

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
89 MAIN STREET, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, MONTPELIER, VT  
BOARD OF NURSING  
APPROVED MINUTES  
September 15, 2015**

**1. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Jeanine Carr – Chair at Office of Professional Regulation, 89 Main Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Montpelier, VT; Board members present: Jeanine Carr, Ellen Watson, Virginia Hudson, Sheila Davis, Douglas Sutton, Deborah Swartz, Jennifer Laurent, William White, John Welch, Jr., Luana Tredwell, and Kelly Sinclair. Staff members present: Linda Davidson – Executive Director, Jennifer Silverwood - Administrative Assistant, Ellen Leff - Nursing Case Manager, Larry Novins– Board Attorney, George Belcher – Hearing Officer; Lauren Hibbert & Elizabeth Jarvis- Prosecuting Attorneys. Others present – Corey Bennett and Katie Markie – University of Vermont students.

**2. Changes and Additions to the Agenda: None**

**3. Approval of Minutes:**

E. Watson moved to approve the minutes of August 10, 2015. **Pass**

**4. Disciplinary Proceedings:**

2015-297      Lisa Gonyea was not present. J. Welch moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Licensed Practical Nurse **Lisa Gonyea**. **Pass**

2014-784      Linda Washkevic was not present. S. Davis moved to accept the stipulation and **WARN** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant Linda Washkevich.

**CLOSING REPORTS:**

D. Sutton moved to recommend that the following complaints be concluded without charges.

- 2015-57 Jennifer Laurent recused
- 2015-58 Jennifer Laurent recused
- 2015-169 Deborah Swartz recused
- 2015-177 Jennifer Laurent recused
- 2015-130 Jennifer Laurent recused
- 2015-156 Jennifer Laurent recused
- 2015-23 Sheila Davis recused
- 2015-126 Sheila Davis recused
- 2015-272 Deborah Swartz recused

**OTHER DISCIPLINARY ITEMS:**

- 2015-43 – David Christopher Auclair was not present. D. Swartz moved to accept the Default order and **INDEFINITELY SUSPEND** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant **David Christopher Auclair**. **Pass**

- Current Discipline Cases – August 31, 2015 – The Board received and reviewed the current discipline cases and quarterly statistics with E. Leff.
- Discussion of Substance Abuse and Diversion – D. Sutton presented a power point to the Board on substance abuse and diversion.
- ALO, Defaults, and Consent Order Process – L. Davidson and L. Novins discussed the current ALO, defaults, and consent order processes.

## 5. Administration, Education, Practice, Licensure:

### Executive Director's Report:

The Board reviewed the September Executive Director's report.

- L. Davidson announced her upcoming retirement on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.
- E. Watson has been elected to the NCSBN as Area IV Director.

### Board Elections:

- J. Welch moved to have Jeanine Carr - Chair, Ellen Watson – Vice Chair, and Deborah Swartz - Secretary continue to serve the Board in their respective positions for the upcoming year. **Pass**

**Board Retreat:** The Board retreat will take place after the October 12<sup>th</sup> Nursing Board meeting from 1-4 pm. The topic is the BS as entry level into nursing. L. Davidson and J. Carr presented the Board with articles to review at the Board retreat.

**National Certification Boards:** L. Davidson reviewed the current list of approved APRN National Certification Boards.

**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 has not met since the last Board meeting.

### LNA Programs

- North Country Career Center – MNA New Program Approval  
E. Watson moved to **APPROVE** the new MNA program approval of **North Country Career Center.** **Pass**
- Maple Lane Nursing and Retirement Homes – LNA New Program Approval  
S. Davis moved to **APPROVE** the new LNA program approval of **Maple Lane Nursing and Retirement Homes.** **Pass**

## 7. Practice

**Practice Committee:** The Practice Committee met on September 2, 2015.

- Determining Scope of Practice Plus Decision Tree – Revision  
S. Davis moved to approve the Determining Scope of Practice plus Decision Tree revision. **Pass**

- Scope of Practice Decision Tree – Revision  
S. Davis moved to approve the Scope of Practice Decision Tree revision with changes. **Pass**
- Comparison of RN and LPN Scope of Practice –  
S. Davis moved to approve the Comparison of RN and LPN Scope of Practice with changes. **Pass**
- Role of LPNs in Triage Position Statement  
J. Carr moved to retain the position statement on the LPN Role in Triage.

#### **LNAs in Residential Care**

- The Board discussed the concerns of LNA/PCA scope of practice in residential care. Christine Scott from Mayo Health Clinic participated by phone.

**Alternative Program Committee:** The Alternative Committee met on September 11, 2015.

- Charter for the Alternative Program and Practice Remediation Program -  
S. Davis moved to accept the charter for the Alternative Program and Practice Remediation Program. **Pass**

**8. Adjournment:** D. Sutton moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 PM.  
Minutes recorded by: Jennifer Silverwood, Administrative Assistant  
Draft minutes reviewed by: Linda Davidson, Executive Director  
Draft minutes approved by Vermont Board of Nursing: 10/12/2015