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**MICHIGAN BOARD OF MEDICINE  
DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 MEETING  
APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Medicine Disciplinary Subcommittee met on September 16, 2020. The meeting was held via Zoom, pursuant to Executive Order 2020-154.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Renee Johnston, JD, Public Member, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Renee Johnston, JD, Public Member, Chairperson  
Richard Bates, MD  
Stacey Frankovich, Public Member  
Venkat Rao, MD  
James Sondheimer, MD

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Kiran Parag, Senior Analyst, Compliance Section  
Michele Wagner-Gutkowski, Assistant Attorney General  
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to approve the agenda, with the removal of item 5.A.11.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

**MOTION PREVAILED**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by ~~Tabrizi~~ **Rao**, seconded by ~~Sondheimer~~ **Bates**, to approve the July 15, 2020 meeting minutes, as presented.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

### **Consent Orders and Stipulations**

#### **Aurora C. Andrews, MD**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Sondheimer, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Bates

MOTION PREVAILED

#### **Nita Katherine Babcock, MD**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Bates, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

#### **William Adrien Bonnefil, MD**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Sondheimer, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Bates

MOTION PREVAILED

**Stephen N. Dallas, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Sondheimer, to reject the Consent Order and Stipulation, requesting that a board conferee be consulted in resolution of the complaint.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Roberto Luis Duran, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Jonathan Todd Foster, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Frankovich, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Marilyn L.G. Gates, MD**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Bates, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Frankovich, seconded by Rao, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Keith Raymond Hoffman**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Bates, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Timothy Hsu, MD**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Bates, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Naiyer Imam, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Daniel K. Park, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Sondheimer

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Sondheimer

MOTION PREVAILED

**Roger Alan Phillips, MD**

MOTION by Frankovich, seconded by Bates, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Poonam Singh, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Sondheimer, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Rao

MOTION PREVAILED

**N. Seetha Uthappa, MD**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Frankovich, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Kurth Rodney Wharton**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Order of Dismissal**

**Alphonso Brenell Benton, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to accept the Order of Dismissal.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Administrative Complaints**

**Thomas Lee Donnellon, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to dissolve the Order of Summary Suspension and revoke Respondent's license.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Reynold John, MD**

MOTION by Frankovich, seconded by Bates, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Frankovich, seconded by Bates, to suspend the Respondent's license for six months and one day.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Frankovich, seconded by Rao, to recess at 9:58 a.m. and to reconvene the Disciplinary Subcommittee meeting after the conclusion of the full board meeting.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to reconvene the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Vincenzo Rocco Susini, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to limit the Respondent's license for a minimum of one day. During the limitation period, the Respondent is precluded from practicing medicine in Michigan. The Respondent's license shall be automatically reclassified to a full and unlimited license upon satisfactory evidence that the Respondent has fully complied with the terms of his Ontario board order and holds a full and unencumbered license to practice in Ontario. The Respondent is fined \$2,000.00 to be paid prior to reclassification of the license.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Leonard W. Van Gelder, MD**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Bates, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Bates, to revoke the Respondent's license.

Discussion was held.



A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

**Proposals for Decision**

**Ashvin C. Pandya, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Frankovich, to discuss.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Absent: Rao

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Frankovich, to accept the Proposal for Decision.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Rao

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Frankovich, seconded by Bates, to suspend Respondent's license for six months and one day. Prior to filing for reinstatement, the Respondent shall provide satisfactory evidence indicating he has a full and unencumbered California medical license and has fully complied with the terms of his California board order. Respondent is fined \$2,500.00 to be paid prior to applying for reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Rao

MOTION PREVAILED

**Daniel Joseph Ryan, MD**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Frankovich, to accept the Proposal for Decision and dismiss Administrative Complaint dated January 22, 2019.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Rao

**MOTION PREVAILED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held November 18, 2020 scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. at 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center Room 3, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Bates, seconded by Rao, to adjourn the meeting at 12:51 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bates, Frankovich, Rao, Sondheimer, Johnston  
Nays: None

**MOTION PREVAILED**

Minutes approved by the Board on November 18, 2020.

Prepared by:  
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September 17, 2020