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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
LANSING

MARLON I. BROWN, DPA
ACTING DIRECTOR

OCTOBER 26, 2023 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Acupuncture met in regular session on October 26, 2023, at 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Center Room 4, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Caitlin Bonk, OMD, LAc, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Caitlin Bonk, OMD, LAc, Chairperson
Carey Ryan, LAc, Vice Chairperson
Abigail Ellsworth, ND, LAc, Professional Member
Fatima Fahs, MD
Liz Lukasik, Public Member
Ryan Mehmandoost-Gauthier, DAOM, LAc, LMT, Professional Member
Heather Sloan, LAc, Professional Member

Members Absent: Carlota Almanza-Lumpkin, Public Member
Brian Emrys, LAc, Professional Member
Mark Crapo, OMD, DAc, LAc, Professional Member
Kristen Hall, Public Member
Zhiling Trowbridge, MD

Staff Present: Dena Marks, JD., Departmental Specialist, Boards and Committees Section
Kimmy Catlin, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Ellsworth, seconded by Lukasik, to approve the agenda as presented.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Fahs, seconded Ellsworth, to approve the minutes of the July 27, 2023, meeting minutes as written.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Licensing Review Committee Applicants

Sara Al Rawi

MOTION by Lukasik, seconded by Sloan, to table the matter.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Randi Sobel

MOTION by Ryan, seconded by Lukasik, to deny the application for licensure.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

A roll call vote was held: Yeas – Ellsworth, Fahs, Lukasik, Mehmandoost-Gauthier, Sloan,
Ryan, Bonk
Nays – None

MOTION PREVAILED

Master Resolution

Marks presented the resolution.

2024 Public Notice

Discussion was held regarding the 2024 meeting dates.

Rules Discussion

MOTION by Lukasik, seconded by Fahs, to approve the draft rules as written.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas – Ellsworth, Fahs, Lukasik, Mehmandoost-Gauthier, Sloan,
Ryan, Bonk
Nays – None

MOTION PREVAILED

Chair Report

None

Department Update

Marks stated that Orlene Hawks has retired, and Marlon I. Brown, DPA, is the Acting Director.

Marks stated that the bureau will hold the next Board Member Training on February 21, 2024, via Zoom. All board members are welcome to attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Center Room 4, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Sloan, seconded by Lukasik, to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on January 11, 2024.

Prepared by:
Kimmy Catlin, Board Support Technician

October 26, 2023

Bureau of Professional Licensing