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MICHIGAN BOARD OF NURSING DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

JULY 9, 2020 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Nursing Disciplinary Subcommittee met on July 9, 2020. The meeting was held via Zoom pursuant to Executive Order 2020-129.

CALL TO ORDER

Debbie Edokpolo, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Debbie Edokpolo, Public Member, Chairperson
Kristin Ahrens, DNP, RN, CPNP, Alternate
Jessica Lannon, BA, RN, C-EFM
Tiffany McDonald, **RN**

Members Absent: Jason Puscas, Public Member

Staff Present: Carla Chapman, Senior Analyst, Compliance Section
LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Board and Committees Section
Bridget Smith, Assistant Attorney General

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to approve the agenda, as presented.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to approve the minutes from June 4, 2020, as presented.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Lucius Barnett, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Angela Brannen, RN, NP – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Lannon, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None
 Recuse: Ahrens

MOTION PREVAILED

Kerrie Ann DeYoung, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Cassandra Marie El Bouchabti, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by Ahrens, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Theresa Fox, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Karen Ann Frank, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Karen Sue Howland, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by Ahrens, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Kimberly Ann King, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation
a/k/a Kimberly Rizkallah**

MOTION by Ahrens, seconded by Lannon, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Aimee Marie Kula, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Lannon, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Karen E. LaCombe, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Lannon, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Kareh Ann Lawrence, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation
f/k/a Kareh Harris**

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Billie Martin, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Ahrens, seconded by McDonald, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, McDonald
 Nays: None
 Recuse: Lannon

MOTION PREVAILED

Sheryl Need, LPN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Lannon, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION PREVAILED

Katherine Stanford, LPN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Tonya Sturgeon, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by Ahrens, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Tanya Townsend, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Christopher Upshaw, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to reject the Consent Order and Stipulation with a counteroffer to dissolve the Order of Summary Suspension and suspend Respondent's license for six months and one day. Respondent is fined \$500.00 to be paid prior to applying for reinstatement.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION PREVAILED

Jayne Zito, RN – Consent Order and Stipulation

MOTION by Ahrens, seconded by Lannon, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Cora Lee Brown, RN, NP – Request for Dismissal

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to accept the Request for Dismissal.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Vern Coan, RN – Request for Dismissal

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to accept the Request for Dismissal.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Ann Hawley, RN – Request for Dismissal

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Lannon, to accept the Request for Dismissal.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Matthew Honaker, RN – Proposal for Decision

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

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Kimberly Wing, RN – Proposal for Decision

MOTION by Ahrens, seconded by McDonald, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to accept the Proposal for Decision and place a limitation on Respondent's license to no practice in a home health care setting for a minimum of two years. Respondent must petition for reclassification of license. Respondent is placed on probation to run concurrent with the limitation. The terms of probation include quarterly employer reports, completion of continuing education in disciplinary actions, professional accountability and legal liability, professional boundaries, and ethics. Within 90 days, Respondent must pay a \$1,000.00 fine and complete the continuing education. Respondent's license will be suspended if non-compliant.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Elisabeth Haack, RN – Administrative Complaint

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to suspend Respondent's license for a minimum of one day, until HPRP compliance, and completion of continuing education in disciplinary actions, and understanding substance use disorder, and payment of a \$250.00 fine. Upon reinstatement, Respondent will be placed on probation for two years, not to exceed four years, with quarterly employer reports, and HPRP compliance. Respondent may complete a skills assessment if unable to obtain employment for two years within four years.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Amy Hemingway, RN – Administrative Complaint

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, dissolve the Order of Summary Suspension, and suspend Respondent's license for six months and one day. Respondent is fined \$500.00 to be paid prior to applying for reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Denise Madden, LPN – Administrative Complaint

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by Ahrens, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Lannon, to dissolve the Order of Summary Suspension and suspend Respondent's license for one year. Respondent is fined \$10,000.00 to be paid prior to applying for reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Abigail McIntire, RN – Administrative Complaint

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to suspend Respondent's license for a minimum of one day, until HPRP compliance, complete continuing education in disciplinary actions, ethics, and understanding substance use disorder, and payment of a \$250.00 fine. Upon reinstatement, Respondent is placed on probation for one year, not to exceed two years, with quarterly employer reports, and HPRP compliance. Respondent may complete a skills assessment if unable to obtain one-year employment within two years.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Jonathan Simkus, RN – Administrative Complaint

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to suspend Respondent's license for a minimum of one day, until submission of deficient quarterly employer reports, and payment of a \$250.000. Upon reinstatement, Respondent must comply with the previously executed order.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Ashely Spencer, LPN – Administrative Complaint

MOTION by Lannon, seconded by McDonald, to dissolve the Order of Summary Suspension and suspend Respondent's license for six months and one day. Respondent is fined \$500.00 to be paid prior to applying for reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Robert Trestain, RN – Administrative Complaint

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to suspend Respondent's license for six months and one day. Respondent must pay a \$250.00 prior to applying for reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Anita Tringali, RN, NP – Administrative Complaint

Lannon left meeting at 2:20 p.m.

MOTION by McDonald, seconded by Ahrens, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, McDonald

MOTION PREVAILED

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be August 6, 2020, scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Conference Room 4, Upper Level (UL), Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ahrens, seconded by McDonald, to adjourn the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Ahrens, Edokpolo, Lannon, McDonald
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on: August 6, 2020

Prepared by:
LeAnn Payne, Board Support
Bureau of Professional Licensing

July 15, 2020