

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
89 MAIN STREET, 3rd FLOOR, MONTPELIER, VT
BOARD OF NURSING
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
April 8, 2019**

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00AM by Ellen Watson — Chair

Board members present: Ellen Watson, Krystal Bernier, Douglas Sutton, Kelly Sinclair, Luana Tredwell, Deborah Swartz, Jennifer Laurent, Virginia Hudson, Wendy Thurston.

Board members absent: William White

Staff members present: Phyllis Mitchell, Nursing Board Executive Director; Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel; Michael Kupersmith, Hearing Officer; Kristin Donnelly, Licensing Administrator I; Elizabeth Kneen, Docket Clerk; Ellen Leff, Case Manager; Carrie Phillips, Pharmacy Board Executive Officer.

Prosecuting Attorneys: Jennifer Colin, Aaron Kisicki, Elizabeth St. James.

Guests: Samantha Tilton, Kim Danzigis, Ryan McGrath, Kayla Davis, Marty Bailey, Amanda Palm, Melissa Kilburn, Christopher McMurtry, Bettye Bryars, Jill Olson, Traci Leibowitz.

2. Changes and Additions to the Agenda:

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3. Approval of Minutes:

Douglas Sutton made a motion to approve the March 11, 2019 minutes as presented. Deborah Swartz seconded.	PASS
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4. Summary Suspensions/Modification of Conditions:

2015-315	Stewart, Jodi appeared via telephone. The Board went into deliberation at 10:08 and reconvened at 10:28. Krystal Bernier moved to REINSTATE and CONDITION the license of LPN Jodi Stewart . Deborah Swartz seconded.	PASS
2019-50	Evans, Matthew Russell was not present. Deborah Swartz moved to SUMMARILY SUSPEND the license of LPN Matthew Russell Evans . Krystal Bernier seconded.	PASS

5: Stipulations/Hearings/Default Orders:

2018-52	Greenspon, Lisa was not present. Jennifer Laurent moved to ACCEPT the proposed REMOVAL OF CONDITIONS of the license of RN Lisa Greenspon . Wendy Thurston seconded.	PASS
2018-126	Bouton, Jane appeared via telephone. Virginia Hudson moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER to WARN and CONDITION the license of LPN Jane Bouton . Douglas Sutton seconded.	PASS
2019-25	Bryars, Bettye was present. Douglas Sutton moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER to IMPOSE a MONETARY CIVIL PENALTY of \$300 on LPN Bettye Bryars . Jennifer Laurent seconded.	PASS
2016-101	Kilburn, Melissa was present. Jennifer Laurent moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER to REINSTATE and CONDITION the license of RN Melissa Kilburn . Douglas Sutton seconded.	PASS
2019-19	Parris, Britny was not present. The Board went into deliberation at 11:48 and reconvened at 11:58. Virginia Hudson moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER to WARN the license of LNA Britny Parris . Deborah Swartz seconded.	PASS
2018-120	Grisby, Leanne was not present. Krystal Bernier moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION & CONSENT ORDER to CONDITION the license of RN Leanne Grigsby . Virginia Hudson seconded.	PASS

6. Administrative, Education, Practice, and Licensure:

Executive Director's Report:

Phyllis Mitchell reviewed the March 2019 Executive Director Report with Board members present.

7. Education:

Nursing Education Committee:

Deborah Swartz shared an update from the Committee's March 22 meeting. The Committee discussed approval of nursing programs and recommends that the Board of Nursing accept national accreditation in lieu of performing site surveys, other than for new programs. Board members agreed to postpone this discussion for a future meeting.

Practice:

APRN Sub-Committee:

The Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

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.

8. Other Business:

- Jill Olson of VT Talent Pipeline spoke about their current initiative to address Vermont's nursing shortage. VT Talent Pipeline is exploring a broad range of solutions and proposed a Rule change to help address a shortage of nursing clinical instructors, specifically waiving the requirement for BSN-prepared instructors to matriculate into a MSN program. The Board requested more data and information from nursing educators to review at a future meeting.
- The NLC Legislative Report was reviewed with Board members present. Next steps for this project include forming a stakeholder group to examine the Compact and surveying all RN and LPN licensees.

Adjournment: Douglas Sutton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 PM. Virginia Hudson seconded. Motion passed.