

NH BOARD OF NURSING
PUBLIC MINUTES
October 22, 2020
Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order and convened at 8:00 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), Melissa Tuttle (MT), Gene Harkless (GH), Maureen Murtagh (MM) and Melissa Underhill, (MU)

The following board members were absent: Beth Fersch (BF)

The following board staff present for the meeting: Elaine Bonner (EB), Administrative Assistant, Margaret Dolfini, RN/APRN Program Specialist, Lynne Theuner, LNA/MNA Program Specialist, and Ashley Czechowicz, Administrator

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 SO seconded by SA, the Board voted to commence the **1st non-public session** at 12:00 p.m. and ended at 1:30 p.m.

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

Upon the motion of GH 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 2:25 p.m. and ended at 4:45 p.m.

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

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

All vote motions were passed by roll call vote.

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55 **CALL TO ORDER / ATTENDANCE SHEET**

56 1.3 Appearance

57 1.3.1 NHPHP Dr. Garhart provided an update regarding NHPHP. Dr. Garhart requested that the board
58 office update licensee information quicker and NHPHP concerns about the confidential mechanism for self-
59 referrals currently requiring a single-state NH license.
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61 **2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

62 2.1 Public Minutes

63 2.1.1 September 24, 2020 - The Board discussed the minutes as written. A motion made by SO,
64 seconded by JD to approve as written via roll call vote.

65 2.3.2 October 9, 2020-Emergency Minutes - The Board discussed the minutes as written. A motion
66 made by SO, seconded by JD to approve as written via roll call vote.

67 2.3.4 October 16, 2020-Emergency Minutes - The Board discussed the minutes as written. A motion
68 made by SO, seconded by JD to approve as written via roll call vote.
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70 **4.0 REPORT OF BOARD ADMINISTRATOR/STAFF**

71 4.1 Board Administrator/Staff

72 4.1.1 Robert King – Board review the letter from Mr. King and would like to have a letter written
73 thanking for the positive thoughts and would like to encourage Mr. King to share his letter with all staff.
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75 **5.0 EDUCATION**

76 5.2 LNA

77 5.2.1 Site Visit, River Valley Community College - After discussion a motion made by GH seconded by
78 SO approved for utilizing site at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center.

79 5.2.2 Responses from Vermont Technical College - After discussion a motion made by SO seconded by
80 WSJ allowed to instruction NH LNA students in Vermont program.

81 5.2.3 Approval of Portsmouth Regional Hospital LNA Program - After discussion a motion made by
82 WSJ seconded by SA with TC/SO recused approval to operate.

83 5.2.4 Approval of Cheshire Hospital LNA Program - After discussion a motion made by JD seconded
84 by SA approved to operate.

85 5.2.5 Request from Med Pro Educational to Conduct Virtual Course - After discussion a motion made
86 by GH seconded by SO to utilize a virtual component in their MNA course.

87 5.2.6 LNA Health Careers Request for Simulation MNA Course - After discussion a motion made by
88 WSJ seconded by GH with MM recused to utilize a simulation component in their MNA course.
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90 **7.0 ADJUDICATIVE (INVESTIGATOR/PROSECUTOR)**

91 7.1 Hearings

92 7.1.1 Jeffrey Elliott, LPN - Disciplinary Hearing proceeded at 9:00 am. A motion was made by GH,
93 seconded by WSJ to dismiss. Motion pass with a quorum via roll call vote with SO, SA and JD voting No.
94 Hearing concluded at 9:48 am.

95 7.1.3 Khrista McDonald, LPN – Show Cause Hearing proceeded at 11:03 am. A motion was made by
96 SA seconded by SO to deny request for reinstate of license from a voluntary surrender noting not enough
97 evidence from Ms. McDonald. Motion pass with a quorum via roll call vote and concluded at 11:05 am.

98 7.1.5 Jeffrey Grenier, LNA – Emergency Hearing proceeded at 1:35 pm. A motion was made by
99 GH, seconded by WSJ to revoke license. Motion pass with a quorum via roll call vote and concluded at
100 2:20 pm.

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101 **10.0** **CLINICAL PRACTICE**

102 10.1 **Clinical Inquiries**

103 10.1.1 COVID Testing and LNA Scope of Practice – After discussion GH made a motion seconded by
104 SA to allow within the scope of LNA practice. Motion passed.

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106 10.2 **Clinical Committees**

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108 10.2.1 Practice & Education Committee Minutes – After review a motion was made by GH seconded by
109 WSJ to approve minutes. Motion passed.

110 10.2.2 Practice & Education Committee Self-Nomination - After review a motion was made by WSJ
111 seconded by JD to approve minutes. Motion passed.

112 **12.0** **ADJOURNMENT**

113 At 4.46 p.m., upon motion by SA, which was seconded by SO, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to
114 adjourn the public meeting.

115 **Next Regular Board Meeting: November 19, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.**

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