

NH BOARD OF NURSING
PUBLIC MINUTES
September 24, 2020
Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order and convened at 8:03 a.m. by Tracey Collins, Chair, with quorum present.

The following board members were present for all or part of the meeting: Chair, Tracey Collins (TC), Vice Chair, Samantha O'Neill (SO), Somer Andrews (SA), Wendy Stanley Jones, (WSJ), Jeanne Donohoe (JD), Beth Fersch (BF) and Maureen Murtagh (MM)

The following board members were absent: Gene Harkless (GH) and Melissa Tuttle (MT)

All items were roll called. If vote was other than in the affirmative it is so reflected.

The following board staff present for the meeting: Lindsey Courtney, (LBC), Director, Elaine Bonner (EB), Administrative Assistant, Margaret Dolfini, RN/APRN Program Specialist, Lynne Theuner, LNA/MNA Program Specialist

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.

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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 WSJ seconded by SA, the Board voted to commence the **1st non-public session** at 9:37 a.m. and ended at 12:01 p.m.

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

Upon the motion of WSJ and the second of JD, 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 WSJ, seconded by JD, the Board voted to commence the **2nd non-public session** at 12:05 p.m. and ended at 1:14 p.m.

Motion to come out of non-public was made by SO and seconded by BF, by unanimous vote.

Upon the motion of SO and the second of BF, 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.

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56 **1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ATTENDANCE SHEET**

57 1.3 Appearance

58 1.3.1 NHPHP Dr. Garhart provided an update on her new staff, that she is holding live meetings with
59 social distancing and that the board can use NHPHP as a source of information.

60 **2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

61 2.1 Public Minutes

62 2.1.1 August 27, 2020 - A motion was made by WSJ and seconded by SO to accept the minutes as
63 written as corrected. Motion passed.

64 **5.0 EDUCATION**

65 5.1 LPN/RN

66 5.1.1 Great Bay Community College Analysis of Contributing Factors for Failed NCLEX-RN
67 Benchmark – The documents were reviewed and discussed. WSJ made a motion, seconded by JD to accept
68 the report as submitted. Motion passed.

69 5.1.2 Great Bay Community College 2020 Annual Report – A motion made by WSJ, seconded by SO to
70 approve the 2020 Annual Report as written. Motion passed.

71 5.1.3 Colby Sawyer College Accreditation Visit April 11-13, 2022 – Informational, TC will do the
72 College visit with Board staff. Motion passed.

73 5.1.4 River Valley Community College LPN Nursing Program – The documents were reviewed and
74 discussed. WSJ made a motion, seconded by JD to accept proposals to approve satellite sites at Keene
75 State, in Lebanon and at Lakes Region Community College, to schedule a site visit at the Lebanon campus
76 only and waive site visits at Keene State and Lakes Region Community College, and extend the submission
77 deadline for the program’s first annual report to January 31, 2020, as written. Motion passed.

78 5.2 LNA

79 5.2.1 Utilization of Technology – A motion made by SO, seconded by WSJ to ultimately the programs
80 will not utilize online technology for clinical hours. Programs are encouraged to find alternate sites that
81 will allow students. If not available to present the course in the usual manner, Programs are encouraged to
82 utilize the Federal Regulation that allows the first 16 hours of clinical to be completed in LTC or in a
83 simulation lab, then proceed to a facility that an LNA would usually be employed in. The last resort is the
84 utilization of technology to complete clinical hours. Programs must present to the Board a breakdown of
85 clinical hours and how they would be handled with a Zoom type presentation. Coordinators must identify
86 how many hours will be done in simulation, what the students will be doing during the simulation
87 time. This information will need to be presented to the Board for approval prior to implementation. Motion
88 passes.

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91 5.2.2 Request from Vermont Technical College – A motion made by WSJ, seconded by SO that
92 Vermont Technical College will be contacted and informed that the Board will allow graduates of their
93 program to sit for the NH LNA test if the Vermont Technical College program mirrors the requirements of
94 NH LNA programs. Motion passed.

95 5.2.3 MNA Program at Coos County Nursing Hospital - The documents were reviewed and
96 discussed. JD made a motion, seconded by SA to accept program as written. Motion passed.

97 5.2.4 LNA Program at RiverMead - The documents were reviewed and
98 discussed. JD made a motion, seconded by SA to accept program as written. Motion passed.

99 5.2.5 Portsmouth Regional Hospital LNA Program – A motion by JD, seconded by SA to invite the
100 program to withdraw their application until they are able to produce all required documentation. Motion
101 passed.

102 5.2.6 River Valley Community College LNA Program @ Cheshire Hospital – A motion made by WSJ,
103 seconded by JD to give final approval to program. Motion passed.

104 **7.0 ADJUDICATIVE (INVESTIGATOR/PROSECUTOR)**

105 7.1 Hearings

106 7.1.1 Elizabeth Vozzella, RN – Appearance - Motion made by SO and seconded by SA to issue a
107 temporary license and that she continues with NHPHP. Motion passed with a quorum.

108 7.1.2 Erin Jacques, LPN – Appearance - Motion made by SO and seconded by SA to approve licensure.
109 Motion passed with a quorum.

110 7.1.6 Christina Lowe, LNA – Appearance - Motion made by BF and seconded by SO to approve
111 licensure. Motion passed with a quorum.

112 7.1.7 Zachary Erickson, LPN – Appearance - Motion made by SA and seconded by JD to approve
113 reinstatement of licensee. Motion passed with a quorum.

114 7.1.8 Nikita Allen, LNA – Show Cause Hearing started at 12:59 pm and ended at 1:04 pm. A motion
115 made by SA and seconded by JD to approve reinstatement of licensee. Motion passed with a quorum.

116 7.1.9 Kimberly O’Neill, RN – Appearance - Motion made by SO and seconded by SA to approve
117 licensure. Motion passed with a quorum.

118 **10.0 CLINICAL PRACTICE**

119 10.1 Clinical Inquiries

120 10.1.1 Lisa Dore, BSN, RN – A motion made by BF, seconded by MM that the question submitted was
121 determined to be outside of the scope of practice of a LNA. Motion passed.

122 10.2 Clinical Committees

123 10.2.1 Practice & Education Committee Minutes 9/3/20 – After review a motion was made by WSJ,
124 seconded by SA to accept the following recommendations:

- Replace the ANA decision tree for RN delegation with the NCSBN and ANA Joint Delegation National Guidelines (2019) as written.

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- In regard to the question, “Can an RN administer Botox for medical conditions such as migraine H/A’s?”, recommendation is to refer to the Position Statement and Clinical Practice Advisories regarding the role of the RN in medication related processes.
 - In regard to the question, “Can an RN use Tonopen to check patients’ pressure?” recommendation is to consider tonometry within the scope of an RN or LPN, provided that the nurse has received training and has facility policies in place. Motion passed.

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134 **12.0 ADJOURNMENT**

135 At 1:26 p.m., upon motion by SO, which was seconded by BF, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to
136 adjourn the public meeting.

137 **Next Regular Board Meeting: October 22, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.**

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