



# **Board of Nursing**

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## **UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

**June 10, 2024  
Remote Meeting**

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by the Chair, Jennifer Laurent.

**Board members present:** Jennifer Laurent, Daniel Coane, Luana Tredwell, William “Jamie” Floyd, Matthew Choate, Ginger Gillette-Kent, Deb Belcher, and Jill Neary.

**Ad Hoc member:** Doug Sutton

**Board members absent:** Jennifer Lyon and Marsha Arend

**Staff members present:** Shiela Boni, Nursing Board Executive Officer; Lauren Layman, General Counsel; Noura Eltabbakh, General Counsel; Emily Trudeau, General Counsel; George Belcher, Administrative Law Officer; Kristin Donnelly, Case Manager; Elizabeth Kneen, Case Manager; Julie Bowen, Docket Clerk; Corrine Reynolds, Licensing Administrator; Kamanie Sweet, Licensing Administrator; Michelle Lavoie, Licensing Administrator; Danielle Rubalcaba, Business Project Manager; Laticia Garcia, Enforcement Licensing Administrator; Kris Bowdish, OPR Deputy Chief Investigator; Michael Warren, Chief Investigator, and Ryan Prince, Investigator.

**Prosecuting Attorneys:** Jennifer Colin, Rachel Heath, Ultan Doyle and George Hasselback.

**Guests:** Chandler Bellanca, Hattie Russell, Kaylynn Stone, Morgan Colombo, Paula Haytko and Rob Sussman.

## **2. Approval of Minutes from May 13, 2024**

Daniel Coane moved to approve the minutes of May 13, 2024, with the small change to Discipline Hearings: In re “Bobbie Davis” of “debilitative” to “deliberative”. Matthew Choate seconded. The motion passed; Doug Sutton recused.

## **[3.] Executive Officer Report:** Shiela Boni, Nursing Executive Officer:

### **• Administrative Updates:**

- Jen Lyon announced the welcome of her new baby as of June 8<sup>th</sup>.
- OPR staffing changes:
  - Tara Grenier has moved up to Deputy Director; Aprille Morrison has moved up to Licensing Chief; Lauren Laymen, OPR General Counsel is moving to the Department of Health; Jen Colin is now OPR General Counsel and Ultan Doyle is now OPR Chief Prosecutor. OPR continues to have a strong team!
  - OPR office changes: furniture has arrived, the boardroom may not be fully ready for the July meeting.
  - NLC legal forum link is included in the June Nursing Executive Officer Monthly Report.
  - Reminder if you are interested in attending the NCSBN conference please contact Shiela as registration for the NCSBN Conference is coming up quickly.

- The travel days are 8/27 & 8/30; the conference is 8/28-8/30
  - Shiela will be attending virtually, and her spot is now opened.
  - Jennnifer Laurent will be attending and there are 2 more spots available.
- Reviewed the Executive Officer Report with trends. Daniel Coane asked about the LPN decline; Shiela said it is due to the first renewal for the LPN compact license

### 3.[4.] Discipline Hearings

- 2024-78 – *In re: Nomwende Kafando, Contested Hearing; Request for a Summary Suspension*
  - The matter was heard on the record. Daniel Coane moved to grant the summary suspension, seconded by Doug Sutton. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2020-96 – *In re: Paula Haytko, Uncontested Hearing; Modification Stipulation and Consent Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. William “Jamie” Floyd moved to accept the modification, seconded by Daniel Coane. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2020-111 – *In re: Melissa Haynes, Uncontested Hearing: Stipulation and Consent Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. Daniel Coane moved to accept the stipulation and consent order, seconded by Jill Neary. The motion passed; Doug Sutton was recused.
- 2024-63 – *In re: Hope Chappell, Uncontested Hearing: Stipulation and Consent Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. Deb Belcher moved to accept the stipulation and consent order, seconded by William “Jamie” Floyd. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2024-84 – *In re: Theresa Armstrong, Uncontested Hearing: Stipulation and Consent Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. Doug Sutton moved to accept the stipulation and consent order, seconded by Daniel Coane. The motion passed; William “Jamie” Floyd was recused.
- 2022-28 – *In re: Christine Strobl, Uncontested Hearing: Proposed Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. William “Jamie” Floyd moved to accept the proposed order, seconded by Matthew Choate. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2022-196 & 197 – *In re: Lucas Hall, Uncontested Hearing: Proposed Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. William “Jamie” Floyd moved to accept the proposed order, seconded by Deb Belcher. The motion passed; Ginger Gillette-Kent was recused.
- 2023-174 – *In re: Corissa Laws, Uncontested Hearing: Default Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. William “Jamie” Floyd moved to accept the default judgment, seconded by Daniel Coane. The motion passed; Deb Belcher was recused.
- 2024-50 & 51 – *In re: Jasmine Brown, Uncontested Hearing: Default Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. Doug Sutton moved to accept the default judgment, seconded by Ginger Gillette-Kent. The motion passed; William “Jamie” Floyd was recused.
- 2023-29 & 30 – *In re: Monica Jones, Uncontested Hearing: Amended Default Order*
  - The matter was heard on the record. Daniel Coane moved to accept the amended default judgment, seconded by William “Jamie” Floyd. The motion passed; Ginger Gillette-Kent was

recused.

**4.[5.] Other Business:** None

**5.[6.] Public Comment:** No public comment

**6.[7.] Adjournment**

There being no additional business, Jennnifer Laurent adjourned the meeting at 10:32 am.

The next scheduled meeting is July 8, 2024