

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
89 MAIN STREET, 3RD FLOOR, MONTPELIER, VT
BOARD OF NURSING
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
June 11, 2018**

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by Ellen Watson – Chair

Board members present: Ellen Watson, Jennifer Laurent, Deborah Swartz, William White, Douglas Sutton, Virginia Hudson and Luana Tredwell.

Board member(s) absent: Jill Duell and Kelly Sinclair

Staff members present: Aprille Morrison, Licensing Administrator I; Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel; George Belcher, Hearing Officer; Kristin Husher, Nursing Program Manager, and Ellen Leff, Case Manager.

Prosecuting Attorney: Jennifer Colin

Guests: Tabitha Chatfield

Ellen Watson introduced Mr. Gabriel Gilman as the Board of Nursing’s new General Counsel. He will be replacing Lauren Hibbert who will become the new Director of the Office of Professional Regulation the end of June.

2. Changes and Additions to the Agenda:

No changes	
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3. Approval of Minutes:

Virginia Hudson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Douglas Sutton seconded the motion. Motion passed. A discussion was had regarding the requirements of listing names for the motions and votes that were in the May minutes. Mr. Gilman informed members present that the individual making the motion and the second should be recorded, however any opposing the vote could be listed in a count rather than by name. Ms. Morrison will amend the May minutes to reflect the counts.	Pass
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4. Summary Suspensions/Hearings/Modification of Conditions:

2017-147	Piette Chatfield, Tabitha was present. The request for modifications was reviewed as well as the state’s opposition to the modifications. The Board went into deliberative session at 9:47 am and reconvened at 9:55 am. Douglas Sutton moved to deny the request for modification of conditions of LNA Tabitha Chatfield. Virginia Hudson seconded the motion.	Pass
2018-55	Awawonse, Lanre was not present. Deborah Swartz moved to accept the request for summary suspension of RN Lanre Awawonse. Virginia Hudson seconded the motion.	Pass

5. **Stipulations/Default Orders:**

2018-48	Yustin, Susan was not present. Jennifer Laurent moved to ACCEPT the proposed STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER of the license of Licensed Practical Nurse Susan Yustin . Douglas Sutton seconded the motion.	Pass
2016-40 2017-153	Cady, Natasha was not present. Deborah Swartz moved to ACCEPT the DEFAULT ORDER of the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant Natasha Cady . William White seconded the motion.	Pass

6. **Administrative, Education, Practice, and Licensure:**

Executive Director's Report:

The board received and reviewed the April 2018 Executive Director Report from Phyllis Mitchell who was not present at the Board meeting.

7. **Education:**

Nursing Education Committee:

The Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

Nursing Program Manager Report:

The board received and reviewed the May 2018 Nursing Program Manager's Report with Kristin Husher.

Nursing Assistant Education and Practice Committee:

The Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

LNA Programs:

Bennington Health & Rehabilitation Center – Program Reinstatement Review – Deborah Swartz moved to approve to reinstate the nursing assistant education program. Virginia Hudson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rutland Health & Rehabilitation Center – Annual Review – Douglas Sutton moved to continue approved status for this nursing assistant education program. Virginia Hudson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

8. **Practice**

APRN Sub Committee:

The APRN Sub-Committee met in May 2018, however Phyllis Mitchell is not in attendance at the Board meeting to report. The Board will receive a report at the July meeting.

Practice Committee:

The Practice Committee has not met since the May Board meeting.

Alternative Program Committee:

The Alternative Program Committee met on May 18, 2018. The meeting had to be cancelled due to lack of participation.

9. Other Business:

Ellen Watson informed members present of the OPR Bill updates concerning APRNs. The requirement for practice guidelines will be removed from Statute (an Administrative Rule upon updates). The requirement for transition to practice for new graduates is still in effect.

Ellen Watson spoke to members about starting to organize Administrative Rules updates. The suggestion was made that the individual committees start reviewing the Rules that apply to their Committee and keep track of the areas to update. Mr. Gilman has also been requested to attend the Committee meetings to begin assembling information on the areas in need of revising.

Following the May meeting a doodle poll was sent to Board members to see which date(s) in October would work best for a Board Retreat. Luana Tredwell did not receive the e-mail and Virginia Hudson will respond as soon as possible. Currently it looks like either October 5th or October 12th will be the date of the Board retreat.

Adjournment: There being no additional business, the Board meeting adjourned at 12:04 pm.