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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY JANUARY 20, 2009 MEETING

### APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Physical Therapy met in regular session on January 20, 2009, at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 5, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

David Perry, L.P.T., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Vijay Kumar, P.T.  
Jill A. Marlan, P.T.  
Andrew G. May, P.T.  
Sandra Austin, Public Member  
Elizabeth Mostrom, P.T., Vice Chairperson  
David Perry, P.T., Chairperson

**Members Absent:**

Linda Thomas-Pilarczyk, Public Member  
Mecha Crockett, Public Member  
Ginger Smetana, Public Member

**Staff Present:**

Bonnie Curtis, Secretary  
Amy Shell, Manager, Licensing Division  
Todd Cohan, Assistant Attorney General  
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion** by Mostrom, seconded by Marlan, to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2008 meeting as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Marlan, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **RULES COMMITTEE**

Mostrom reported that the Public Hearing on the proposed rules changes was held December 8, 2008. She then reviewed some of the public comments.

### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

No report.

### **CHAIRPERSON REPORT**

Perry reported that he has reviewed several complaints and returned them to the Bureau for appropriate action.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Motion** by Mostrom, seconded by Austin, to re-elect Perry as chairperson.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

Perry was re-elected chairperson.

**Motion** by Marlan, seconded by May, to nominate Kumar as vice-chairperson.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

Kumar was elected vice-chairperson.

### **ESTABLISH GOALS FOR 2009**

Perry stated that he would like for the board to establish goals for 2009.

Mostrom stated that one goal would be to complete the administrative rules, administer the adopted rules and begin working on the next revision.

Mostrom stated that another goal would be to monitor legislative updates that would impact physical therapists.

Discussion followed.

Perry stated that the board goals for 2009 will be **to implement recently revised administrative rules (Spring 2009), initiate work on new revision of Administrative Rules to address impending PTA licensure legislation and continuing professional development guidelines (Spring/Summer 2009), monitor legislative activities that could impact Physical Therapy practice, increase Board educational outreach to physical therapists, PTA's and physical therapist students in Michigan and formalizing school contacts.**

#### **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

Ramsdell reported that the Bureau is still working on the rules for the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and that it is just a matter of compiling them.

#### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – PTA LICENSURE**

Perry stated that SB1167 regarding licensure of physical therapy assistants passed the Senate in the 2007-2008 legislative session but it did not go any further. Therefore, the bill died at the end of the session. A bill regarding licensure of physical therapy assistants is expected to be introduced in the new legislative session.

#### **FSBPT UPDATE**

Perry reported that the Federation has made changes in their budget so that there is only funding for one delegate and one administrator from each jurisdiction to attend the annual meeting.

#### **FSBPT DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE**

This will be tabled until the April meeting.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF DSC MEMBERS**

Perry appointed Austin as chair, Kumar, Mostrom, Marlan and Thomas-Pilarczyk as the DSC members. He also appointed the Rules Committee; Mostrom will serve as chair with Austin and Perry completing the committee.

#### **DISCUSSION ON DRY NEEDLING**

Perry reported that he has received requests from physical therapists interested in using this technique and inquired if it is within their scope of practice.

Kumar has researched dry needling and stated that it is widely used in Europe but few States allow it.

Perry explained the process and stated further research will be done and there will be further discussion at the April meeting.

#### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

No report.

#### **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

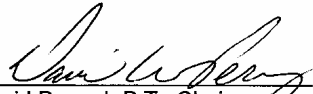
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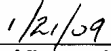
#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held April 21, 2009 at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa, Conference Room 2, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** by Mostrom, seconded by May, to adjourn the meeting at 3:04 p.m.

  
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David Perry, L.P.T., Chairperson

  
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Date Minutes Approved

  
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Bonnie Curtis, Secretary

  
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Date Minutes Prepared