

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
SALLY FOX CONFERENCE CENTER, WATERBURY, VT
BOARD OF NURSING
APPROVED MINUTES
April 11, 2016**

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Jeanine Carr – Chair at Office of Professional Regulation, 89 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Montpelier, VT; Board members present: Jeanine Carr, Virginia Hudson, Ellen Watson, Douglas Sutton, John Welch, Jr., William White, and Jennifer Laurent. Staff members present: Phyllis Mitchell – Executive Director, Ellen Leff - Case Manager, Larry Novins– Board Attorney, Lauren Hibbert, Elizabeth Jarvis, and Rachel Allen- Prosecuting Attorneys; John Lewis – Investigator; George Belcher – Hearing Officer, Michelle Lavoie - Administrative Assistant, Jennifer Silverwood – Administrative Assistant; Others present; Students from Norwich University, Castleton University and Southwestern College; ; Others present: Jessica Pirani, Mary Hackett, Marcie Weaver, Catherine Knight and Melvin Neisner Jr., Esq; Present by telephone – Shelley Mackay.

2. Changes and Additions to the Agenda: None

3. Approval of Minutes:

D. Sutton moved to approve the minutes of March 14, 2016 with changes

Pass

4. Disciplinary Proceedings:

2016-44 Misty Morgan was not present. J. Carr moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant **Misty Morgan**.

Pass

2016-38 Jessica Pirani was present. The Board went into deliberative session at 10:00am. The meeting resumed at 10:12. E. Watson moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant **Jessica Pirani** .

Pass

2016-101 Melissa Kilburn was not present. J. Welch moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Registered Nurse **Melissa Kilburn**.

Pass

2015-557 Amy Vickers was not present. J. Welch moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Registered Nurse **Amy Vickers**.

Pass

2016-72 Jennifer Oakley was not present. J. Welch moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Registered Nurse **Jennifer Oakley**.

Pass

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| 2014-526 | Jennifer Muchler was not present. J. Welch moved to postpone until Lauren Hibbert is present. | Pass |
| 2015-273 | Audra LaMothe was not present. J. Welch moved to CONDITION the license of Registered Nurse Audra LaMothe . | Pass |
| 2012-379 | Donna Maynard was not present. E. Watson moved to REINSTATE and CONDITION the license of Licensed Practical Nurse Donna Maynard . | Pass |
| 2014-658 | Dennise Demers was not present. V. Hudson moved to accept the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER the license of Registered Nurse Dennise Demers . | Pass |
| 2015-356 | Michelle Dunne was not present. J. Welch moved to WARN the license of Michelle Dunne . | Pass |
| 2015-5 | Irma Chezhiya was not present. J. Welch moved to REPRIMAND AND CONDITION the license of Registered Nurse Irma Chezhiya . | Pass |
| 2014-261 | Mary Hackett was present. E. Watson moved to DENY MOTION FOR STAY | Pass |
| 2015-377 | Suzanne Mashteare was not present. J. Welch moved to accept the default and INDEFINITELEY SUSPEND the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant Suzanne Mashteare . | Pass |
| 2015-69 | Brittany Fredette was not present. J. Carr moved to accept the default and WARN the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant Brittany Fredette . | Pass |
| 2014-487 | Amy Longtin was not present. J. Welch moved to accept the default and WARN the license of Licensed Practical Nurse Amy Longtin . | Pass |
| M2012-487 | Vicki Garza was not present. D. Sutton moved to REMOVE CONDITIONS on the license of Registered Nurse Vicky Garza . | Pass |

CLOSING REPORTS:

J. Welch moved to recommend that the following complaints be concluded without charges.

- 2015-230 D. Sutton recused
- 2015-265

- 2015-309
- 2015-355 E. Watson recused
- 2015-436
- 2015-454
- 2015-482 D. Sutton recused

Pass

OTHER DISCIPLINARY ITEMS:

- Current Discipline Cases – March 31, 2016 – The Board received and reviewed the current discipline cases and quarterly statistics with E. Leff.

5. Administration, Education, Practice, Licensure:

Executive Director's Report: P. Mitchell gave the Executive Director's report to the Board for review.

Bill H.559 Exemption from Licensure for Visiting Team Physicians – The Board reviewed the request and declined to endorse without the language that added nurses to the bill.

Public Comments: There were no public comments

6. Education:

Education Committee: The Education Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

Nursing Assistant Education and Practice Committee: The Nursing Assistant Education and Practice Committee met on March 31, 2016.

- The Board reviewed the Annual NAEP 2015 first/second pass rate

LNA Programs

- Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Care (Biennial Review) – J. Welch moved to **APPROVE** the Biennial Review for Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Care. **Pass**
- The Vermont Veteran's Home (New Program) – D. Sutton moved to **APPROVE** the New Program for The Vermont Veteran's Home. **Pass**
- Bennington Health and Rehab (Annual Review) – V. Hudson moved to **APPROVE** the Annual Review for Bennington Health and Rehab. **Pass**
- Gill Odd Fellow's (Annual Review) – D. Sutton moved to **APPROVE** the Annual Review for Gill Odd Fellow. **Pass**

7. Practice

Practice Committee: The Practice Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

APRN Sub-Committee: The APRN Sub-Committee met on February 17, 2016.

- The APRN Sub-Committee voted APRN Chair remain the Executive Director.
- The APRN Sub-Committee discussed the Treat Act and their Support
- The APRN Sub-Committee discussed Position Statement and Rationale.
- Concern APRN Sub-Committee had about prescribing opioids in long term care facility – benzopianzipine/using PRNs as scheduled.

8. Adjournment:

J. Carr moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 PM.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Lavoie, Licensing Board Specialist

Draft minutes reviewed by: Phyllis Mitchell, Executive Director

Draft minutes approved by Vermont Board of Nursing: