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MICHIGAN BOARD OF MEDICINE

NOVEMBER 20, 2019 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, the Michigan Board of Medicine met on November 20, 2019 at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 3, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Mohammed Arsiwala, MD, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mohammed Arsiwala, MD, Chairperson
Louis Prues, PhD, Public Member, Vice Chairperson
Richard Bates, MD
Michael Chafty, MD
Michael Chrissos, MD (11:48 a.m. departure)
Stacey Frankovich, Public Member
Renee Johnston, Public Member
John McGinnity, MS, PA-C
Cara Poland, MD
Venkat Rao, MD
James Rogers, MD
Traci Ruiz, Public Member
Paul Sophiea, Public Member
James Sondheimer, MD
Eric Stocker, Public Member
Dennis Szymanski, MD
Shereen Tabrizi, PhD, Public Member
Terri Tahnoose, Public Member
Rosalie Tocco-Bradley, MD, PhD

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Michael Draminski, Manager, Compliance Section
Weston MacIntosh, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
Kiran Parag, Analyst, Compliance Section
LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section
Kerry Przybylo, Manager, Boards and Committees Section

Michele Wagner-Gutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Chrissos, seconded by Stocker, to approve the agenda, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Sophiea, seconded by Tabrizi, to approve the September 18, 2019, meeting minutes, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Bassel Altantawi, MD – Petition for Reinstatement

MOTION by Sondheimer, seconded by Stocker, to discuss.

Sophiea recused himself.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Szymanski, seconded by Stocker, to deny the Petition for Reinstatement.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Bates, Chafty, Chrissos, Frankovich, Johnston,
 McGinnity, Poland, Rao, Rogers, Ruiz,
 Sondheimer, Stocker, Szymanski, Tabrizi,
 Tahnoose, Tocco-Bradley, Prues, Arsiwala
 Nays: None
 Recuse: Sophiea

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

MOTION PREVAILED

Resolutions

Arsiwala presented a Resolution to Louis Prues, PhD, James Rogers, MD, Rosalie Tocco-Bradley, MD, PhD, and Dennis Szymanski, MD, thanking them for their 8-years of service and commitment to the Board of Medicine and dedication to the public.

Przybylo presented a Resolution to Mohammad Arsiwala, MD, Chairperson, thanking him for his 8-years of service and commitment to the Board and his position of Chairperson.

Chairperson's Report

Arsiwala appointed Chafty to the Board Review Panel.

Arsiwala stated he would like to see sexual assault training for department staff and board members. He felt there is a need for a uniform balance on treatment.

Arsiwala stated he will miss everyone and was thankful he had made lifelong friends. Arsiwala reminded the Board that they are serving to protect the public.

Department Update

MacIntosh announced that Debra Gagliardi has been named Director of the Bureau of Professional Licensing.

MacIntosh advised board members to check their State of Michigan emails regularly.

MacIntosh announced that the Department will provide another Board member training February 27, 2020. All members are welcome to attend.

Draminski informed the Board that the Department will be using Egress for sending conferee materials in the near future.

Przybylo answered questions from the Board regarding email, security badges, and parking.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Investigations and Complaints

Rogers reported that the Board Review Panel Committee reviewed fifteen (15) files from September 18, 2019 – September 30, 2019. Six (6) files were authorized for investigation and nine (9) files were closed.

The Board Review Panel Committee reviewed thirty-four (34) files in October 2019. Twenty (20) files were authorized for investigation and fourteen (14) files were closed.

The Board Review Panel Committee reviewed fourteen (14) files in November 2019. Twelve (12) files were authorized for investigation and two (2) files were closed.

Rules Committee

MacIntosh informed the Board that the rules are still moving through the promulgation process.

Disciplinary Subcommittee

Johnston informed the Board that the DSC reviewed 36 cases.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting is January 15, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Chrissos, seconded by Sondheimer, to adjourn the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on: January 15, 2020.

Prepared by:
LeAnn Payne
Bureau of Professional Licensing

November 25, 2019