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MICHIGAN BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

JANUARY 30, 2023 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Massage Therapy met on January 30, 2023, at 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Center Room 4, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

JT Stout, LMT, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: JT Stout, LMT, Chairperson
Dana M. Blank, Public Member
Kristin L. Brooks, Public Member
Irene Savoyat, LMT

Members Absent: Jason Bacchus, LMT, Vice Chairperson
Frances E. McCullough, LMT
Jamel Randall, LMT

Staff Present: Laury Brown, Senior Analyst, Compliance Section
Dena Marks, Departmental Specialist, Boards and Committees Section
Kaye Thelen, Analyst, Licensing Division
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support Technician,
Boards and Committees Section

ROLL CALL/PUBLIC COMMENT REMINDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Savoyat, seconded by Brooks, to approve the agenda, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Blank, seconded by Brooks, to approve the January 31, 2022, meeting minutes, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

2023 Public Notice

Stout stated that the 2023 Public Notice is uploaded to the Department Resources folder in Egress.

Board Member Resolutions

Stout presented resolutions to Katie Kiter and Amelia Lipovsky, LMT, honoring the time they served on the Michigan Board of Massage Therapy.

Board of Medicine Master Resolution Review

Marks provided an overview of the Board of Massage Therapy Resolution. The board made no changes.

Elections

Marks ran the election for chairperson.

MOTION by Savoyat, seconded by Brooks, to re-elect Stout as chairperson.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Blank, Brooks, Savoyat, Stout
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Marks ran the election for vice chairperson.

MOTION by Stout, seconded by Brooks, to re-elect Bacchus as vice chairperson.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Blank, Brooks, Savoyat, Stout
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Committee Assignments

Stout provided an overview of the current committee assignments.

Disciplinary Subcommittee

Blank – Public Chairperson

Brooks – Public

Bacchus – Professional

Savoyat – Professional

McCullough – Professional Alternate

Board Review Panel

Stout

McCullough

Randall

Rules

Randall

Savoyat

HPRP Annual Report

Marks presented the HPRP Executive Summary: October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022.

HPRC Appointment

Marks stated that the board does not currently have a representative on the HPRC Committee. She stated Christin Adams, LMSW, has expressed interest in the position.

MOTION by Brooks, seconded by Savoyat, to elect Christin Adams, LMSW, as the HPRC representative for the Michigan Board of Massage Therapy.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Blank, Brooks, Savoyat, Stout
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Chair Report

Stout stated that he will be representing the Michigan Board of Massage Therapy with the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB) meeting.

Department Update

Marks stated that the next board member training is scheduled for March 8, 2023, via Zoom. All board members are welcome to attend.

Marks stated that equipment has been installed in the meeting rooms for future recording of board meetings, beginning March 28, 2023. She stated that the board will need to be mindful of microphones and to make sure to speak loudly and clearly.

Thelen stated that an update had been done to MiPlus to make renewals and relicensure easier to process.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held April 3, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at 611 W. Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Center Room 4, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Brooks, seconded by Blank, to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on: July 10, 2023.

Prepared by:
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support Technician
Bureau of Professional Licensing

February 1, 2023