIGAN BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY MAY 5, 2015 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 5, 2015, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Bardford Swartz, Ph.D, CCC-SLP, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Bradford Swartz, Ph.D, CCC-SLP, Chairperson
Brit Austin, MA, CCC-SLP
Melissa Pynnonen, M.D., MS
Christopher Mills, Public Member
Jodi Cohen, CCC-SLP
Jeffrey Weingarten, M.D.

Members Absent: Erica Dwyer, MA, MATC, CCC-SLP, Vice-Chairperson
Lynee Wells, Public Member
Janelle (Edmunds) Best, Public Member
Patrisha Mervenne, MS, CCC-SLP

Staff Present: Shellayne Grimes, Secretary Policy, Rules and Board Support Section
Norene Lind, Board Manager, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section
Michael Siracuse, Policy Analyst, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section
Susan Bushong, HPRP Contract Administrator/Outreach Coordinator

Public Present: Georgianna Batakello, HCR/ MISHA

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Swartz asked all board members and staff to introduce themselves. He was obliged.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Austin, seconded by Weingarten, to approve the Minutes of November 5, 2014, as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Pynnonen, seconded by Austin, to approve the Agenda, as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Election for Chairperson

Lind ran the election for Chairperson.

MOTION by Austin, seconded by Pynnonen, to re-elect Bradford Swartz, Ph.D, CCC-SLP as Chairperson.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Election for Vice-Chairperson

Swartz ran the election for Vice-Chairperson.

MOTION by Weingarten, seconded by Mills, to re-elect Erica Dwyer, MA, MATC, CCC-SLP as Vice Chairperson.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED.

B. Committee Assignments

Swartz appointed Primary members of the DSC as follows:

Wells, Public Chair

Best, Public

Austin, Professional

Pynnonen, Professional

Cohen, Professional

Alternate members were appointed as follows:

Mills, Public

Mervenne, Professional

Allegation Review Subcommittee was appointed as follows:

Swartz, Chair

Dwyer, Professional

Weingarten, Public

Swartz stated that he will wait until the next meeting to appointment another member to the Rules Committee.

Health Professional Recovery Program Update

Bushong informed that a representative is needed for the Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) to represent the Board of Speech-Language Pathology. Any interested and eligible individual may send their letter of interest and curriculum vitae to Michael Siracuse at SiracuseM@michigan.gov. Board members cannot serve on the HPRC.

Bushong also provided an overview of the Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) Annual Report dated September 30, 2014. A copy of the Annual Report will be emailed to all board members following today's meeting.

Department Update

Siracuse informed that the Board's Administrative Rules are currently at the Legislative Service Bureau. The Human Trafficking Rule was recently added to the rule set.

Weingarten requested that the Board Chairperson be notified immediately if the department amends board-approved versions of the draft rules. Siracuse agreed to notify the Board Chairperson as a courtesy.

Swartz asked whether there was any further movement toward deregulation of the profession, noting the 2014 Office of Regulatory Reinvention Report that recommended deregulation of speech-language pathologists. Lind noted that no bills had been introduced so far this session, and she explained how Board members could track bills on the www.legislature.mi.gov website if they wanted to be kept apprised between meetings.

A copy of the current Administrative Rules will be emailed to all board members following today's meeting.

Lind announced that the Bureau will be reorganized during 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENT

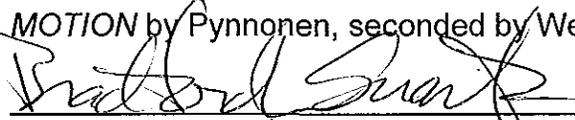
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

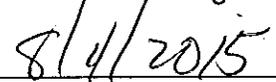
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on August 4, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Pynnonen, seconded by Weingarten, to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 a.m.



Bradford Swartz, Ph.D, CCC-SLP, Chairperson



Date Minutes Approved



Shellayne Grimes, Board Secretary



Date Minutes Prepared