# North Dakota Board of Dietetic Practice Meeting Minutes Dakota Medical Foundation, 4141 28<sup>th</sup> Ave. S, Fargo ND 12.11.17 Noon (CST)

Mission: To protect the public and ensure compliance with the ND Century Code Chapter 43-44.

Board Members Present: Linda Schloer, Brooke Fredrickson, Beth Viland, and Shaundra Ziemann-Bolinske. Also present was Pat Anderson, NDBODP Executive Secretary. Guests: Megan Myrdal, Bri Srnksky, Emily Karel, and Jenn Haugen.

#### I. Call to Order

Chair, Linda Schloer called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

## II. Welcoming of NDAND Guests and Introductions

Introductions were made and Linda thanked the NDAND members for attending the meeting today.

## III. Approval of Minutes from 9.16.17

Shaundra Ziemann-Bolinske moved to approve the minutes as distributed; Brooke Fredrickson seconded the motion. Those approving the motion were Shaundra Ziemann-Bolinske, Brooke Fredrickson, and Beth Viland.

## IV. Unfinished Business

#### a. Financial Audit

Two bids were obtained for the financial audit; the bid was awarded to Overmoe and Nelson as the lowest bidder. Pat Anderson reported that she met with the auditor this morning to discuss the audit and drop off the records. The audit should be completed in January.

## b. Correspondence from AAG

Pat Anderson provided a copy of the response from Edward Erickson concerning the questions raised at our last board meeting. Edward advised: 1) the board doesn't need a photo with the licensure application since the board doesn't do any testing of the applicant; 2) the attestation statement on the applications are sufficient and the applicant doesn't need to sign an additional statement that he/she filled out the application; and 3) the draft of our minutes should be made available at the same time as they are completed or provided to Board members. Once the draft of the minutes are emailed to board members a DRAFT copy will be placed on the web site and labeled as DRAFT.

#### c. Audit - Naomi Hass

Pat Anderson reported that Wendy Mankie has reviewed the audit materials submitted from Naomi Hass and everything is fine.

# V. New Business

## a. Correspondence from Pepin Tuma

Betty Larson contacted the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics to obtain a copy of the model practice act. A copy was distributed to everyone present.

## b. Practice Act Discussion

A copy of the practice act was distributed and discussion was held regarding current concerns with the practice act. The end goal of the practice act is the protection of consumers. What needs to be done to strengthen this goal and would changes to the practice act facilitate this? Conclusions from the discussion were that the number of complaints to the NDBODP are minimal and that the complaints coming forth are not within the jurisdiction of the board to take action. It was concluded that the practice act cannot in of itself prevent nutrition misinformation from being disseminated from non-licensed individuals and that our approach at this time shouldn't be to change the law. Rather a proactive approach was discussed to include a strategic plan for communication for consumers, legislators, and colleagues to promote the nutrition experts and what they can do for the public. Megan Myrdal indicated that the next steps for the NDAND will be to connect with their members and legislators. NDAND board members asked if they could be involved in future NDBODP meetings. The meetings are open to the public and anyone may attend however participation is not permitted unless the NDBODP board would invite public comments etc. Linda Schloer thanked the NDAND board members for their attendance and comments today.

# c. Update from Shaundra Ziemann-Bolinske

Shaundra Ziemann-Bolinske reported that she is a member of the reserves and will be deployed beginning Feb. 16, 2018 for one year. Linda Schloer will serve as fiscal chair during her absence. Shaundra Ziemann-Bolinske will provide her active duty email address so that she can be kept in the loop of communication during her deployment.

# **Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting date is to be announced at a later date.

# Adjournment

Brooke Fredrickson moved to adjourn the meeting; Shaundra Ziemann-Bolinske seconded the motion. Those approving the motion were Shaundra, Brooke, and Beth.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Anderson, NDBODP Executive Secretary