

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
89 MAIN STREET, 3RD 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, 3rd 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:

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| 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 1st, 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 12th 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