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MICHIGAN BOARD OF LICENSED MIDWIFERY

NOVEMBER 24, 2020, 2020 MEETING

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Licensed Midwifery met on November 24, 2020. The meeting was held via Zoom, pursuant to Executive Order pursuant to MCL 15.263 and 263a.

CALL TO ORDER

Katheryn Mazzara, Professional Member, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:39 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: **Katheryn Mazzara, Professional Member, Chairperson**

Attending remotely from the city of Hartland Township,
Livingston County, Michigan

Patrice Bobier, Professional Member

Attending remotely from the city of Hesperia, Oceana County,
Michigan

Claretta Duckett-Freeman, Public Member

Attending remotely from the city of Lansing, Ingham County,
Michigan

Amanda Howell, Professional Member

Attending remotely from the city of Clinton, Lenawee County,
Michigan

Sandra McCurdy, Professional Member

Attending remotely from the city of Lansing, Ingham County,
Michigan

Connie Perkins, Professional Member

Attending remotely from the city of Mason, Ingham County,
Michigan

Stacia Proefrock, Professional Member

Attending remotely from the city of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan

Kristin Revere, Public Member

Attending remotely from the city of Tuscan, Pima County, Arizona

Geradine Simkins, Professional Member

Attending remotely from the city of Maple City, Leelanau County Michigan

Hsin Wang, Professional Member

Attending remotely from the city of Commerce Township, Oakland County, Michigan

Members Absent: Donald Greydanus, Professional Member
Heather Robinson, Professional Member, Vice Chairperson

Staff Present: Andria Ditschman, Senior Policy Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section
Kerry Przybylo, Manager, Boards and Committees Section

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Simkins, seconded by McCurdy, to approve the amended agenda, as presented.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bobier, Duckett-Freeman, Howell,
McCurdy, Perkins, Proefrock, Revere, Simkins,
Wang, Mazzara
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Howell, seconded by Bobier, to approve the April 14, 2020 meeting minutes, as written.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bobier, Duckett-Freeman, Howell,
 McCurdy, Perkins, Proefrock, Revere, Simkins,
 Wang, Mazzara
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

NEW BUSINESS

Rules Discussion

Ditschman informed the Board that an administrative rule provision related to an English language/TOEFL standard will be removed from the Board of Midwifery rules. Department leadership has decided to put a single English language rule requirement in the Public Health Code-General Rules for all health care professions. The Board will need to open the rules to make this change.

MOTION by Duckett-Freeman, seconded by Simkins, to open the rules.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bobier, Duckett-Freeman, Howell,
 McCurdy, Perkins, Proefrock, Revere, Simkins,
 Wang, Mazzara
 Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Resolutions

Ditschman read the resolutions given to Fisch, Michele, and White. Ditschman and Mazzara thank them for their service.

HPRP Appointment

Ditschman informed the Board that the HPRC needs a representative for their Board on the committee. She asked the Board to have qualified candidates send a letter of interest and curriculum vitae to the Department.

2021 Public Notice

The Board was given the 2021 Public Notice.

Chair Report

Mazzara thanked Midwives out in the community. She acknowledged that it has been difficult to obtain personal protection equipment (PPE). She is proud of her profession.

