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MICHIGAN BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY NOVEMBER 5, 2020 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Physical Therapy met on November 5, 2020. The meeting was held via Zoom, pursuant to MCL 15.263.

CALL TO ORDER

Sarah McAllister, PT, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sarah McAllister, PT, Chairperson
Matthew McFadden, PT, MSPT, OMPT, Vice Chairperson (arrived 1:37 p.m.)
Jeffrey D. Clark, PT
Allison Ives, Public Member
Craig T. Miller, PT
Erica Sherman, PT
La'Nik M. St. Julien, Public Member
Adam Swain, PT, AT
Michael Winkler, Public Member

Members Absent: Morgan Kennedy, PTA
Syed Rob, Public Member

Staff Present: Laury Brown, Senior Analyst, Compliance Section
Weston MacIntosh, Senior Policy Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Winkler, seconded by Miller, to approve the amended agenda as presented.

McAllister confirmed that the Rules Committee members are McAllister, McFadden, and Miller.

Chair Report

McAllister stated that October was Physical Therapy Month. She thanked the professionals who were working during the pandemic. She thanked the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) and the Board for their flexibility over the last several months.

McAllister stated that over the last couple of months, she has been a part of an implicit bias training workgroup with LARA. She stated that she was impressed with the evidence-based way the discussions were held.

Department Update

Wysack reminded the Board Members to check their state email address regularly as it is the source of communication with the Department. She stated that the state email address will now be used as the User ID for Egress, so it is important to get in the habit of checking the email on a regular basis.

MacIntosh asked that the Board members notify the Department in advance if they are unable to attend a meeting.

MacIntosh stated that the Bureau will hold the next Board Member Training on February 17, 2021, via Zoom. All Board members are welcome to attend.

MacIntosh stated that the Bureau received the implicit bias training recommendations and will be working on a draft for the Public Health Code – General Rules.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jake Jakubiak Kovacek, from the American Physical Therapy Association – Michigan Chapter (APTA Michigan). She stated that the APTA Michigan recently testified in support of SB 898 about reimbursement for telehealth services and SB 22 about physical therapy compact licensure. She acknowledged two other members of the APTA Michigan, Gayle Wallace and Julia Rice, who were also in attendance at the board meeting.

Julia Rice stated that she appreciated that the Board meeting was held virtually as it allowed her to attend, whereas she could not with in-person meetings.

