

**FEBRUARY 11, 2008
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was held at the National Life Building in Montpelier, VT. The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM by Linda Rice, Chair; Board Members present: Alan Weiss, Ellen Leff, Donarae Metcalf, Deann Welch, William White, Deborah Robinson, Sandra Norton, Jeanine Carr; Ken Bush; Staff members present: Mary Botter - Executive Director, C. Winters - Director of OPR, Nancy Morin – Administrative Assistant, Elizabeth Hansen - LNA Program Coordinator, Kevin Leahy - Board Attorney, Edward Adrian - Prosecuting Attorneys, Mark Jacob and Amy Carlson - Investigators for OPR; Others present: Gloria Danforth, Mary Margaret Ryan, Stacey Brickell and Judy Rex – Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) Program affiliates, UVM BS Students ,VTC LPN students, John Pacht, Esq., Greydon Kilpatrick, Elizabeth Holbrook and, by phone, Kate Carr.

2. Changes and Additions to the Agenda:

A. Weiss asked that the agenda item *2008 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses* be postponed until later in the agenda when C. Winters was present to discuss the issue.

3. Approval of Minutes:

D. Welch moved to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2008. K. Bush abstained.

Pass

4. Administration:

A. **Executive Director's Report - Monthly Report** - M. Botter reported. See attached. In addition to the content included in the written report, Board members were informed that D. Metcalf and S. Norton have been re-appointed to the Board.

B. **Goals** - The Board was given a copy of the reformatted goals list.

C. **Temporary Staff** - A. Weiss moved to approve the hiring of a full-time temporary staff member for 6 months.

Pass

- D. **2008 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses** - The Board discussed the request for the release of licensing information for the 2008 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses. M. Botter received approval to release the information.
- E. **2008 Nursing Board Fund Balance** -The Board received additional information on the FY 2008 Nursing Board Fund Balance. The Board requested that P. Dailey, Director of Administrative Services for OPR, attend the March meeting.
- F. **Ad hoc task force re: Medication Administration Delegation** - The Board requested that M. Botter provide the Board, at their March meeting, a list of the individuals who will be appointed to the Medication Administration Delegation Task Force.
- G. **Administrative Penalties** - The Board was provided with a list of administrative penalty fees for individuals who had worked with lapsed licenses. A. Weiss asked why the administrative penalty was not the same for all individuals. The list will be given to the Prosecuting Attorney with a request that the penalties be consistently applied.
- H. **Discipline Follow-Up Report** – D. Robinson moved to accept the Discipline Follow-Up Report. **Pass**
- I. **Overview: Investigative Process** – A. Carlson explained to the Board the approach used for investigations when a Summary Suspension was anticipated as well as the regular investigative process. She described how complaints are evaluated, prioritized and assigned to investigators.
- J. **Legislative Update – H619 Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE)** Gloria Danforth, Judy Rex, Stacey Brickell and Mary Margaret Ryan discussed with the Board the role of a SANE. They explained the need for legislation related to the SANE Program as well as suggested modifications to H619. L. Rice recommended that a Nursing Board member be appointed to the SANE Advisory Board. The Board requested that C. Winters explain to Legislature why the Nursing Board should not regulate or approve SANE certification.
- K. **S330 Nurse Licensure Compact** – K. Bush moved to table this agenda item until

the March meeting when more data is available. **Pass**

L. **H379 Christian Science Nursing** – K. Bush moved to not support H379 because the use of the title Christian Science Nurse would be confusing to the public. **Pass**

M. **S276 Nursing and Military Service** – Board discussed whether the training provided in the military would be comparable with requirements in VT approved schools of nursing. The Board opposed the bill as written but would like to encourage a dialogue including representatives from the military and VT Schools of Nursing regarding this issue.

5. **EDUCATION:**

A. **Nursing Assistant Program Review** – See attached.
D. Welch moved to accept the report. **Pass**

B. J. Carr moved to accept the recommendation for full approval of **Northland Job Corps** without recommendations. **Pass**

C. D. Welch moved to accept the recommendation for approval of the new program **Patricia Hannaford Career Center** with recommendations. **Pass**

D. E. Leff moved to accept the recommendation for approval of **Northwest Technical Center's** biennial review with recommendations. **Pass**

E. E. Leff moved to accept the recommendation for approval of **Stafford Technical Center (Day & Evening Program)** with recommendations. **Pass**

F. D. Welch moved to accept the recommendation for full approval of **River Valley Technical Center Day Program** without recommendations. **Pass**

6. **PRACTICE:**

A. **APRN Task Force Report** - C. Winters reported on the APRN Task Force Report that was submitted to the Legislature. The Board will discuss the specific recommendations outlined in the Task Force Report at the March 2008 Board Meeting.

B. **Position Statement Review Schedule** – M. Botter proposed a Quarterly Schedule for Position Statement Review. The schedule will be revised to group Position Statements with common themes together.

C. **RN Role Assisting Anesthesia Provider** – A. Weiss moved a response of “No” to the questions from Springfield Hospital; *Can a RN, at the direction of the Anesthesia*

Provider draw up medication? and Can a RN inject local anesthetic (lidocaine) into a catheter for the purpose of a regional block such as an interscalene or femoral block when assisting the Anesthesia Provider in this procedure? **Pass**

D. **RN's and Cosmetic Injectables** – Tabled. M. Botter will bring additional information to the March meeting.

7. COMPLAINTS:

- APP-NU57-0108 M. Cross was not present. E. Leff moved to **DISMISS THE APPEAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for Registered Nurse **Applicant Michael Cross**. **Pass**
- NA38-0407 Jody Taylor was not present. D. Metcalf moved to approve the Stipulation and Consent Order and **REVOKE** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant **Jody Taylor**. **Pass**
- NA02-0806 Gary Wheel was not present. Disposition is tabled until the parties reschedule.
- NU19-0905 Clayre Bariteau was not present. K. Bush moved to **REINSTATE WITHOUT CONDITIONS** the license of Registered Nurse **Clayre Bariteau**. E. Leff abstained. **Pass**
- NU47-0107 Paula Sarringer not present. L. Rice moved to go into deliberative session at 11:45 p.m. **Pass**
- The Board came out of deliberative session at 12:05 p.m. K. Leahy will issue a written decision.
- NU85-0504 Holly Stricker was not present. K. Bush moved to **REINSTATE WITHOUT CONDITIONS** the license of Registered Nurse **Holly Stricker**. E. Leff abstained. **Pass**
- NU22-0807 Katherine Brande was not present. J. Carr moved to approve the Stipulation and Consent Order and **REPRIMAND** the license of Registered Nurse **Katherine Brande**. **Pass**
- APPLICANT Nancy Donnelly was not present. K. Bush moved to approve the Stipulation Order regarding Nancy Donnelly's renewal application appeal and **GRANT** the renewal of Registered **Nancy Donnelly's** license. E. Leff abstained. **Pass**
- NU10-0704 Danielle Nichols was not present. D. Welch moved **REINSTATE WITHOUT CONDITIONS** the license of Registered Nurse **Danielle Nichols**. E. Leff abstained. **Pass**

NU79-0506 Greydon Kilpatrick was present and represented by John Pacht, Esq. K. Bush moved to go into deliberative session at 2:35 p.m. **Pass**

The Board came out of deliberative session at 3:00 p.m. The Board voted while in deliberative session to **REPRIMAND** the license of Registered Nurse **Greydon Kilpatrick**. **Pass**

NA10-1007 Sonja White was not present. D. Welch moved to find Sonja White in **DEFAULT**. **Pass**

D. Weiss moved to **REVOKE** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant **Sonja White**. **Pass**

NA25-1206 Janet Eschmann was not present. K. Bush moved to find Janet Eschmann in **DEFAULT**. **Pass**

L. Rice moved to **WARN** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant **Janet Eschmann**. A. Weiss voted No. **Pass**

NA27-1206 Elizabeth Holbrook was present. L. Rice moved to find Elizabeth Holbrook in **DEFAULT**. **Pass**

L. Rice moved to **INDEFINITELY SUSPEND** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant **Elizabeth Holbrook**. **Pass**

APPLICANT Kate Carr was present by phone. L. Rice moved to go into deliberative session at 1:35 p.m. **Pass**

The meeting resumed at 1:50 p.m. The Board while in deliberative session voted to **GRANT ENDORSEMENT AS AN APRN** to Registered Nurse **Kate Carr** as long as she is in the military and has a military collaborative physician. She must obtain a Vermont licensed collaborative physician if she returns to Vermont. **Pass**

NU43-0101 Aleta Costopoulos was not present. L. Rice moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Registered Nurse **Aleta Costopoulos**. **Pass**

8. **Other** – The Board received the January 2008 Nursing Law Regan Report.

9. **Other** – The Board received the NCSBN Brochure *Make Your Mark*

19. **Adjournment** – K. Bush moved to adjourn the meeting. **Pass**