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**MICHIGAN BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS  
February 17, 2017 MEETING**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Athletic Trainers met on February 17, 2017, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Christina Eyers, EdD, AT, ATC, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Christina Eyers, EdD, AT, ATC, Chairperson  
Patrick Wykes, AT, ATC, Vice Chairperson  
Phillip Adler, MA, AT, ATC  
Mary Fineis, Public Member  
Daniel K. Tinkey, AT, ATC  
James K. Winkler, Jr., AT, ATC

**Members Absent:** Amber Dopp, Public Member  
Michael Kolinski, D.O.  
Jeremy Marra, MS, AT, ATC  
Gerald S. Myers, Public Member  
Steven Vance, MD

**Staff Present:** Nakisha Bayes, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section  
Ron Hitzler, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section  
Debi Haigh, Analyst, Licensing Division

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Fineis, seconded by Adler, to approve the agenda as presented.

A voice vote was taken.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by Adler, seconded by Wykes, to approve the minutes from May 13, 2016 meeting as written.

A voice vote was taken.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Administrative Rules**

Hitzler introduced himself as the new Policy Analyst for the Board.

Hitzler reported the public hearing for the Board of Athletic Trainers rules was held on February 6, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. There is no report on the rules. There was a public commenter, Matthew Hamilton. Hamilton presented several questions, the questions he asked were outside the scope of the Athletic Trainers rules. Hitzler has since resolved Hamilton's inquiries.

Hitzler notified the Board that he is preparing the JCAR report and it will be submitted for review shortly.

Eyers inquired if Hamilton's inquiries at the public hearing would be information the Board should apply toward an Athletic Trainers Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) section to the Michigan.gov website. She also wanted to know if the Board will start establishing an FAQ once the rules come back from JCAR.

Hitzler requested to go over details for establishing an FAQ with Eyers after the meeting concludes.

Haigh explained that there is a section of FAQ on the Bureau of Professional Licensing website under Athletic Trainers. She suggested the Board review the FAQ listed and see if the section answers the questions the Board has recently been presented with from the Public.

Eyers inquired about looking into any authority the Board may have in addressing schools that are hiring un-licensed athletic trainer personnel under different job titles. Eyers has tried to contact the Department of Education and has not had any success, she stated that she had presented the issued to the Board's former Policy Analyst, Karen Carpenter.



Manager of the Boards and Committees Section, Cheryl Pezon, has been promoted to Deputy Director of the Department.

Eyers requested to know what contact information the Board members should provide to the public when they are approached with questions.

Hitzler explained for questions regarding scope of practice, the email address that should be contacted is [BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov](mailto:BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov).

Haigh explained for questions regarding licensing, the email address that should be contacted is [BPLHelp@michigan.gov](mailto:BPLHelp@michigan.gov).

Tinkey inquired if there will be an opportunity for any further public comments regarding the rules.

Hitzler explained that the opportunity for public comment regarding the rules is closed. The opportunity for the public to comment ended on February 6, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held May 12, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa Street, Conference Room 4, Upper Level Conference Center, Lansing, Michigan.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Wykes, seconded by Tinkey, to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 a.m.

A voice vote was taken.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by Board on: November 17, 2017.

Prepared By:  
Nakisha Bayes, Board Support  
Bureau of Professional Licensing

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