

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
89 MAIN STREET, 3rd FLOOR, MONTPELIER, VT
BOARD OF NURSING
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
December 10, 2018**

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:07AM by Ellen Watson — Chair

Board members present: Ellen Watson, William White, Kelly Sinclair, Jill Duell, Douglas Sutton, Luana Tredwell, Deborah Swartz, Virginia Hudson, Jeanine Carr, Ad-Hoc Member.

Board members absent: Jennifer Laurent

Staff members present: Phyllis Mitchell, Nursing Board Executive Director; Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel; Stephen Reynes, Hearing Officer; Michael Kupersmith, Hearing Officer; Kristin Donnelly, Licensing Administrator I; Ellen Leff, Case Manager.

Prosecuting Attorneys: Jennifer Colin, Elizabeth St. James

Guests: Jessica Nadeau, Adrienne Borek, Michael Blanchard, Megan O'Brien, Beth Kneen

2. Changes and Additions to the Agenda:

A request to approve corrected Board Orders for cases 2018-59 and 2016-102 was added prior to the meeting.	
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3. Approval of Minutes:

Deborah Swartz made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jill Duell seconded.	Pass
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4. Summary Suspensions/Hearings/Modification of Conditions:

2018-98	Borek, Adrienne was present. The preliminary denial was reviewed. The Board went into deliberation at 10:16 and reconvened at 10:28. William White moved to issue an unencumbered license to RN Adrienne Borek. Jill Duell seconded.	Pass
2018-120	Grigsby, Leanne was not present. The Request for Summary Suspension was reviewed. Deborah Swartz moved to summarily suspend the license of RN Leanne Grigsby. Jeanine Carr seconded.	Pass

5: Stipulations/Default Orders:

2018-102	Lancetta, Michael appeared via telephone. The Preliminary Denial was reviewed. The Board went into deliberation at 11:20 and reconvened at 11:35. Jeanine Carr moved to deny the license application of RN Michael Lancetta . Douglas Sutton seconded.	Pass
2015-140	Weaver, Marcie was not present. Jill Duell moved to continue the matter at a future meeting when all parties are able to appear. Luana Tredwell seconded.	Pass
2018-57	Manyweather, Donna was not present. Jeanine Carr moved to ACCEPT the proposed REPRIMAND of the license of LPN Donna Manyweather . Jill Duell seconded.	Pass
2018-62	Hanlon, Teresa was not present. Deborah Swartz moved to indefinitely suspend the license of LNA Teresa Hanlon . Jeanine Carr seconded.	Pass
2010-21	Greenspon, Lisa was not present. William White moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER to REPRIMAND and CONDITION the license of RN Lisa Greenspon . Douglas Sutton Seconded.	Pass
2018-73	Poulos, Richard was not present. Jeanine Carr moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER to REPRIMAND and CONDITION the license of LNA Richard Poulos . Jill Duell seconded.	Pass
2018-121	Parsons, Marley was not present. Jeanine Carr moved to ACCEPT the proposed VOLUNTARY INDEFINITE SUSPENSION of the license of LPN Marley Parsons . Jill Duell seconded.	Pass
2018-59	Gagner, Alison was not present. Typographical corrections to the original Default Order were reviewed. Douglas Sutton moved to ACCEPT the proposed SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER for indefinite suspension of the license of LNA Alison Gagner . William White seconded.	Pass
2016-102	Tucker, Jennifer was not present. Virginia Hudson moved to ACCEPT the CORRECTIVE ORDER to amend (§2(A)(2)) and (§2(A)(8)) of the Board Order . Virginia Hudson seconded.	Pass

6. Administrative, Education, Practice, and Licensure:

Executive Director's Report:

Phyllis Mitchell reviewed the November 2018 Executive Director Report with Board members present.

7. Education:

Nursing Education Committee:

The Committee met on November 16, 2018. Deborah Swartz presented the Nursing Program Annual Reports to the Board for review:

- **University of Vermont** – Virginia Hudson moved to continue approved status of the Nursing programs. Deborah Swartz seconded. Motion passed.
- **Vermont Technical College**- Virginia Hudson moved to continue approved status of the Nursing programs. Luana Tredwell seconded. Motion passed.
- **Castleton University** – Douglas Sutton moved to continue approved status of the Nursing program. William White seconded. Motion passed.
- **Norwich University** – Douglas Sutton moved to continue approved status of the Undergraduate Nursing Program. Virginia Hudson seconded. Motion passed.
Virginia Hudson moved to continue approved status of the Graduate Nursing program. Douglas Sutton seconded. Motion passed.
- **Southern Vermont College** – Jeanine Carr moved to continue approved status of this Nursing program. Virginia Hudson seconded. Motion passed.

Nursing Assistant Education and Practice Committee:

The Committee met on November 8, 2018. The transition to American Red Cross for LNA testing is going well. Phyllis Mitchell informed the Committee that DAIL has taken over regulatory responsibilities for Nursing Assistant programs in Vermont and the Nursing Program Manager position will not be filled.

LNA Programs:

- **Vermont MedEd – Wake Robin** – Jeanine Carr moved to continue approved status for the Nursing Assistant program. Douglas Sutton seconded. Motion passed.
- **Vermont MedEd – Helen Porter** – Jeanine Carr moved to continue approved status for the Nursing Assistant program. Douglas Sutton seconded. Motion passed.
- **Windham Regional Career Center** – Douglas Sutton moved to approve the Nursing Assistant program. Virginia Hudson seconded. Motion passed.
- **Cedar Hill Continuing Care (Adult)** -- Douglas Sutton moved to continue approved status for one (1) year. Ellen Watson seconded. Motion passed.

MNA Programs:

North Country Technical & Career Center – Jeanine Carr moved to continue approved status for the Medication Nursing Assistant program. Douglas Sutton seconded. Motion passed.

6. Practice

APRN Sub-Committee:

-The Sub-Committee met on November 14, 2018. The group reviewed and discussed a question from a CRNA regarding ketamine infusion for the treatment of refractory depression. After discussion, the Sub-Committee agreed that diagnosing psychiatric conditions is not appropriate for a CRNA, but the administration of ketamine would fall within their scope of practice.

-NCSBN has scheduled the APRN Roundtable for April. The Sub-Committee plans to send one member to participate in the event.

-A Sub-Committee member also shared that NBCRNA has eliminated the requirement for supervised clinical practice as part of their CRNA refresher program.

Practice Committee:

The Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

Alternative Program Committee:

The Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

7. Other Business:

- Ellen Watson presented a summary of the 11/30/18 Board of Nursing retreat:
 - The enforcement and adjudication process was reviewed with General Counsel, as well as the VT Rules of Civil Procedure. The group agreed having more context on legal issues was helpful and can help inform Board decisions for disciplinary cases.
 - Participants discussed Administrative Rules and how the Board can best approach rulemaking to eliminate redundancies. The rulemaking process is expected to begin in January 2019 with the goal of having revisions completed by the end of Summer 2019.
 - The 2019 OPR Bill does not include Nursing-specific provisions. The proposed removal of APRN transition to practice will only be included if there is consensus amongst all interested parties.
 - Strategic planning will focus on four categories: Criminal background checks, administrative rules, compact licensure, and continuing competency.
- 2018 Annual Reports for the Practice and Alternative Program Committees were reviewed. Douglas Sutton reported that the Practice Committee would like to amend their charter to move meetings to an ad-hoc schedule. Phyllis Mitchell will draft a revision to the Practice Committee charter and present it to the Board for review.
- The status of Board Committees was discussed. Deborah Swartz moved to disband the Nursing Assistant Education Program Committee. Douglas Sutton seconded. Motion passed. Present Board members agreed the remaining Committees could move to an ad-hoc basis, with the exception of the APRN Sub-Committee.

Adjournment: Douglas Sutton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 PM. William White seconded. Motion passed.

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