



# **Board of Nursing**

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### **APPROVED MINUTES**

**June 14, 2021**

**Remote Meeting**

- 1. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:04 AM by Ellen Watson — Chair

**Board members present:** Ellen Watson, Luana Tredwell, Deborah Swartz, William White, Jennifer Laurent, Daniel Coane, Kelly Sinclair, Douglas Sutton and Krystal Bernier

**Board member(s) absent:** Wendy Thurston

**Staff members present:** Shiela Boni, Nursing Board Executive Officer, Carrie Phillips, Pharmacy Board Executive Officer; Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel; Lauren Layman, General Counsel; George Belcher, Administrative Law Officer; Michael Kupersmith, Administrative Law Officer; Aprille Morrison, Licensing Administrator III Supervisor; Kristin Donnelly, Case Manager; Beth Kneen, Docket Clerk; Ellen Leff, Case Manager; Dennis Menard, Investigator; Laticia Garcia, Enforcement Licensing Administrator; Shawn McGarvin, Investigator; Kelsi Alger, Licensing Administrator; Brittany Utton, Licensing Administrator

**Prosecuting Attorneys:** Elizabeth St. James, Jennifer Colin, Benjamin Novogroski, Traci Leibowitz

**Guests:** Evan Chadwick, Virginia Mann, Shylynn Stewart, Alexandria Barrette, Danielle Powell, Michelle Wade

- 2. Approval of Minutes from May 10, 2021**

- Jennifer Laurent moved to approve the minutes as written. Deborah Swartz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- 3. Executive Officer Report**

- Shiela Boni shared the May 2021 Executive Officer report with Board members present.

- 4. Discipline**

- 2020-26 – Mann, Virginia-** Contested Hearing

- Virginia Mann and attorney, Evan Chadwick, were present. The Board moved into deliberative session at 11:23 am and reconvened at 12:14 pm. Deborah Swartz moved to indefinitely suspend Virginia Mann's license and require Ms. Mann to complete an ethics course, Righting a Wrong course and Dealing with Patients with Dementia course and then apply for reinstatement. Danny Coane seconded the motion. The roll call of votes is as follows:  
Deborah Swartz – yes  
Danny Coane – yes

Krystal Bernier – yes  
William White – yes  
Ellen Watson – yes  
Jennifer Laurent – no

Motion passed. Luana Tredwell and Douglas Sutton recused from voting.

- b. 2021-65 – **Marston, Amanda** – Summary Suspension Hearing
- Jennifer Laurent moved to accept the Summary Suspension Order as presented. William White seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Douglas Sutton recused from voting. Luana Tredwell abstained from participating.
- c. 2021-79 – **Powell, Danielle** – Summary Suspension Hearing
- Danielle Powell was present. Danny Coane moved to summarily suspend Danielle Powell's Registered Nurse license. William White seconded. The motion passed unanimously; Deborah Swartz recused from voting.
- d. 2018-10 – **Appletree, Sarah** – Stipulation & Consent Order
- The Board moved into deliberative session at 1:20 pm and reconvened at 1:51 pm. Jennifer Laurent moved to reject the stipulation as written. Willie seconded the motion. Motion passed. Douglas Sutton recused from voting. The Board requested information be included in the stipulation and consent order as to whether the previous conditions were successfully met.
- e. 2020-116 – **Moyo, Garikai** – Stipulation & Consent Order
- Jennifer Laurent moved to approve the stipulation and consent order as written. Deborah Swartz seconded. Motion passed. Douglas Sutton recused from voting.
- f. 2021-48 – **Faleski, Theresa** – Stipulation & Consent Order
- Deborah Swartz moved to approve the stipulation and consent order as presented. Luana Tredwell seconded the motion. Motion passed with 6 in favor and 1 opposed. The roll call of votes is as follows:  
Deborah Swartz – yes  
Luana Tredwell – yes  
Jennifer Laurent – yes  
Daniel Coane – yes  
Kelly Sinclair – yes  
Krystal Bernier – yes  
William White - no
- Douglas Sutton recused from voting.
- g. 2021-60 – **Loren, Sara** – Stipulation & Consent Order
- Danny Coane moved to approve the stipulation and consent order as presented. Jennifer Laurent seconded the motion. Motion passed. Douglas Sutton recused from voting.
- h. 2021-62 – **McLoughlin, Miranda** – Stipulation & Consent Order
- Douglas Sutton moved to approve the stipulation and consent order as presented. William White seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- i. 2020-100 – **Holt, Hannah** – Order to Remove Conditions
- Krystal Bernier moved to approve the order as presented. Deborah Swartz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- j. 2018-21 – **Nash, Trisha** – Order to Remove Condition A.14
- Jennifer Laurent moved to accept the order as presented. Krystal Bernier seconded the motion. Motion passed. Douglas Sutton recused from voting. Luana Tredwell abstained from participating.
- k. 2020-13 – **Slack, Megan** – Closed deliberation on written Respondent’s Motion for Specific Permission and State’s Reply.
- The Board moved into deliberative session at 2:21 pm and reconvened at 2:43 pm. Ellen Watson informed the meeting participants upon reconvening that Ms. Slack’s 2020 disciplinary order supersedes the 2008 disciplinary order and that Ms. Slack may work as a personal care attendant (PCA) as requested. Gabriel Gilman will create the order for chair signature.

## 5. Topics for Discussion

- a. APRN Subcommittee – Jennifer Laurent spoke with members the focus of the May 19, 2021 meeting. She also advised members present on the proposed changes to the APRN Subcommittee charter. Deborah Swartz moved to approve the proposed changes as presented. Krystal Bernier seconded the motion. Motion passed. A discussion was also started regarding continuing education requirements for APRN’s in addition or possibly in lieu of practice hour requirements.
- b. AD-Hoc Committee – Ellen Watson informed members present that minutes from June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting as well as any charter changes will be presented to the Board at the July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- c. Administrative Rules – Shiela Boni spoke with members present and informed them that she and Mr. Gilman will be working on documents to provide all Board members that will note changes and updates and include committee relevant items. Board members will be able to provide feedback in a more efficient manner.

6. **Public Comment:** Michelle Wade, VNPA President, informed members present she was there for the APRN Subcommittee discussion items.

## 7. Adjournment

Jennifer Laurent moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:09 pm. William White seconded the motion. Motion passed

Next Scheduled Meeting –July 12, 2021 at 9:00 am.  
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