

MEAC Board of Directors Meeting		Date: 2018-01-18	
		Time Convened: 10:00am PST	
		Time Adjourned: 11:54 am PST	
		Type of Meeting: Conference call with online screen share	
Attendees (Present Yes/No):			
Board Members			
Karen Ehrlich	Yes	Courtney Everson	Yes
Rachel Hargy	No	Cassandra Jah	Yes
Kristi Ridd-Young	Yes		
Administrative Staff			
Rachael Bommarito	Yes	Amari Fauna	Yes
		Trixi Packmohr	No
		Timberly Robinson	Yes
Guests:			
Notes taken by: Amari Fauna			

Minutes

Agenda Item:	Consent Agenda	Presenter:	Kristi Ridd-Young
Documents:	Budget vs Actual Report (FY 2017-18), Cashflow Statement (FY 2017-18), School Status Report		
Discussion:	None.		
Conclusions:	Karen Ehrlich moves to accept the consent agenda. Henci Goer seconds. Recusals: none. Abstains: none. Opposes: none. Motion carries.		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
✓			
Change to P+P ? no	Change to Handbook? no	Notify public or schools? no	

Agenda Item:	Accreditation: MCU CR 2017-09-25	Presenter:	Karen Ehrlich
Documents:			
Discussion:	<p>Kristi Ridd-Young and Courtney Everson recuse themselves from the meeting.</p> <p>Rachael Bommarito introduces and provides an overview of the compliance report on Benchmark I.C2.</p> <p>The IBR recommends finding the benchmark Met. One IBR recommends Met-2, one recommends Met-3. The ARC recommendation was Met-3. Karen describes the differences in the scores.</p> <p>The Board discusses.</p>		
Conclusions:	<p>Karen Ehrlich moves to accept the Compliance Report on Benchmark I.C2 with a finding of Met-2. Safiya McCarter seconds.</p> <p>Recusals: 2 as noted. Abstains: none. Opposes: none. Motion carries.</p>		

Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
✓ Send Board Report to school.		Rachael Bommarito	
Change to P+P ? No	Change to Handbook? No	Notify public or schools? Yes	

Agenda Item:	Accreditation: NCM MR 2017-06-30	Presenter:	Heidi Fillmore
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Documents:	
Discussion:	<p>Kristi Ridd-Young and Courtney Everson return to the meeting. Cassaundra Jah recuses herself from the meeting.</p> <p>Heidi introduces and provides an overview of the monitoring report on Benchmark I.B1.</p> <p>The IBR recommends a finding of Not-Met with a future Compliance Report.</p> <p>The Board discusses.</p>

Conclusions:	<p>Heidi moves to accept the Compliance Report on I.B1 with a finding of Not-Met for the Associate's and Bachelor's programs. As this Benchmark relates to ongoing program assessment, and the Master's and Doctoral programs are in the process of being terminated, the graduate programs are being exempted from this Compliance Report. Karen Ehrlich seconds. Recusals: 1 as noted. Abstains: none. Opposes: none. Motion carries.</p>
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Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
<p>✓ Note for pnp that there needs to be a mechanism, similar to compliance planning, to bring schools up to date when the standards change during the school's reaccreditation process.</p> <p>✓ Complete Board Report and send to school.</p>			
Change to P+P ?	Change to Handbook?	Notify public or schools?	

Agenda Item:	Accreditation: NCM MR 2017-12-06	Presenter:	Henci Goer, Kristi Ridd-Young
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Documents:	
Discussion:	<p>Cassaundra Jah remains recused.</p> <p>Henci introduces and provides an overview of the monitoring report on Benchmark V.D1.</p> <p>The IBR recommends a finding of Met-2.</p> <p>The Board discusses. Board agrees that even though Florida has joined NC-SARA, MEAC supports NCM's decision not to enroll students in Florida because NCM is not on the Florida Council of Licensed Midwifery's list of approved midwifery training programs. The Board also agrees that the</p>

Board Report to the school should include the following suggestions: (1) MEAC suggests that NCM updates its materials, including student application, to explicitly identify Florida as a not-approved state, and (2) MEAC suggests that NCM materials, including student application, include a short-explanation of the Florida Council of Licensed Midwifery's requirement that candidates for licensure by examination attend a midwifery training program approved by the Council.

Conclusions: Karen Ehrlich moves to accept the Monitoring Report on V.D1 with a finding of Met-2 and the suggestions to update NCM's approved-states list and materials regarding Florida state licensing board requirements. Safiya McCarter seconds.
 Recusals: 1 as noted. Abstains: none. Opposes: none.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Send Board Report to school. ✓ Consider whether MEAC and/or a collection of MEAC-accredited schools should write a letter to the Florida Council of Licensed Midwifery regarding whether out-of-state midwifery schools not currently approved by the Council could become approved in order to meet the need for direct-entry midwifery training in Florida. ✓ Draft a member-schools letter describing the requirements of agencies that regulate midwifery education, such as the Florida Council of Licensed Midwifery. 	Rachael Bommarito	
Change to P+P ? No	Change to Handbook? No	Notify public or schools? Yes

Agenda Item: Executive Director Update **Presenter:** Timberly Robinson

Documents:

Discussion: Cassaundra returns to the meeting.

Outlines current Independent Board Reviewer needs.

Outlines some upcoming web conferences.

Gives update on annual donations received.

Gives reminders of next meeting and schedule for MEAC staff annual reviews.

Q&A regarding Executive Director's written report to Board.

Conclusions:

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Send list of Board Meeting dates for first half of 2018. ✓ Send e-mail informing Board members about dates by which they may submit feedback about accreditation coordinators to be included in their annual performance reviews. ✓ Send URL for IBR sign-up sheet. ✓ Reach out to midwifery sister organizations regarding donations. 	<p>Timberly Robinson</p> <p>Timberly Robinson</p> <p>Amari Fauna Timberly Robinson</p>	
Change to P+P ? no	Change to Handbook? no	Notify public or schools? no

Agenda Item: President Update	Presenter: Kristi Ridd-Young	
Documents:		
Discussion: MEAC has a NACIQI hearing scheduled and will occur before the next Board Meeting.		
Conclusions:		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
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