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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:	BOARD OF NURSING Meeting Minutes
DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	Cannon Building, Second Floor Conference Room A 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, DE 19904
Minutes Approved:	October 9, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

Evelyn Nicholson, President, Public Member
Robert Contino, RN, Vice President, Nurse Education Member
Dianne Halpern, RN Member
Robert Maddex, Public Member
Madelyn Nellius, Public Member
David Salati, RN Member
Tracy Littleton, LPN Member
Delphos Price, APN Member
Mary Lomax, Public Member
Kathy Bradley, LPN Member
Lyron Deputy, RN Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director
Sheryl Paquette, Administrative Specialist III
Patty Davis-Oliva, Deputy Attorney General

MEMBERS ABSENT

Harland Sanders, Jr., Public Member
Pamela Tyranski, RN Member

ALSO PRESENT

Lorena Hartnett, Wilcox and Fetzer
Carol Sando
Yvonne Stringfield
Jodi Dampeer-Moore
Stephanie Evans-Mitchell
Tamala Paxton, DTCC, Owens Campus
Karen Rollo, DTCC, Stanton Campus
Jeke Lekis
Constance Grant
JoAnn Baker
Barbara T. Robinson
Karen Potts
Suzanne Raab-Long

Jamesha Brown
Nicole Addison
Bruce Ricketts
Jeff Woerner
Chris Tease
Connie Bushey
Alicia Wharton

Ms. Nicholson called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. The Board introduced themselves to the public.

REVIEW OF MINUTES (July 10, 2013)

The Board reviewed the minutes of the July 10, 2013 meeting. Mr. Price said on page 2 under Committee Reports, Dr. Fan's name is spelled 'Fan' not 'Fann'. He asked to change the end of the sentence to read, "continue to dialogue with her." Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to approve the minutes as corrected. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Mr. Deputy abstaining.

REVIEW OF MINUTES (August 8, 2013)

The Board reviewed the minutes of the August 8, 2013 meeting. Dr. Contino made a motion, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to approve the minutes as written. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Nicholson, Mr. Price, and Ms. Bradley abstaining.

ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Mr. Deputy, to adopt the agenda. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of the victims from September 11, 2001.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Dr. Zickafoose reported the number and types of active licenses as of September 10, 2013.

Total Active Licenses = 21,029
RN = 16,557
LPN = 3136
APN = 1336
Total permits= 32

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

APN Committee – Mr. Price reported the committee met at the University of Delaware with Senator Hall-Long and Representative Walker attending. The next APN newsletter will be distributed soon, and committee members are contacting the legislators in their districts. The committee plans to continue to move forward with the Consensus Model and to keep the language which would remove the collaborative agreement. The message is that organizations or offices can have an agreement but it is not needed for licensure purposes. Seventeen states have adopted the Consensus Model with total independent practice. Rhode Island was the most recent state to pass legislation.

AWSAM Committee – Dr. Zickafoose reported for Ms. Tyranski that the committee will be meeting September 24th. On the agenda will be the consideration of medication administration via the enteral route. The curriculum committee continues to work on revising the curriculum. An error report is being

developed, as well as statutory and regulatory language. The online medication course was approved for DDDS to use with AWSAM.

Practice and Education Committee – Dr. Contino reported the committee members reviewed the application and supporting documentation for the new Delaware Skills Center LPN Refresher Program and all members agreed it was a very comprehensive program. He made a motion to approve this new program, stating this would provide a refresher in northern Delaware. Ms. Nicholson commented because it was a motion from the committee, no second was needed. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Nicholson said she has been appointed as a Public Member to the Joint Practice Committee. Dr. Zickafoose said Mr. Price is on the Committee, and recently Ms. Sandra Robinson from the Board of Pharmacy was appointed to the Committee as well.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Zickafoose provided a written report (attached) and discussed each point with the Board.

NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD **LICENSEE APPLICATION REVIEWS**

By Examination

Stephanie Pokoiski, GN – Ms. Pokoiski graduated from Wesley College on May 9, 2009. Ms. Pokoiski's CBC shows Receiving Stolen Property Under \$1500 on 5/23/11 (Rule 15.3.24). Ms. Pokoiski answered question #19 with a "yes" which refers to disclosure of criminal offenses. Her explanation says "Misdemeanor in 2005, offensive touching, got into fight with an ex-boyfriend, no longer see each other" but nothing about stolen property. A letter of explanation was submitted, along with disposition paperwork and two letters of reference. Ms. Davis-Oliva further explained the issue. The Board discussed Ms. Pokoiski's many attempts to pass the NCLEX exam that resulted in a failing grade. Mr. Price asked, since her CBC showed a date of 2009, why she had not come before the Board before today. He was told that the rules changed in 2011 and that is why the matter is coming up now. Ms. Halpern asked if she needed to take a refresher course since she has been out of school since 2009 and Dr. Zickafoose said she had taken one. Mr. Salati made a motion, seconded by Mr. Maddex, to Propose to Deny with the right of the applicant to a hearing. By majority vote, the motion passed, with Dr. Contino and Mr. Deputy abstaining.

Michele Rose, GN – Ms. Rose graduated from DTCC, Dover, DE in May 2013. Ms. Rose's CBC shows Shoplifting Under \$500 on 4/9/1998. Ms. Rose answered question #19 with a "yes." Her explanation says "Felony Theft – See attached." She was convicted on 4/12/06. The matter was probated for 10 years but her term ended after 6 years, 11 months. A letter of explanation was submitted, along with disposition paperwork and two letters of reference. Ms. Davis-Oliva further explained the issue. Dr. Contino made a motion, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to grant a waiver to Ms. Rose to allow her to sit for the NCLEX exam. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Joanne Wescott, GN – Ms. Wescott graduated from Delaware State University on May 23, 2010. She's outside the two-year rule. She took the boards on 7/29/10, 12/16/10, 3/18/11, 12/8/11, and 7/17/12, and failed 5 times. Her petition to test states she completed the RN NCLEX review material from Kaplan, Saunders and has been tutored. She passed the NCLEX on 8/23/13. Ms. Davis-Oliva further explained the issue. Mr. Price made a motion to require either a refresher or a supervised practice plan, seconded by Ms. Halpern. By unanimous vote the motion carried. Upon further investigation, it was

determined the Board has no statutory authority to require a refresher or supervised practice plan for licensure by examination applicants. Licensure was granted.

By Endorsement

Michelle Derosa, RN – Ms. Derosa is an RN who does not meet the practice requirement. She graduated from the Philippines on March 1995 (18 years ago). She took the exam and passed on February 7, 2010. She had not practiced as an RN because she moved to Pennsylvania in 2012 and recently received her RN license in California on February 14, 2013. Ms. Davis-Oliva further explained the issue. Dr. Contino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Maddex, for her to do a Supervised Practice Plan. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Letisia Velasquez, LPN – Ms. Velasquez is applying for licensure by endorsement. She received a LPN license from Texas on October 2, 2012 which is still active. Her CBC showed a possession of Marijuana charge (less than 2 ounces) on 4/20/07 from TX. Ms. Velasquez answered question #25 with a 'yes'. The reason she gave on her application was, "possession of marijuana in 2007, misdemeanor. Family domestic dispute September 15, 2003 as a minor (charges were dropped)." A letter of explanation was submitted, along with disposition paperwork and two letters of reference. Ms. Davis-Oliva further explained the issue. Ms. Halpern said her license expired on August 31, 2013 and her Texas license had also expired. Mr. Price noted that her application was dated July 24, 2013 and the Board did not have a meeting until today; therefore, her application was still okay to come under the endorsement category. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Mr. Deputy, to grant a waiver for licensure to Ms. Velasquez. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Ernst Hellriegel, RN – Mr. Hellriegel graduated from Diakonie Anstalten, Krankenpflegeschule (Germany) in March 1971. An order from the Pennsylvania Board of Nursing Examiners signed December 31, 1985 stated he diverted Demerol while employed at Temple University Hospital and falsified records to conceal this. The order called for revocation, which was stayed in favor of probation. His PA license is active but expires on 4/30/15. He answered 'yes' to question #18 regarding previous discipline and listed 'Pennsylvania' as to where this occurred. Ms. Davis-Oliva further explained the issue. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Ms. Halpern, to grant a waiver for licensure to Mr. Hellriegel. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

By Reinstatement

Kelli Spiering, RN -- Ms. Spiering answered 'yes' to question #13 regarding criminal offense and listed 'TX, 2005' as to where and when it happened. She added, "There is no paper work. I was on probation for one year only because I was convicted of a crime in 1995 for forgery of a check." Ms. Davis-Oliva further explained the issue. Dr. Contino noted it had been 18 years since the forgery and she has worked as a nurse in Delaware on a compact licensure since that time. Dr. Contino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Price, to grant a waiver to Ms. Spiering for licensure. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Joyce Harvey, RN – Ms. Harvey answered 'yes' to question #16 regarding previous criminal offenses. She stated, "1986 Retail Theft – summary offense plead guilty," as her explanation of the question. Ms. Davis-Oliva said possibly the charge was expunged, was accidentally under the wrong name, or possibly just didn't show up. She said it was not on the criminal background report. Mr. Price said Ms. Harvey needs to disclose why she answered this way. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Mr. Maddex, to Propose to Deny licensure for Ms. Harvey with the right of the applicant to a hearing. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Mr. Salati voting no.

Advanced Practice Nurse

None

Renewal

None

COMPLAINT ASSIGNMENTS/ASSIGNED BOARD CONTACT PERSON

Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to ratify the following complaint assignments given to the respective Board contact person. By unanimous vote, the motion passed.

11-61-13 (Littleton)	11-62-13 (Lomax)	11-63-13 (Bradley)	11-65-13 (Deputy)
11-66-13 (Nellius)	11-67-13 (Sanders)	11-68-13 (Tyranski)	11-69-13 (Halpern)
11-70-13 (Halpern)	11-71-13 (Bradley)	11-72-13 (Bradley)	11-73-13 (Bradley)
11-74-13 (Bradley)	11-75-13 (Bradley)	11-79-13 (Halpern)	

CLOSED COMPLAINTS

Closed complaints do not need a vote; they are for information only to get into the record.

Dismissed by the Attorney General's Office.

11-84-12 11-79-12

Closed Investigations by the Division of Professional Regulation – None

HEARINGS/CONSENT AGREEMENTS – RATIFICATION & SIGNATURE

Consent Agreement(s)

Heather Blanch – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis of it. Mr. Deputy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Halpern, to reject the consent agreement on the basis that the disciplinary action is not severe enough. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Mr. Salati recusing.

Crystal Goerlitz, LPN – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis of it. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Mr. Deputy, to reject the consent agreement on the basis that the disciplinary action is not severe enough for the offense committed. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Mr. Maddex recusing.

Florence Besem, LPN – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis of it. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Mr. Salati, to reject the consent agreement on the basis that the disciplinary action is not severe enough for the offense committed. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Littleton recusing.

Michelle Harrison, LPN – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis of it. Ms. Nicholson pointed out there were no statements to return the license to be marked for probation, to notify her employers or if the order is violated further discipline could be imposed. Ms. Davis-Oliva stated the board had the authority to further discipline without it be written in the order. Ms. Halpern made a motion, seconded by Mr. Price, to reject the consent agreement on the basis that the disciplinary action is not severe enough for the offense committed. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Bradley recusing.

Melissa Salazar, LPN – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis and stated the board could not impose a fine as it is outside their jurisdiction. Mr. Salati made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to reject the consent agreement on the basis that the sanction is not severe enough for the offense committed. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Cheryl Andisik, RN – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis of it. Ms. Nicholson requested the pages be numbered. It was noted there was no CE required. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lomax, to reject the consent agreement. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Halpern recusing.

Louise McCann, LPN – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis of it. Mr. Salati noted there were 78 instances cited and he made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lomax, to reject the consent agreement on the basis that the recommended discipline is too lenient for the offense committed. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

MaFuantem Morfaw, LPN – Board members reviewed the Consent Agreement and Ms. Davis-Oliva gave a synopsis of it. Dr. Contino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Deputy, to reject the consent agreement on the basis that the recommended discipline is too lenient. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Halpern recusing.

Hearing Panel Findings/Decisions/Orders

None

Hearing Officer Recommendations

Diann Kohute, LPN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Davis-Oliva describing the sanctions. Board members felt Ms. Kohute was not honest on her renewal application regarding the amount of CE's she earned. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Mr. Deputy, to accept the Hearing Officer Recommendation and to add a letter of reprimand for deceiving the Board by falsifying information on her application. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Diana Stewart, LPN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Davis-Oliva describing the sanctions. Ms. Halpern made a motion, seconded by Mr. Maddex, to accept the Hearing Officer Recommendations as written. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Mr. Deputy recusing.

Kimberly Mifflin, LPN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Davis-Oliva describing the sanctions. Mr. Salati made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to accept the Hearing Officer Recommendations as written. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Nellius recused.

Denise Harper, RN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Davis-Oliva describing the sanctions. Mr. Salati made a motion that the Hearing Officer's Recommendation be changed to reflect a three year suspension, immediately stayed for three years of probation, during which time any medication error or any disciplinable offense will result in the immediate imposition of the suspension for the term. The motion also included the requirement that the order be shared with Ms. Harper's employer and that the employer understands and agrees that they must immediately inform the Board through the Executive Director of any such triggering event. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Bradley and Ms. Littleton recusing.

Alexis Miranda, RN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Davis-Oliva describing the sanctions. Mr. Price said he would like to add CEU's to his suspension, as well as drug testing. He said the Board needs to see negative drug screens. Ms. Davis-Oliva said the recommendation states that Mr. Miranda get a substance abuse evaluation and follow the recommended treatment from that evaluator. Mr. Price suggested that 6 CE's in Ethics and 6 CE's in Drug Abuse be added to the recommendation; in addition to the 30 CE's already required. Dr.

Zickafoose suggested the Board go by what the treatment provider recommends at that time for the probationary period, but continue with random drug screens for the term of the probation once Mr. Miranda is employed. Dr. Lomax said he would need a refresher course if this takes him to the five year mark. Mr. Price agreed but said if he comes back at three years he won't need one. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to accept the Hearing Officer Recommendation with modifications; that in addition to the recommended discipline, there will be an added requirement that at the time Mr. Miranda seeks to have his suspension lifted he be required to show 6 contact hours in Ethics and 6 contact hours in Substance Abuse. At the time that he requests to have the suspension lifted, if the Board of Nursing so determines, his license will be placed on a period of probation for not less than two years, at which time the Board retains the jurisdiction to impose whatever restrictions it feels necessary, but they must at least include that Mr. Miranda comply with the recommendations of the substance abuse evaluator and continue to undergo random drug screens. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Nicholson and Mr. Deputy recusing.

Maia Michaels-Griffiths, RN & LPN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Davis-Oliva describing the sanctions. She said both of Ms. Michaels-Griffiths licenses were suspended on May 12, 2011 by the Board and both suspensions could have been converted to probation but she never met any of the conditions in the Board Order. Ms. Michaels-Griffiths worked while her licenses were suspended for 8 months up until January 1, 2012. The recommended discipline is that her licenses remain suspended until May 12, 2017 and not have those sanctions lifted until she demonstrates that she has met all the terms and conditions of the original order. Ms. Davis-Oliva said the Board was previously given a Consent Agreement for Ms. Michaels-Griffiths which was rejected. The Consent Agreement had recommended an additional year of suspension, once she had served the original suggested five years. Ms. Nellius asked if there had been an appeal previously and Ms. Davis-Oliva said there was; however, Ms. Michaels-Griffiths didn't ask for a stay so the Board Order stayed in effect as of the date it was signed. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Mr. Maddex, that the Board revoke both the RN and LPN licenses of Ms. Michaels-Griffiths. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Mr. Deputy recusing.

The Board took a recess from 2:43 p.m. until 2:50 p.m.

DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS - September 11, 2013

Hearing minutes follow the regular Board minutes.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

SB114 Chaperone Bill implementation

Ms. Davis-Oliva reported she had discussions with the Deputy Attorney General for the Department of Education regarding the new law and the definitions for disrobing and partial disrobing. The two attorneys collaborated on guidance that was to be shared with all school nurses. Mr. Salati stated there were questions in the ED at CCHS from the SANE nurses. Ms. Karen Rollo addressed the board from the audience stating she was a SANE nurse and there is a consent form parents sign. The parent is allowed to be present during the SANE examination but it is preferable the parent is not present.

SB119 Controlled Substance implementation

Dr. Zickafoose said an email went out to all the Advanced Practice Nurses in Delaware from the Board of Pharmacy that limits controlled substance dispensing to 72 hours.

SB59 PMP Registration Implementation (Prescription Monitoring Program)

Dr. Zickafoose said SB59 states that Advanced Practice Nurses must register with the Prescription Monitoring Program by January 1, 2014.

REVIEW OF COMPLIANCE

Jacquelyn White, RN – Dr. Zickafoose informed the Board that Ms. White received a consent agreement by the Board signed in January 2005, where she was placed on probation for 18 months. Her record was then submitted into the NURSIS system. The stipulations of the order stated Ms. White had to submit quarterly performance evaluations. Dr. Zickafoose said she received those quarterly reports and feels Ms. White is in compliance and should be removed from probation. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to lift Ms. White's probation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Joyce Tuxward, LPN – Dr. Zickafoose informed the Board that Ms. Tuxward received a consent agreement signed January 11, 2012 due to a disciplinary issue. She was disciplined with probation for one year which should have ended January 2013. She was also required to submit a self evaluation report, as well as a supervisors report. Both of those reports were received and reflected positive information. Ms. Tuxward was to complete 6 hours of CE with 3 in Ethics and 3 in Medication Administration and Documentation. Both were completed. Dr. Zickafoose recommends her probation be lifted. Mr. Deputy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius, to restore Ms. Tuxward's license unencumbered. By majority rule, the motion carried, with Ms. Littleton recusing.

The question was asked by Ms. Nicholson if Dr. Zickafoose could restore licenses for any nurses that are compliant with their Board orders, without bringing the cases to the Board for review based on delegated authority previously awarded. Board members agreed that she could and decided that nurses who are compliant and have their licenses restored will be noted on the next agenda for the Board's information only.

PRACTICE WITHOUT LICENSURE REVIEWS

None

PRACTICE ISSUES

None

EDUCATIONAL ISSUES

Delaware Skills Center Faculty Request – Dr. Contino said a faculty request was submitted for Mr. Kenneth Anderson who has a Bachelors of Science degree, an Associates degree, and a Master's degree, all in Nursing; therefore he meets the qualifications as a faculty member. Mr. Price made a motion, seconded by Ms. Halpern, to approve the faculty request from Delaware Skills Center for Mr. Kenneth Anderson. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Delaware State University Acting Chairperson – Dr. Contino said Ms. Nicholson received a letter for the Board of Nursing dated July 23, 2013 to serve as official notification that Dr. Carol Sando, Assistant Professor, is the Acting Chairperson of the Department of Nursing at Delaware State University. Dr. Contino stated she meets the requirements for the acting Chairperson of the Department of Nursing at Delaware State University. Ms. Halpern made a motion, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to approve the request. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

DTCC Stanton, Chairperson – Dr. Contino read a notification from DTCC, Stanton Campus, that Dr. Patricia Welch resigned her position. Dr. Karen Rollo has been appointed as Chairperson for the Stanton Campus and she meets the requirements for Chairperson. Dr. Contino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Salati, to approve the faculty request from DTCC for Dr. Karen Rollo. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Leads Faculty Request – Dr. Contino read a request from Leads School to approve Mr. Ezekiel O. Osundina as faculty. Dr. Contino said Mr. Osundina meets the requirements and he moved to approve the request. Mr. Maddex seconded the motion. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Polytech ACEN Accreditation – Dr. Contino congratulated Polytech on their ACEN Accreditation and explained the NLNAC has changed their name to ACEN. Polytech received initial accreditation for five years.

Neumann University Clinical Notification – Dr. Contino said he received notification that Neumann University will be doing clinical education at Delaware facilities. They submitted all documentation including clinical contracts and faculty licenses. They were approved last year as well.

Substance Use Disorder Mandatory CE – Dr. Zickafoose reported the incidence of substance use disorder cases is increasing and the board sees this on a monthly basis. She recommended mandating three hours of CE in substance use disorder for license renewal for RNs and LPNs and board members agreed this was a good idea. Dr. Contino commented that mandatory CE in certain areas is a good thing but they should not be required to take the same course year after year. Mr. Deputy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to implement a new rule requiring 3.0 CE's for substance use disorder included as part of the regular CE hours for renewal. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

LICENSURE ISSUES

Ashley Wyatt, RN – Dr. Zickafoose stated that Ms. Wyatt came to see her last week. Her original license was issued in 2009. It was suspended 8/3/10 for diversion and a consent agreement was signed 9/8/10 for three years suspension, which could be lifted after two years. A hearing was held 7/17/12 to lift the suspension. The Board granted her probation for two years concurrent with employment and the stipulation she not perform any clinical practice for the first 12 months, and no medication administration for the probationary period. Ms. Wyatt reinstated her license in February 2013. Ms. Wyatt now states she cannot find a job due to the restrictions that were placed on her license and she is asking the Board to reconsider the clinical restriction. After much discussion by the Board, Dr. Contino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Deputy, to keep the current consent agreement in effect with Ms. Wyatt's right to request a hearing regarding the issues of her previous order. By majority vote, the motion passed, with Ms. Littleton recusing.

NCSBN

Dr. Zickafoose said both she and Dr. Contino attended the annual meeting held in August 2013. Information regarding the annual meeting has been addressed in the written report attached to these minutes.

LICENSEE RATIFICATION

Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Mr. Deputy, to ratify the licensee list. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. The ratification list is attached at the end of the minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Students (names not given) attending the meeting stated the meeting was very informative and they were happy to see the Board holding nurses accountable for their actions. Ms. Tammy Paxton thanked the Board for their time and efforts. Ms. Karen Rollo said she supports the recommendation for CE's earned for substance use disorder. Ms. Carol Sando thanked the Board for their approval for her appointment as acting Chairperson for the Delaware State University Nursing Program.

Ms. Littleton said the DTCC Corporate Center is offering a free class for active military, veterans, and spouses to become home health aides. She said it is a three-week program running from November 11th through December 4th.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

October 9, 2013 - 9:00 a.m.
861 Silver Lake Blvd., Cannon Building, Conference Room A, Dover, DE 19904.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Pamela C. Zickafoose, EdD, MSN, RN, NE-BC, CNE
Executive Director, Delaware Board of Nursing

HEARING MINUTES

HEARING – Bruce Ricketts, GN

The Delaware Board of Nursing held a hearing on September 11, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room A, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Suite 203, Dover, Delaware.

PRESENT: Evelyn Nicholson, Robert Contino, Robert Maddex, Dianne Halpern, Madelyn Nellius, David Salati, Tracy Littleton, Delphos Price, Mary Lomax, Kathy Bradley, Lyron Deputy

RECUSED: None

EXCUSED: Harland Sanders, Pamela Tyranski

PURPOSE: Propose to Deny

PRESIDING: Evelyn Nicholson, President

BOARD STAFF: Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director
Sheryl Paquette, Administrative Specialist III

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE BOARD: Patty Davis-Oliva, DAG

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE:

RESPONDENT: Bruce Ricketts

COUNSEL FOR THE RESPONDENT: None

WITNESSES FOR THE STATE: None

WITNESSES FOR THE RESPONDENT: None

COURT REPORTER PRESENT: Lorena Hartnett, Wilcox and Fetzer

TIME STARTED: 11:06 a.m.

The recorder took verbatim testimony. The Board members introduced themselves. Ms. Davis-Oliva described the reason for the hearing and confirmed Mr. Ricketts was present. Ms. Davis-Oliva marked copies of Mr. Ricketts Proposal to Deny letter and supporting documentation as Board's Exhibit #1 collectively. Mr. Ricketts was sworn in at 11:12 a.m. and gave a statement into the record. Mr. Ricketts said he didn't deny any of the charges. He said it was a tumultuous period in his life where he had reckless drug use and made poor decisions. He said he became 'clean' in 2008 and has been that way for 5 ½ years. He has been in a substance abuse program and is active in his fellowship. Mr. Ricketts described going back to school in 2009, attending DTCC, Owens Campus, in Delaware. He said he had made healthy changes in his life. He is currently trying to get a pardon and expungement for his crimes. Mr. Ricketts submitted letters of recommendation from his pastor, fellow nurses in his profession, and instructors. He also submitted an article written about him from the Sussex County Post describing how he saved a young man's life using CPR at a baseball game. All these documents were entered and marked as Applicant's exhibit #1.

Dr. Contino said the Board was concerned because he was charged with lying to the police three different times. He said the Board holds integrity and honesty very highly. He asked Mr. Ricketts to explain how he has moved beyond that. Mr. Ricketts stated integrity and honesty were not traits of his back then. He said he is now 'showing up' and being accountable. Mr. Price congratulated him on his sobriety. He asked him if he would be agreeable to doing intermittent drug screens and Mr. Ricketts said he would. The Board began deliberations at 11:40 a.m. and at 11:41 a.m. Mr. Deputy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Littleton, to grant Mr. Ricketts a waiver to sit for the exam. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. The Board went off the record and the hearing concluded at 11:43 a.m. Dr. Contino left the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

HEARING MINUTES

HEARING – Jeffrey Woerner, RN

The Delaware Board of Nursing held a hearing on September 11, 2013, at 11:44 a.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room A, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Suite 203, Dover, Delaware.

PRESENT: Evelyn Nicholson, Robert Maddex, Dianne Halpern, Madelyn Nellius, David Salati, Tracy Littleton, Delphos Price, Mary Lomax, Kathy Bradley, Lyron Deputy

RECUSED: Robert Contino (left the Board meeting at 11:43 a.m.)

EXCUSED: Harland Sanders, Pamela Tyranski

PURPOSE: Propose to Deny

PRESIDING: Evelyn Nicholson, President

BOARD STAFF: Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director
Sheryl Paquette, Administrative Specialist III

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE BOARD: Patty Davis-Oliva, DAG

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE: None

RESPONDENT: Jeffrey Woerner

COUNSEL FOR THE RESPONDENT: Christopher Tease

WITNESSES FOR THE STATE: None

WITNESSES FOR THE RESPONDENT: None

COURT REPORTER PRESENT: Lorena Hartnett, Wilcox and Fetzer

TIME STARTED: 11:44 a.m.

The recorder took verbatim testimony. The Board members introduced themselves. Ms. Davis-Oliva described the reason for the hearing and confirmed Mr. Woerner was present. Ms. Davis-Oliva marked copies of Mr. Woerner's Propose to Deny letter and supporting documentation as Board's Exhibit #1 collectively. Mr. Tease introduced himself as Mr. Woerner's attorney. Mr. Tease gave his statement at 11:50 a.m. Mr. Tease said Mr. Woerner let his nursing license expire because he felt his life was complicated and also because his child was ill at the time; however, he wants to get back to being a nurse now. He said Mr. Woerner has done drug evaluations through a DUI program. Mr. Woerner was sworn in at 11:53 a.m. He gave a statement into the record and was questioned by the Board. Mr. Tease submitted Mr. Woerner's discharge summary from Connections CSP, Inc. as evidence, which showed a successful completion of the program. The discharge summary was entered as Applicant's Exhibit #1. Mr. Tease gave a closing statement. The Board started deliberations at 12:08 p.m. and at 12:10 p.m. Mr. Maddex made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lomax, to grant a waiver for Mr. Woerner to have his license reinstated. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. The Board went off the record and the hearing concluded at 12:15 p.m.

The Board of Nursing meeting was recessed from 12:15 p.m. until 1:10 p.m. for lunch.

HEARING MINUTES

HEARING – Mary Shortall Wharton, RN

The Delaware Board of Nursing held a hearing on September 11, 2013, at 1:13 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room A, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Suite 203, Dover, Delaware.

PRESENT: Evelyn Nicholson, Robert Contino, Robert Maddex, Dianne Halpern, Madelyn Nellius, David Salati, Tracy Littleton, Delphos Price, Mary Lomax, Kathy Bradley, Lyrone Deputy

RECUSED: None

EXCUSED: Harland Sanders, Pamela Tyranski

PURPOSE: Lift Probation

PRESIDING: Evelyn Nicholson, President

BOARD STAFF: Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director
Sheryl Paquette, Administrative Specialist III

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE BOARD: Patty Davis-Oliva, DAG

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE:

RESPONDENT: Mary Shortall Wharton

COUNSEL FOR THE RESPONDENT: None

WITNESSES FOR THE STATE: None

WITNESSES FOR THE RESPONDENT: None

COURT REPORTER PRESENT: Lorena Hartnett, Wilcox and Fetzer

TIME STARTED: 1:13 p.m.

The recorder took verbatim testimony. The Board members introduced themselves. Ms. Davis-Oliva described the reason for the hearing and confirmed Ms. Wharton was present. Ms. Davis-Oliva marked copies of Ms. Wharton's Board Order and documentation provided by her to Executive Director Dr. Zickafoose over the past year as Board's Exhibit #1 collectively. Dr. Zickafoose was called as a witness and sworn in at 1:17 p.m. Dr. Zickafoose submitted reports from Mr. William Singleton, a certified drug and alcohol counselor who saw Ms. Wharton monthly and reported her progress. Dr. Zickafoose summarized the results from these reports and explained that Ms. Wharton asked that they be submitted as evidence. Dr. Contino asked Dr. Zickafoose if it is her opinion that the Board lifts Ms. Wharton's probation and she said, "Yes it is." Ms. Wharton had no questions for Dr. Zickafoose. The Board deliberated at 1:22 p.m. After deliberations Ms. Bradley made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lomax, to lift the probation on Ms. Wharton's license. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. The Board went off the record and the hearing concluded at 1:25 p.m.

Ms. Davis-Oliva asked the Board if they would like to leave the decision up to Dr. Zickafoose in the future whether or not to lift someone's probation. She said if Dr. Zickafoose feels it would be the Board's inclination to deny the request, then it would be placed on the agenda for Board review. After a brief discussion by the Board, Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lomax, to give delegated authority to the Executive Director to decide in advance of the Board meeting, whether or not to lift probation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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L2-0012068	Bacchus, Romona Khan	L2-0012122	Bangura, Fatu K.
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L2-0012070	Gachani, Samuel N.	L2-0012124	Chew, Marcy L. Lockard
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L2-0012073	Wiley, Danielle N. Gawronski	L2-0012127	Ceaser, Keisha K. Walker
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Christina Malatesta	CRNA
Holy Samaniego	CRNA
Ashley Swauger	CRNA
Richard Gosling	CRNA
Bruce Kilpatrick	CRNA
Mikyung Chung	CRNA
Lucien Morin	Psych/Mental Health NP
Joyce Southers	Psych/Mental Health NP
Gegory Cooper	Psych/Mental Health NP
Yvonne Taylor	Psych/Mental Health NP
Salvatore Salfi	Psych/Mental Health NP
Toni McMillen	Adult NP
Roane Taylor	FNP
Melanie Hiester	FNP
Ema Ndi	FNP
Daisey Medina-Kreppein	FNP
Allison Jurgaitis	FNP
Kathy Alexander	FNP
Kyle Phillips	FNP
Anne Caswell	FNP
Julia Jordan	FNP
Kimberly Wash	FNP
Stefanie Barnes	Nurse Midwife
Samantha Miller-Hall	Pediatric CNS
Jenna Logan	Acute Care NP

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Family Nurse Practitioner

Achenchi, Pamela
Cooper, Carla
Estes, Tracy
Soto, Cherie
Massaquoi, Patrick
Delesio, Jodie
Fowler, Dawn
McEvoy, Chelsea
Alexander, Kathy
Asiyo, Elizabeth
Gabrielli, Eileen
Bryant, Deborah
Caswell, Anne
Hiester, Melanie
Phillips, Kyle
Jurgaitis, Allison
Ndi, Ema
Ngaima-Wilson, Abbey

Psychiatric/Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist

Corey, Susan
Benson, Rebecca
Southers, Joyce
Cooper, Gregory

Adult/Geriatric Nurse Practitioner

MacDonald, Helena
McMillen, Toni Ann

Acute Care Nurse Practitioner

Eyegue-Sandy, Katherine
Jacobs, Tara
Logan, Jenna

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Executive Director's Update
September 2013

I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. It surely went by too fast!! As fall approaches, we have many new initiatives in the Division of Professional Regulation. Before I get to those initiatives I would like to present a few kudos. First, as you can see above, we are using our new logo. We are in the process of transitioning thousands of documents to include this cutting edge logo. Second, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sheryl Paquette for achieving 20 years of service to the State of Delaware, and to thank her for all the time and effort she devotes to the Board of Nursing and Team A. Third, I would like to thank Patty Davis-Oliva for providing a comprehensive Board Liaison training program two times this past month for the ASII staff in the Division. This training was desperately needed since there are so many new people working with us. Lastly, I will provide updates from our staff meeting and the initiatives going on "behind the scenes." The Division has hired three new investigators and there are several positions in Info Center, OPS, Investigations, and Team A that are open and we are in the process of hiring. We plan to hire a full-time board liaison for Team A instead of a part-time person. Hopefully this will stabilize our revolving door!

One change for all Boards in the Division is that we are no longer going to go "off the record" for deliberations of any kind (e.g. discipline hearing, hearing officer recommendations consideration or regulation hearing). There was a Supreme Court decision that requires a record of deliberations be available in case a person appeals the decision of a Board. Therefore, if we have a court stenographer present for hearings, they will continue transcription during deliberations. If there is no stenographer, we will make an audio recording of the proceeding. In the event and audio recording is necessary, members will need to state their name prior to making a comment during deliberations. That way the transcriptionist can make an accurate record of the deliberations. DAGs or DPR staff will remind members to state their name for the record. We will also try to organize our meeting agenda to review Hearing Officer Recommendations when other hearings are scheduled.

Another change for all Boards in the Division is that we will only assign complaints to a Board member if that particular case needs professional expertise. There has been a 28% increase in the number of complaints and we are handling more and more cases. Many times a board contact is not needed. We are collecting more data and I will provide additional information on this new policy when available.

The e-verification upgrade is completed and hopefully we will not experience as many down-times with the system. We will be getting new desk top computers and they will have Windows 2007 and MS Office 2010 versions. Several staff members have volunteered to test the new equipment prior to implementing across the Division. Jennifer is the Team A "guinea pig!" Thank you Jennifer!

The Division of Long Term Care Residents Protection (DLTCRP) has a new criminal background process called the Background Check Center (BCC). This was obtained from a grant and the purpose is

to house CBC and drug screen information for all workers and students who provide care in the long term and home care environments. Eventually, the goal is to tie the Division of Professional Regulation licensure database into this system. All nursing schools must use this system in order to take students to LTC clinical settings.

We have been working diligently to develop policies and implement our 3rd party vendor for the Voluntary Treatment Option program. I have invited Reliant Behavioral Health (RBH) to present to the Board of Nursing at the October meeting. They will provide an overview of the program and answer any questions you may have. October is when the program will be operationalized. I am very excited as I believe we are putting many good processes into place and our program will be even better than it has been. In addition, I am working on the Institute of Regulatory Excellence (IRE) project which focuses on substance use disorders in nursing. A policy change recommendation for the Board to consider is whether you are willing to mandate at least 3 hours of substance use disorder continuing education for nursing licensure renewal. I suggest we make a regulatory change to include this requirement for each renewal period for both RNs and LPNs. The NCSBN has an excellent online program called "Confronting Colleague Chemical Dependency" that provides 3.3 contact hours of CE. The course costs \$30 but I plan to explore whether we could offer it at a reduced rate as part of my IRE project. I personally completed this online course and found it to be very informative. My review of the literature is due October 1st for the IRE project and I will keep you updated on my progress.

The NCSBN Annual Meeting was very informative. Bob and I prepared a synopsis for you. In addition, I was appointed to chair a new committee on remote state practice for nurses who either have discipline or are participating in an alternative to discipline program who request to work in another state. Currently, these nurses receive a "valid in DE only" license and our NLCA policy requires them to seek permission from both the home state and the remote state to practice outside their home jurisdiction. The purpose of this committee is to develop uniform communication for this process.

Last but not least, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you, as members of the Board of Nursing, for the time and dedication you share with us monthly and in between regular meetings for hearings, committee work, and consultation. I know it is a lot of work just preparing for one meeting a month, especially considering the meeting includes all the difficult and unusual regulatory issues and cases, but each of you consistently participate in our mission every month. I really appreciate your expertise and I want to personally thank each of you for your service. We could not operate and would not exist without you!

Respectfully Submitted,

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NCSBN Annual Meeting
Providence, Rhode Island
August 4-16, 2013

Dr. Robert Contino and Dr. Pamela Zickafoose attended the annual meeting as delegates for the Delaware Board of Nursing. This year, the NCSBN celebrated its 35th Anniversary. There was a luncheon in honor of Elaine Ellibee, RN (1924-2012) who served as the first president of NCSBN from 1978-1979. She was the Executive Officer from the Wisconsin Board of Nursing. In honor of the 35th Anniversary, NCSBN donated \$135,000 to the Foundation of the National Student Nurses' Association (FNSNA) and \$35,000 to the Florence Nightingale International Foundation for its Girl Child Education Fund (GCEF). The theme for this year's conference was "Illuminating the Past: A Beacon for the Future." The illustration was a lighthouse which was very appropriate for Rhode Island. This symbolizes that "the work of today is the history of tomorrow" (Juliett Gordon Low) and celebrates our past while looking toward a vibrant and exciting future of the organization.

Highlights of the Delegate Assembly included:

- Electing candidates to fill open positions on the Board of Directors;
- Approval of Associate Memberships for: Association of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland & Labrador; College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Manitoba; and the Nursing & Midwifery Board of Ireland;
- Amendments to the Bylaws
- Acceptance of a new Member Agreement with NCSBN whereby the fee for membership was omitted;
- Acceptance that the fee for membership in the Nurse Licensure Compact would increase to support NLC business;
- Approval of the NCLEX-PN Test Plan ;
- Updates from the standing committees of NCSBN such as the APRN Committee, CORE Committee, IRE Committee, etc.

The Executive Officer meeting discussed the EO Forum which was held in July and the plans for the upcoming meeting in November to discuss borderless licensure issues. Other topics included regulation of non-nurse midwives, the APRN Compact language, fraudulent documents from Haiti, Criminal Background Checks, and resources posted to the Wiki.

At the presidents meeting some discussions were continued on several topics raised at the mid-year meeting. This highlighted for me the fact that we need to be represented at these meetings. We need to participate and be aware of the discussions as they are occurring.

The major issue discussed during the President's meeting was a proposal sent by several western states (Oregon being one) to ANA from their state nurse's associations. This proposal relates to licensure and nurses practicing across state lines (such as with telehealth). They (the State Nurse's Associations) was seeking the support of ANA in their position that "nursing practice occurs where the nurses is and not where the patient is physically located." Their position is that when they are on the phone or computer with a patient the patient is being "brought to them." At the current time the ANA has delayed a decision on this issue by sending it to committee with their board of governors for further review and discussion. The feeling of those in the room while it is National Council through the local state boards of nursing that regulates nursing, the ANA has a very powerful lobby and may

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influence this issue. The NCSBN position is that practice occurs where the patient is so this is in direct conflict with the ANA. Overall, the meeting was very informative and enjoyable!

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Contino and Pam Zickafoose