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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF NURSING

November 2, 2017 MEETING

### APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Nursing met on November 2, 2017, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 3, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Meringa, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:** Joshua Meringa, MPA, MHA, MBA, BSN, RN- BC, Chairperson  
Ronald Basso, Public Member, Vice Chairperson  
Kristin Ahrens, DNP, RN, CPNP  
Reginald Armstrong, Public Member  
Kathy Bouchard-Wyant, RN, BA  
Tatyana Chatman, LPN (arrived 9:16 a.m.)  
Jill DeVries, LPN  
Lars Egede-Nissen, Public Member  
Lori Glenn, DNP, CNM, RN  
Paula Hopper, RN, MSN  
Elizabeth Horton, RN, MBA  
Jackeline Iseler, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC (arrived 9:09 a.m.)  
Tiffany McDonald, RN  
Glenn O'Connor, CRNA, MS (departed 11:47 a.m.)  
Lawrence Olson, PhD, Public Member  
Victoria Sachs, Public Member  
Mary VanderKolk, RN, MSN  
Deborah Vendittelli, DNP, RN, ANP-BC

**Members Absent:** Cynthia Fenske, RN, DNP, CNE  
Patricia Harney, Public Member  
Alana Thomas, LPN  
Kristoffer Tobbe, Public Member

**Staff Present:** Andria Ditschman, Policy Analyst, Boards and Committees Section  
Wendy Helmic, Analyst, Compliance Section  
LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section

Kerry Przybylo, Manager, Boards and Committees Section  
Bridget Smith, Assistant Attorney General

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Armstrong, seconded by Olson, to approve the agenda, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by VanderKolk, seconded by DeVries, to approve the September 7, 2017 meeting minutes, with the following addition of attachments:

*Page 6 Committee Assignments:*

*Rules Committee – Vendittelli*

*Allegation Committee – Hopper, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, O'Connor, Basso, Fenske, Meringa (Chair)*

*Add MDHHS – Office of Nursing Policy Report*

*Add Education Committee Minutes*

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **Prescription Drug and Opioid Abuse Commission Presentation – Gretchen Schumacher and Lisa Gigliotti**

Schumacher and Gigliotti introduced themselves to the Board and gave an overview of the PDOAC, its purpose, and activities to date. They provided the Board statistics of the opioid epidemic in Michigan and answered questions.

## **Board Member Training – Bridget Smith, AAG**

Smith provided a Power Point of legal advice for discussion with Board members regarding Michigan health professional licensing board member authority, roles, responsibilities, and related legal considerations.

Smith summarized issues related to standards of conduct, including governmental immunity, avoiding conflicts of interest, and participation in professional organizations and meetings. She outlined the allegation, investigation, compliance conference, and enforcement processes, highlighting the Board's statutory authority and role in each step.

Smith explained several provisions of the Open Meetings Act and considerations regarding conducting board meetings.

### **Recess**

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by Ahrens, to take a brief recess at 10:50 a.m.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Armstrong, seconded by Vendittelli, to reconvene at 11:00 a.m.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

### **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Lisa Jean Babcock, RN – Petition for Reinstatement**

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by Vendittelli, to grant reinstatement. Prior to reinstatement, within one year of the effective date of the order, Respondent must successfully complete certification skills of competency and complete 25 hours of Board approved continuing education. The 25 hours of continuing education must consist of 2 hours in pain and symptom management and a minimum of 3 hours in each of the following areas: safe documentation for nurses, critical thinking, pharmacology, preventing medication errors, professional accountability and legal liability for nurses, and delegation. Upon automatic reinstatement, Respondent will be placed on probation for two years, not to exceed four years, with quarterly employer reports, and compliance with HPRP.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

#### **Jammie Marie Bowling, RN – Petition for Reinstatement**

MOTION by Bouchard-Wyant, seconded by Vendittelli, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant reinstatement. Prior to reinstatement, within one year of the effective

date of the order, Respondent must successfully complete certification of skills competency and complete 25 hours of Board approved continuing education, including at least two hours in pain and symptom management, and a minimum of three hours in each of the following areas: safe documentation for nurses, critical thinking, pharmacology, preventing medication errors, professional accountability and legal liability for nurses, and delegation. Upon automatic reinstatement, Respondent will be placed on probation for two years, not to exceed four years, with quarterly employer reports.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Pamela Yvette Hamilton-Wright, RN – Petition for Reinstatement**

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by DeVries, to discuss.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Bouchard-Wyant, seconded by McDonald, to grant reinstatement and place Respondent on probation for two years, not to exceed four years, with quarterly employer reports, quarterly reports from Respondent's therapist regarding compliance with a program as well as notification of non-compliance. Respondent must submit proof of completion from the substance abuse program she is currently participating in and a minimum of three hours of continuing education in understanding substance abuse disorder.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Barbara Ann Taylor, RN – Petition for Reinstatement**

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by DeVries, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant reinstatement. Prior to reinstatement, within one year of the effective date of the order, Respondent must successfully complete the NCLEX and certification of skills competency. Upon automatic reinstatement, Respondent will be placed on probation for two years, not to exceed four years, with quarterly employer reports.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

### **Dana Marie Theut, RN – Petition for Reinstatement**

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by Vendittelli, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant reinstatement. Prior to reinstatement, within one year of the effective date of the order, Respondent must successfully complete certification of skills competency and complete 25 hours of Board approved continuing education, including at least two hours in pain and symptom management and a minimum of three hours in each of the following areas: safe documentation for nurses, critical thinking, pharmacology, preventing medication errors, professional accountability and legal liability, and delegation. Upon automatic reinstatement, Respondent will be placed on probation for two years, not to exceed four years, with quarterly employer reports and HPRP compliance.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Disciplinary Subcommittee (DSC)**

Egede-Nissen reported that the DSC has met 2 times since the last meeting. The DSC reviewed 60 regulatory considerations, 32 were Consent Orders and Stipulations. There was one rejection with a counter offer that added a HPRP mental health evaluation.

### **Rules Committee**

No Report – update under Rules discussion

## **Education Committee**

Vendittelli directed the Board to the Nurse Education Committee LPN Report and provided a verbal highlight. (See attached addendum #1).

MOTION by Vendittelli, seconded by VanderKolk, to accept the LPN Report with the correction of removing Victoria Sachs as a member. (See attached addendum #2).

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, Meringa  
Nays- None

### **MOTION PREVAILED**

Vendittelli directed the Board to the Nurse Education Committee RN Report and provided a verbal highlight. (See attached addendum #3).

MOTION by Vendittelli, seconded by VanderKolk, to accept the RN Report with the correction of removing Victoria Sachs as a member.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, Meringa  
Nays- None

### **MOTION PREVAILED**

## **Department of Health and Human Services – Office of Nursing Policy Report**

Deborah Bach-Stante presented the “MDHHS - Office of Nursing Policy (ONP) Report,” dated November 2, 2017. (See attached Addendum #3).

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Nurse Scholarship Update**

Przybylo gave an overview of the Nurse Scholarship Program:

- Budgeted amount for scholarship: \$600,000.
- 59 schools with nursing programs were eligible to receive scholarship funds.
- 56 schools submitted the Notice of Intent to Participate in 2017.
- 54 schools received \$10,714 to distribute to scholarship recipients.
- 2 schools did not submit student applications.
- Total amount disbursed was \$578,556.
- Total unspent was \$21,444
- Number of scholarship recipients 415

Przybylo shared a thank you note from a scholarship recipient with the Board.

### **Rules Discussion**

Ditschman informed the Board that a public hearing was held on September 29, 2017. She provided the Board with a summary of comments and the proposed changes the rules committee recommended.

MOTION by Iseler, seconded by Ahrens, to discuss.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by VanderKolk to approve the draft rules with the changes recommended by the rules committee and to replace the words “baccalaureate degree” with “graduate degree” in R 338.10305b(3).

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Ahrens, Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, Chatman, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Glenn, Hopper, Horton, Iseler, McDonald, O’Connor, Olson, Sachs, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Basso, and Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

### **Chairperson’s Report**

Meringa directed the Board to the Chairperson’s Report as follows:

September 2017:

- Allegation review 28 cases (14 authorized for investigation)
- Summary suspensions 3

- CE Review/approvals 0
- Case reviews/Conferee 0
- Compliance conferences 0
- NCSBN: None

#### October 2017

- Allegation review 47 cases (20 authorized for investigation)
- Summary suspensions 3
- CE Review/approvals 0
- Case reviews/Conferee 0
- Compliance conferences 0
- NCSBN: None

NCSBN Midyear Meeting, March 5-7, 2018, Chicago, IL

#### **Department Update**

Ditschman announced Kim Gaedeke has been named Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Acting Deputy Director and Cheryl Pezon has been named Acting Director of the Bureau of Professional Licensing.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Carol Holmes thanked Bridget Smith for the Attorney General training.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 4, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Basso, seconded by Iseler, to adjourn the meeting at 12:17 p.m.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Board Approved on: 1-4-18

Prepared by:

LeAnn Payne, Board Support

November 8, 2017