MICHIGAN BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE
MAY 18, 2021 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Respiratory Care met on May 18, 2021. The meeting was held via Zoom, pursuant to MCL 15.263, 15.263a, and City of Lansing Resolution #2021-081.

CALL TO ORDER

Laurie Niemer, MPA, LRT, RRT, Vice Chairperson, Acting Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:003a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: **Laurie Niemer, MPA, LRT, RRT, Vice Chairperson, Acting Chairperson**
Attended remotely from the city of Clinton Township, Macomb Township, Michigan.

John Byrd, Public Member
Attended remotely from the city of Marshall, Calhoun County, Michigan.

Michael Dunn, MD
Attended remotely from the city of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan.

Veena Erinjeri, LRT
Attended remotely from the city of Flint, Genesee County, Michigan.

Andrea Hanford, RRT-ACCS
Attended remotely from the city of Livonia, Wayne County, Michigan.

Emily Pokora Zyla, MSHS, RRT
Attended remotely from the city of Algoma Township, Kent County, Michigan.

Mindy Van Houzen, Public Member
Attended remotely from the city of Interlochen, Benzie County, Michigan.

Elizabeth Weir, Public Member
Attended remotely from the city of Troy, Oakland County, Michigan.

Andrew Weirauch, BSRT, RRT-ACCS
Attended remotely from the city of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan.

Members Absent: Shari Heydenburg, LRT
Jonathan Vono, RRT, Chairperson

Staff Present: Dena Marks, Senior Policy Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
Jennifer Shaltry, Senior Analyst, Compliance Section
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Dunn, seconded by Weir, to approve the agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Weir, seconded by Byrd, to approve the August 19, 2020 meeting minutes as written with the correction of Niemer as the Vice Chairperson, not Heydenburg, under Members Absent.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Byrd, seconded by Weir, to rescind the previous vote to approve the August 19, 2020 meeting minutes as written with the correction of Niemer as the Vice Chairperson, not Heydenburg, under Members Absent.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Byrd, seconded by Weirauch, to approve the November 4, 2020 meeting minutes as written with the correction of Niemer as the Vice Chairperson, not Heydenburg, under Members Absent.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Petition for Reinstatement – Branden Tylus, RT

MOTION by Erinjeri, seconded by Byrd to approve the Petition for Reinstatement and grant a full license. Petitioner is placed on probation for one year. Terms of probation include compliance with the public health code and compliance with the previous final order dated November 9, 2018.

Discussion was held.
A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Master Resolution

Marks provided a review of the Board of Respiratory Master Resolution. The Board did not make any changes.

Rules Discussion

Marks stated that there were only two comments (Attachment #1) received from the public hearing.

MOTION by Byrd, seconded by Weir, to accept the Rules Committee's recommendations regarding the public comments.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Marks stated that there was new legislation regarding reciprocity that needed to be reviewed for the next rule set. She asked for a motion to open the rules, once the current rule set is promulgated, in order to begin working on them as soon as possible.

MOTION by Pokora Zyla, seconded by Hanford, to open the rules, once the current rule set is promulgated.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

HPRC Appointment

Marks explained that Carl F. Haas, MLS, LRT, RRT, has retired from practice and resigned from the HPRC Committee. She highlighted the requirements of a candidate. Marks stated that Board members should have possible candidates email a letter of interest and curriculum vitae to the department.

HPRP Annual Report

Marks explained what the HPRP program is and provided a brief overview of the HPRP program and presented the HPRP Executive Summary: October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Board Member Resolution

Marks presented a Resolution to Matthew Anderson, honoring the time he served on the Michigan Board of Respiratory Care.

Elections

Marks ran the election for Chairperson.

MOTION by Pokora Zyla, seconded by Byrd, to elect Niemer as Chairperson.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Niemer, seconded by Byrd, to elect Pokora Zyla as the Vice Chairperson.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Committee Assignments

Niemer made the following committee assignments:

<u>Disciplinary Subcommittee</u>
Byrd – Public Chairperson
Weir – Public
Erinjeri – Professional
Hanford – Professional
Pokora Zyla - Professional
Van Houzen – Public Alternate
Dunn – Professional Alternate

Board Review Panel
Niemer
Heydenburg
Vono

Rules
Niemer
Vono
Weirauch

Chair Report

None

Department Update

Marks stated that the next Board Member Training will be held via Zoom on July 13, 2021. All board members are welcome to attend. She stated that material has been uploaded to Egress, under Resources, to provide board members with more information on how the Board and Department function.

Wysack reminded the Board Members to check their state email address regularly as it is the source of communication with the Department.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held August 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Byrd, seconded by Pokora Zyla, to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Byrd, Dunn, Erinjeri, Hanford, Pokora Zyla, Van Houzen, Weir, Weirauch, Niemer
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on August 17, 2021.

Prepared by:
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support May 18, 2021
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