

## **Michigan Society for Respiratory Care House of Representatives Meeting**

**Date:** December 3, 2021

**Location:** Zoom Conference Call

**Present:** Attached

**Recorder:** Jessica Cusac

**Call to order:** 10:06a.m. by Chris Culter      **Adjourned:** 11:34 a.m. by Chris Culter

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Report</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1. Call to Order</b>		Chris Culter	
<b>2. Roll Call</b>	<i>Attached</i>	Participants signed in online and introduced themselves.	
<b>3. Approval of Agenda</b>		Chris Culter called for approval	Motion to approve Agenda: Rena Laliberte, seconded by Connie Lane; House approved.
<b>4. Approval of Consent Agenda &amp; 8/13 Meeting Minutes</b>		Chris Culter called for approval <i>(Section includes financial reports (containing no consequential variances, committee reports and board motions)</i> (Call for Motion & Second / Question Session / Discussion / Vote) A. Minutes from October 8, 2021	Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Kathy Gurin; seconded by Teena Culhane; House approved. Motion to approve 8/13/2021 Meeting minutes: Rena Laliberte; seconded by Connie Lane; House approved.
<b>5. Treasure Report</b>		Kelly Fiorino: See financials report that was sent out prior to house meeting. <b>Discussion:</b> Kelly is planning to meet with Ryan Hoff from PNC bank to review MSRC investments. Will report back. MSRC purchased bonding insurance, so all MSRC executive committee members are bonded.	Budget was sent to all house members prior to meeting. Refer to email for details and numbers. Motion by Nick Prush; seconded by Tony Iannetta; House approved.

**6. New Business**

- a. Nominations and Elections: Erica Basile: 2022 results are in. Erica will email winners on 12/10 congratulating them. These results will be posted on the website by 12/16/2021. There are still many vacant positions. If you know potential candidates please email Chris, Jon, or Erica.
- b. Legislative update: Bret Marr: Work with Anne Hummel from the AARC was very helpful. LARA currently has our bill, and we should hear back by the week of 12/6 from them. The bill should be introduced in January 2022. Of note, Bret wanted to mention that the legislators on both sides are aware with the issues with staffing shortages in the hospitals around the state of Michigan.
- c. Policies and Procedures: Nick Prush: We are close to reaching our goal of completing the P & P update and will be done by the end of the year. P & P updates will be ready for viewing by February 2022 house meeting.
- d. Spring Conference Update: Carissa Novak: This year's conference will be a two-day event. Monday March 28<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup>. The speaker line up is almost complete. Spring conference has the capability to go virtual if needed, but for now the plan is to hold live in person. Nick Prush is now the new Sputum Bowl Chair.
- e. 2022 Budget: Kelly Fiorino: Budget was sent out to all house members for their review prior to house meeting. The budget is planned around both Spring and Fall and not sure if they will be held live, therefor budget is planned around our two biggest events. Lobbying is a cost of \$ 1500/month. Currently the 2022 budget doesn't not plan for lobbying. Kelly Fiorino called for a motion to spend \$1500/ month outside of the 2022 budget for lobbying.  
**Discussion:** Question asked: How many years have we paid for lobbying? Answer, many years. The MSRC has have used lobbying for major advances in our field such as obtaining licensure and for RT to keep licensure when it was in jeopardy of being cut a few years ago. Question asked: Could we not use a lawyer? Answer, A lawyer could possibly be very expensive, and they are not fully engaged and on top

All in favor of using \$1500/month outside of our budget for lobbying; House approved. Motion by Kelly Fiorino to approve 2022 budget as balanced budget; seconded by Jessica Cusac; house approved.

<p><b>7. Standing items</b></p> <p><b>8. Unfinished Business</b></p> <p><b>9. Open Forum</b></p>		<p>of our profession as well as what is going on in Lansing. We could investigate this as well. Discussion complete; voting done.</p> <p>f. AARC Update: Teena Culhane and Erica Basile: Please see presentation sent to house members. Rena Laliberte asked is anyone able to do a career fair in Dearborn at a high school. Information sent to Teena Culhane.</p> <p>g. 2022 House Meeting Dates: Chris Culter: The following dates for 2022 MSRC house meetings were proposed: 2/4, 3/28 (w/Spring conf.), 6/3, 8/12, 10/3 (w/Fall conf.), and 12/2. These dates will be posted on the MSRC website.</p> <p>a. <b>Summit Award:</b> Chris Culter: Asking for everyone to look at areas where we lack support. Please send any activity you might be involved with to Teena.</p> <p>Nothing currently</p> <p>Chris Culter: Transport chair elect is open, and he would like to nominate George Mitri.</p>	<p>Motion to approve 2022 meeting dates by Nick Prush; seconded by Kathy Gurin; house approved.</p> <p>Motion called by Chris Culter. House approved.</p>
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<p><b>10. Call for Motion to Adjourn</b></p>		<p>Kelly Fiorino: Send newsletter content to Kelly, Nick, or Connie by January.</p> <p>Duane Croel: Looking for guidance on COVID patient level of care and what areas of the hospitals they are placed in if care is escalating. Please reach out to him.</p> <p>Jessica Cusac: Thanked Chris for his year of leadership.</p> <p>Chris Culter: Discussion in the future on holding MSRC house meetings in person again. As of now they will remain on zoom.</p>	<p>Motion made by Connie Lane; seconded by Teena Culhane; house approved. Adjourned at 11:34 a.m.</p>