



Board of Nursing

December 21, 2023 at 8:00 AM
7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH

Attendance

Members Present:

Chair - Samantha O'Neill (SO), Vice-Chair - Joni Menard (JM), Matthew Kitsis (MK), Melissa Tuttle (MT), Melissa Underhill (MU), Dwayne Thibeault (DT), Jennifer Thibeault (JT), Maureen Murtaugh (MM) *via Zoom*

Members Absent:

Michele Melanson Schmitt, Wendy Stanley Jones

Staff Present:

Michael Gianunzio, Board Administrator, Terese Barton, Board Administrator; Elizabeth Eaton, Esq., OPLC Board Counsel, Rahkiya Medley, Esq., OPLC Board Counsel

The following applies to all Non-Public Sessions.

All Non-Public Sessions are recorded as follows for the purpose of board business and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3, II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, RSA 326-B: 38 Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous poll vote of all members present and included all members listed above.

And

Motion to keep minutes of the non-public session confidential from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and/or to render the proposed action ineffective and/or is not subject to public disclosure pursuant to RSA 236-B: 38. However, forty-eight hours after the mailing of any order, its respective vote shall automatically become public in accordance with RSA 326-B: 38.

Upon motion of DT seconded by JT, the Board voted to commence the **1st non-public session** at 8:36 a.m. and ended at 9:25 a.m.

Motion to come out of non-public was made by DT, and seconded by MK, by unanimous roll call vote.

Upon the motion of DT, and the second of MK, the Board voted to keep minutes of the non-public session confidential from public disclosure. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

Upon motion of JT, seconded by MU, the Board voted to commence the **2nd non-public session** at 9:49 a.m. and ended at 1:26 p.m.

Motion to come out of non-public was made by MT, and seconded by MK, by unanimous roll call vote.

Upon the motion of MT, and the second of MK, the Board voted to keep minutes of the non-public session confidential from public disclosure. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order and convened at 8:08 AM by Samantha O'Neill, Chair, with quorum present.

Motion:

Upon a motion by MT, with a second by MK, the Board voted to approve remote participation by MM, as attending the meeting in person is not practicable due to reasons related to health; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote. **Abstained:** MM

II. Approval of Minutes

A. November 16, 2023

Motion:

Upon a motion by JT, with a second by MK, the Board voted to approve the minutes as amended; motion passed.

III. Public Appearances

A. Ashley Prunk, LNA Applicant - Adjudicative Hearing

Motion:

Hearing proceeded at 9:30 AM and concluded at 9:45 AM. Upon a motion by MU, with a second by MT, the Board voted to recommend approval of the application for licensure; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote. **Recused:** MK

IV. Board Administrator Updates

A. NCSBN Legislative Update - Informational

B. Board Counsel Legislative Update

Elizabeth Eaton, Esq. provided an overview of current legislation and will gather input from the Board to ensure the Board is able to respond to legislation.

V. Education

A. River Valley Community College Program Request

Motion:

Upon a motion by JM, with a second by DT, the Board voted to accept the recommendation and approve the program for 2 years; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

B. PMC, PRH and Frisbee Nurse Extern Proposal

Motion:

Upon a motion by DT, with a second by MT, the Board voted to accept the recommendations; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

C. Harmony Health Care

Motion:

Upon a motion by DT, with a second by JT, the Board voted to accept the recommendation; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote. **Recused:** SO

D. Beth Israel Lahey Health Exeter Hospital LNA Training Proposal

Motion:

Upon a motion by MU, with a second by MT, the Board voted to accept the recommendation; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

VI. Practice and Education

VII. Clinical Inquiry

A. When does the Board approve training programs, specifically the LPN IV therapy training? There are 3 approved through the Board and 2 of them are non-existent. Answer – question would be submitted through Lynne Theuner or Stacy Nachman.

VIII. Rules and Legislative Topics

A. NUR 200 - Rules Hearing

The Board of Nursing held a public rules hearing regarding Nur 200 beginning at 8:20 am and ending at 8:35 am. There were no public present, and no one provided oral testimony at the hearing.

B. NUR 100-300-400-500 - Draft Review – Tabled to the January 25, 2024 meeting

C. NUR 600-800 - Initial Proposal – Tabled to the January 25, 2024 meeting

IX. Non-Public Session

X. Resume Public Session

A. Seal Minutes from Non-Public Session

XI. Adjournment

Motion:

At 1:27 p.m., upon a motion by JM, with a second by DT, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting; motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.