

**MINUTES
PUBLIC SESSION
BOARD OF NURSING
January 21, 2016**

MEETINGS/INTERVIEWS/HEARINGS WITH THE BOARD:

1:00 P.M. – Robin Nichols. Discussion regarding reinstatement of license.

1:15 P.M. – Erika Cook, LNA. Discussion on application for licensure.

1:30 P.M. – Kristie Bergdoll. Discussion on application for licensure.

1:45 P.M. – Joseph Freeman. Discussion on application for licensure.

2:00 P.M. – Public hearing for Nur 400 (various sections) and Nur 501.04(c). **See 4.1.**

3:15 P.M. – Leah Landino. Discussion on application for licensure.

2.0 Approval of minutes

2.1 Regular meeting minutes. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Wiggin, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved as amended. Unanimous.

2.2 Emergency Minutes from Jan 8, 2016. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Wiggin, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved. Unanimous.

2.2.1 A. Bates, LPN. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Wiggin, seconded by Ms. Palmieri, approved. Unanimous.

2.2.2 C. Day, LNA. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, approve voluntary surrender of license. Unanimous.

2.2.3 M. Marloe, RN. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, approved. Unanimous.

3.0 Report of Chair/Members

Ms. Kidder reported on SB576 regarding opioid prescribing. The APRN Liaison Committee will meet again in a couple of weeks.

Review of the Practice and Education Committee minutes from the January 12, 2016 meeting. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, approved as amended. Unanimous.

4.0 Report of Executive Director/Staff

4.1 Public meeting Nur 400 (various sections) and Nur 501.04

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Finn-Waddell, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, open hearing at 2:06 P.M. Ms. Fortin closed the hearing at 2:35 P.M. after public comment. The Board voted unanimously to approve the initial proposal.

4.2 Hosana College of Health, Inc. - Request for PN Licensure- discussion.

Anita Pavlidis reported the following: This is a for profit school in Florida. The Massachusetts Board of Nursing no longer approves this program – students cannot take the NCLEX in Massachusetts. After discussion with Board Counsel, the Board determined that the 11 applicants applying for a New Hampshire license are enrolled in an illegal program in Massachusetts and do not meet New Hampshire requirements for testing for the NCLEX. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Finn-Waddell, seconded by Ms. Petrin, pursuant to RSA 326-B:17, V and RSA 326-B:32, IV, deny testing to these 11 applicants as they do not qualify to test in NH.

Unanimous. On motion of Ms. Finn-Waddell, seconded by Ms. Petrin, pursuant to RSA 326-B:38, I, share the information, as part of the investigative process, regarding these 11 applicants with the Massachusetts and Florida Boards of Nursing. If the Attorney General’s Office in Massachusetts requests the information, Board will share with them also. Unanimous.

4.3 Initial Proposal revisions for Nur 100, 300, 400, 600, 700, 800.

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Fersch, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, approve initial proposal of Nur 100-800. Ms. Kidder opposed. All others concurred.

4.4 Nur 600 Preliminary Response Objection Text. Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Kidder, voted to adopt. Unanimous.

5.0 Attorney General

5.1 Inquiry to AG regarding COA fee

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Smith, remove \$10.00 change of address fee from the rules. Unanimous.

6.0 Report of Investigator/Prosecutor

6.1 Open files

Ms. O’Connor discussed cases that are still pending. One case involves criminal matters and the hearing will be scheduled for the March meeting.

8.0 Adjudicative (Executive Director)

8.1 Requests for Reinstatement, Removal of Probation, Restrictions, Modifications or Conditions

8.1.1 Robin Nichols, APRN Appearance

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, deny license. Board found the licensee’s statement in support of reinstatement to be non-credible and inconsistent. Unanimous.

8.1.2 Joseph Freeman Appearance

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Finn-Waddell, remove probation from Mr. Freeman’s license. Ms. Fersch opposed. All others concurred.

CLINICAL PRACTICE

9.1 Licensure issues- APPEARANCE

9.1.1 Kristie Bergdoll

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Petrin, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, deny license. Unanimous.

9.1.2 Leah Landino

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, approve license. Unanimous.

9.1.3 Erika Cook

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Finn-Waddell, approve for licensure. Unanimous.

9.2 **Licensure- Non Appearances:** Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Wiggin, seconded by Ms. Finn-Waddell, approved for licensure. Unanimous.

9.2.1 Ashley Foss

9.2.2 Stephanie Roy

9.2.4 Sara Debonis

10.0 Education

10.1 LRG HC LPN IV TX Course

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, approved. Unanimous.

10.1.2 Salter School LPN IV TX Course

Board Action: 1/21/16 – FYI. File.

10.1.3 RN Refresher Program

Board Action: 1/21/16 – Board discussed the issue of only having 2 on-line programs and one in-person program in New Hampshire. Ms. Palmieri will discuss concerns with the NHONL for possible recommendation to increase clinical site availability.

10.1.4 Deans and Directors Orientation

Board Action: 1/21/16 – Ms. Pavlidis reported to the Board that she has quarterly meetings with the Deans and Directors and there has been discussion on formalizing a mentoring program.

10.2.1 Hearts and Minds LNA program

Board Action: 1/21/16 – Ms. Brody indicated this program has closed.

10.2.2 Kennett HS LNA program

10.2.3 Concord Regional Technical

10.2.4 Clinical Career Training

10.2.5 Salter School

10.2.6 Salem Technical

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, approved 10.2.2, 10.2.3, 10.2.4, 10.2.5 and 10.2.6. Unanimous.

10.2.7 NCLEX Scores – January 2016.

Board Action: 1/21/16 – Board discussed the scores for 2016. On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, invite St. Joseph School of Nursing and Harmony Health to come before the Board with a corrective plan. Board office will send letters to Keene State College and Plymouth State University confirming appearance at the February Board meeting and indicating the Board's continuing concern regarding substandard scores and limiting student enrollment. Unanimous.

11.0 Practice Inquiries and Practice Committee Reports

11.1 Can an LPN pack a nose for a nose bleed?

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Finn-Waddell, seconded by Ms. Palmieri, yes, an LPN can pack a nose for a nose bleed. Unanimous.

11.1.2 Scope of Practice Question: Can LPN's remove sutures or staples?

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Wiggin, Board voted that LPN's can remove sutures and staples. Unanimous.

12.0 Legislation

12.1 Legislation requiring a BON member: SB 439

Board Action: 1/21/16 – On motion of Ms. Kidder, seconded by Ms. Finn-Waddell, Board voted to appoint Ms. Palmieri to attend meetings of the Commission to study the shortage of nurses for pediatric home health services. Unanimous.

12.2 SB 329 Revision of Nurse Licensure Compact

Board Action: 1/21/16 – Ms. Nies reported on the bill.

15.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.