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## **MICHIGAN BOARD OF MEDICINE**

### **MAY 15, 2019 MEETING**

### **APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, the Michigan Board of Medicine met on May 15, 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 10:03 a.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Mohammed Arsiwala, MD, Chairperson  
Louis Prues, PhD, Public Member, Vice Chairperson  
Richard Bates, MD  
Michael Chafty, MD (11:43 a.m. departure)  
Michael Chrissos, MD (10:10 a.m. arrival)  
Renee Johnston, Public Member (11:43 departure)  
John McGinnity, MS, PA-C  
Venkat Rao, MD  
James Rogers, MD (10:17 a.m. arrival)  
Traci Ruiz, Public Member  
Eric Stocker, Public Member  
Dennis Szymanski, MD  
Shereen Tabrizi, Public Member  
Terri Tahnoose, Public Member

**Members Absent:** Stacey Frankovich, Public Member  
Cara Poland, MD  
James Sondheimer, MD  
Paul Sophiea, Public Member  
Rosalie Tocco-Bradley, MD, PhD

**Staff Present:** Debra Wright Chambers, Analyst, Complaint Intake Section  
Weston MacIntosh, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section  
Stephanie Rosenthal, Manager, Complaint Intake Section  
Kiran Parag, Analyst, Compliance Section  
LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section

Bridget Smith, Assistant Attorney General  
Michele Wagner-Gutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Tahnoose to approve the agenda, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by Szymanski, seconded by Chafty, to approve the March 20, 2019, meeting minutes, as presented.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

### **Summary of CPEP Learning Summit**

Bridget Smith, AAG introduced herself to the Board. Smith presented an overview and gave the Board a handout explaining the different programs that CPEP has to offer and the fees associated with them.

### **FSMB Presentation**

Arsiwala introduced Mike Dugan, MBA Chief Information Officer and Senior Vice President for Operations from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) and together they gave the Board a presentation on the FSMB.

### **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Vincent James Keiser, MD – Proposal for Decision**

MOTION by Chafty, seconded by McGinnity, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Rao, seconded by McGinnity, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant licensure.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Bates, Chafty, Chrissos, Johnston, McGinnity, Rao, Ruiz, Stocker, Szymanski, Tabrizi, Tahnoose,

Prues, Arsiwala  
Nays: Rogers

MOTION PREVAILED

**Richard Charles Mendel, MD – Proposal for Decision**

MOTION by Chrissos, seconded by Chafty, to discuss.

A voice vote was taken.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Rogers, seconded by Johnston, to accept in part and reject in part the Proposal for Decision and table for the drafting of the Board's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law to deny reinstatement.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Bates, Chafty, Chrissos, Johnston, McGinnity, Rao,  
Rogers, Ruiz, Stocker, Tabrizi, Tahnoose,  
Prues, Arsiwala  
Nays: None  
Recuse: Szymanski

Johnston left at 11:22 a.m.

**Peter R. Nwoke, MD – Proposal for Decision**

MOTION by Chrissos, seconded by Rao, to discuss.

A voice vote was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was taken.

MOTION by Rao, seconded by Prues, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant Petitioner a limited license for one year. The terms of the limitation prohibit Petitioner from obtaining, possessing, prescribing, dispensing, or administering any drug designed as a controlled substance. Petitioner is placed on probation for two years. During the probationary period, Petitioner shall request approval of a proposed physician reviewer from a Board-accepted monitoring organization who shall review 25 of Petitioner's patient charts quarterly and provide quarterly reports on Petitioner's professional practice and documentation. After receiving four successful quarterly reviews from the physician reviewer, Petitioner's license shall be automatically reclassified. Upon reclassification of

the Petitioner's license, the chart and practice review by the physician reviewer shall focus on Petitioner's controlled substance prescribing and documentation.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Bates, Chafty, Chrissos, Johnston, McGinnity, Rao,  
Stocker, Szymanski, Tabrizi, Tahnoose,  
Prues, Arsiwala  
Nays: None  
Abstain: Rogers, Ruiz

MOTION PREVAILED

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chafty and Johnston left at 11:43 a.m.

### **Continuing Education Waiver – Pablo Almuna, MD**

MOTION by Szymanski, seconded by Rao, to discuss.

A voice vote was taken.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by McGinnity, seconded by Rao, to deny the Continuing Education Waiver Request.

A roll call vote was held: Yeas: Bates, Chrissos, McGinnity, Rao, Rogers, Ruiz  
Stocker, Szymanski, Tabrizi, Tahnoose,  
Prues, Arsiwala  
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

### **Chairperson's Report**

Conferee Assignment: 7  
Quarterly Reports Approved: 2  
CME/CPEP courses approved: 5  
Face to Face Conferee Conference: 3  
Settlement offers, and conferee conference issued: 16



## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held July 17, 2019 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 Rao, seconded by Tabrizi, to adjourn the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on: July 17, 2019.

Prepared by:  
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