



Board of Nursing Home Administrators Public Minutes

Nursing Home Administrators Board
Aug 23, 2023 at 1:30 PM EDT

Attendance

Board Members Present:

Chair – Lynn Carpenter (LC), Antony Lindardo (AL), Mark Bonica (MB), David Ross (DR)

Board Members Not present:

Anne Howe (AH), Heather Moquin (HM), Meghan Linehan (ML)

Staff Present:

Michael Gianunzio, Board Administrator; Elizabeth Eaton, Esq., Board Counsel; Jessica Whelehan, Rules Liason

I. Call to Order

Motion:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:40 pm

II. Approval of Public Minutes from June 26, 2023

Motion:

Upon a motion by AL, with a second by DR the Board voted to approve the minutes as amended; unanimous

III. New Business

A. Rule Discussion - Emergency Permits for Acting Administrators (NUH 305)

1. Serious concerns that the current rule poses serious risk to public safety as currently written.
2. Issuing permits to persons without any qualifications is dangerous.
3. When we compare the requirements for what is required for licensure vs. Emergency Permit there is a wide gap.
4. The process can be addressed in rule. Currently the rule is being interpreted that licensing has the authority to issue the license.
5. The permit is being requested by the facility but is issued to the person.
6. 304.04 – References someone who has completed their AIT and just hasn't had time for the examination and references an Temporary Permit. We're talking about 305.

7. Statute states under Emergency Conditions “may” issue an Emergency Permit. This conflicts with the rules as the law does not break it out but the rules do. In Statute under the licensing section for emergency permit it does not talk about temporary.
8. Requests for sequential permits could require a remediation plan or show cause hearing.

IV. Licensure

A. New Applications

1. Brandy Carstarphen

New Application

3 of the references are over 12 months old but not from the date of the application.

Motion:

Upon a motion by DR, with a second by AL the Board voted to approve the application and sit for the exam; unanimous

2. Ann Gromstein Rosas

New Application

No dates on the references

Motion:

Upon a motion by DR, with a second by AL the Board voted to approve the application and sit for the exam; unanimous

3. Dennis Carlson

Equivalency of experience

Motion:

Upon a motion by AL, with a second by DR the Board voted to approve the application; unanimous

4. Joseph Vance

Equivalency of experience

The Board is questioning why he has been allowed to sit for the exam if he had not yet gone before the Board.

Did we reach out to NAB to confirm if the licensee truly cannot get the license?

Motion:

Upon a motion by AL, with a second by MB the Board voted to initiate a Show Cause hearing on this application.

5. Alfonso Vazquez

Equivalency of Experience

Motion:

Upon a motion by AL, with a second by DR the Board voted to approve the application; unanimous

6. Paula Margeneau

Incomplete

Motion:

Upon a motion by DR, with a second by MB the Board voted to deny the application as incomplete.

V. Non Public Session

Motion to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential 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, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Motion:

Upon a motion by LC, with a second by AL the Board voted to initiate non public session.

VI. Resume Public Session

Motion:

Upon a motion by LC, with a second by MB the Board voted to enter Non Public session; unanimous

VII. Seal Minutes of Non Public Session

Motion to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91- A: 3 III, that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present

Motion:

Upon a motion by LC, with a second by AL the Board voted to seal the minutes from the Non Public Session; unanimous

VIII. Adjournment

Motion:

Upon a motion by XX, with a second by XX the Board voted to adjourn the meeting; unanimous