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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY DECEMBER 16, 2016 MEETING

### APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Audiology met on December 18, 2016, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 6, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Thomas O'Connor, MA, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:** Thomas O'Connor, MA Chairperson  
Paul Kileny, Ph.D, Vice Chairperson  
Sharon Blackburn, AuD  
Lisa Brennan, Public Member  
Nicole Ferguson, AuD  
Teresa Zwolan, PhD

**Members Absent:** Melissa Somers, MD

**Staff Present:** LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section  
Pat Leary, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Ferguson, seconded by Kileny, to approve the agenda, with the addition of *Item 7 under New Business: Chair Report.*

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Blackburn, seconded by Zwolan, to approve the December 18, 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Elections**

Leary ran the election for Chairperson.

Motion by Ferguson, seconded by Kileny, to re-elect Thomas O'Connor, MA. as Chairperson.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

O'Connor ran the election for Vice Chairperson.

Motion by Hicks, seconded by Lewis, to re-elect Paul Kileny, Ph.D, as Vice Chairperson.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

### **Committee Assignments**

Leary informed the Board they need to form a Rules Committee. O'Connor appointed the following to the Rules Committee: O'Connor, Ferguson, Blackburn.

### **Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) Nomination**

Leary informed the Board that a representative is needed to represent the profession of Audiology for the Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) for a 2-year appointment. The candidate cannot be a board member. Any interested parties should notify Karen Carpenter, Policy Analyst for the Department, at CarpenterK@michigan.gov.

### **Medicare Rule for Requiring Screening for Depression**

O'Connor opened discussion regarding the Medicare rule for requiring screening for depression. He advised board members, to keep it on their radar.

### **Proposal for Telehealth (SB 0753)**

The Telehealth bill passed requiring signed consent for Telehealth treatment.

### **Occupational Noise Exposure Regulation**

The new MI OSHA regulation made tables current and didn't change.

### **Rules Update – Requirement for Pain and Symptom Management**

Leary informed the Board the statute requires continuing education in Pain and Symptom Management for all health professionals. Leary recommends opening the rules to add this requirement.

### **Human Trafficking Requirement**

Leary informed the Board that the rule for training in identifying victims of human trafficking was finalized. This is a one-time training requirement.

Discussion was held.

### **Department Update**

Leary introduced herself to the Board as their new analyst.

### **Chair Report**

O'Connor inquired about licensing/scope of practice for hearing aid dispensing. The concern is hearing aids can now be dispensed without the individual being examined by an Audiologist. Discussion took place over the legal ramifications that could occur.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held March 17, 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 Zwolan, seconded by Ferguson, to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Approved on June 16, 2017 \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared by:  
LeAnn Payne, Board Support

December 22, 2016