

**VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE
BOARD OF NURSING
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 11, 2021**

PRESENT: Janice Edelstein, Peter Kallio, Lisa Pisney, Luann Skarlupka, Robert Weinman, Emily Zentz

EXCUSED: Rosemary Dolatowski, Jennifer Eklof, Christian Saldivar Frias

STAFF: Christine Poleski, Executive Director; Jameson Whitney, Legal Counsel; Kassandra Walbrun, Administrative Rules Coordinator; Kimberly Wood, Program Assistant Supervisor-Advanced; and other DSPS Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Peter Kallio, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. A quorum was confirmed with six (6) members present.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Janice Edelstein, to adopt the Agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2021

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, to approve the Minutes of February 11, 2021 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

EDUCATION AND EXAMINATION MATTERS

Carthage College – Final Approval of Nursing School

MOTION: Janice Edelstein moved, seconded by Robert Weinman, to approve the request of Carthage College for final approval of its nursing school. Motion carried unanimously.

Excelsior College – ACEN Accreditation and Student Teach Out Plan

MOTION: Emily Zentz moved, seconded by Janice Edelstein, to acknowledge and thank Michael DiSiena, Acting Legal Counsel, for his remote appearance before the Board and to request the additional information from Excelsior College as follows:

1. Names of students and status
2. Names of transfer schools
3. Plan for NCLEX remediation, if needed

Motion carried unanimously.

Mount Mary University – Final Approval of Nursing School

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Luann Skarlupka, to acknowledge and thank Kara Groom, PhD(c), MSN, RN, Chief Nurse Administrator-Mount Mary University, for her remote appearance before the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Luann Skarlupka, to approve the request of Mount Mary University for final approval of its nursing school. Motion carried unanimously.

COVID-19

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, to express the support and encouragement of the Board for its licensees to receive a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as they are eligible to do so and the vaccine is available to them. Motion carried unanimously.

LETTER FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA NURSES ASSOCIATION

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, to direct Legal Counsel to draft a response to the North Carolina Nurses' Association February 11, 2021 letter, acknowledging receipt and replying that the Board will cease to use the "Nursing Forward" phrase in the future, and to delegate Legal Counsel to sign the response letter on behalf of the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Peter Kallio, to convene to Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigation with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85(1)(b), Stats. and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and, to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Peter Kallio, Chairperson, read the language of the motion. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Janice Edelstein-yes; Peter Kallio-yes; Lisa Pisney-yes; Luann Skarlupka-yes; Robert Weinman-yes; and Emily Zentz-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 9:36 a.m.

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE MATTERS

Administrative Warnings

MOTION: Lisa Pisney moved, seconded by Luann Skarlupka, to issue an Administrative Warnings in the matter of the following cases:

1. 19 NUR 131 – L.M.V.
2. 20 NUR 094 – S.M.H.
3. 20 NUR 368 – B.L.L.
4. 20 NUR 422 – W.L.C.

Motion carried unanimously.

20 NUR 232 – J.K.

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Emily Zentz, to table the Administrative Warning in the matter of J.K., DLSC Case Number 20 NUR 232. Motion carried unanimously.

Case Closings

MOTION: Emily Zentz moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, to close the following DLSC Cases for the reasons outlined below:

1. 18 NUR 273 – V.F.C. – Prosecutorial Discretion (P7)
2. 18 NUR 346 – Unknown – Lack of Jurisdiction (L2)
3. 19 NUR 002 – E.S. – Insufficient Evidence
4. 19 NUR 016 – J.L.Q. – Prosecutorial Discretion (P5)
5. 19 NUR 131 – M.N.K. – No Violation
6. 19 NUR 144 – K.C., C.B., J.G. – No Violation
7. 19 NUR 285 – D.A.D. – Insufficient Evidence
8. 19 NUR 316 – S.L.G., R.A.G. – No Violation
9. 19 NUR 612 – D.E.U. – Prosecutorial Discretion (P7)
10. 20 NUR 403 – A.D. – No Violation

Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Stipulations and Final Decisions and Orders

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Peter Kallio, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings of the following cases:

1. 18 NUR 241 – Jessica L. Shore, R.N.
2. 19 NUR 008 and 20 NUR 395 – Lisa M. Bender, L.P.N.
3. 19 NUR 023 – Kristi L. Thompson, R.N.
4. 19 NUR 035 – Carrie M. Blaser, R.N., A.P.N.P.
5. 19 NUR 144 – Elizabeth C. Kuss, R.N.
6. 19 NUR 325 – Antionette Williams, L.P.N.
7. 19 NUR 544 – Lobsang Phinsto, R.N.
8. 19 NUR 581 and 20 NUR 421 – Amanda R. Lindstrom, R.N.
9. 19 NUR 605 – James M. Whelan, R.N.
10. 19 NUR 698 – Charity C. Clawson, R.N.
11. 20 NUR 032 – Amanda J. Kaufman, R.N.
12. 20 NUR 327 – Julie A. Tews, R.N.
13. 20 NUR 511 – Caitlyn E. Church, R.N.
14. 20 NUR 522 – Alan A. Wiltzius, R.N.
15. 20 NUR 526 – Lisa A. Brown, R.N.
16. 20 NUR 526 – Lunette R. Dehnel, R.N.

Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Stipulations and Interim Orders

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Robert Weinman, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Interim Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings of the following cases:

1. 19 NUR 428 – David Boozer, L.P.N.
2. 19 NUR 679, 20 NUR 033, 20 NUR 283 – David W. Kososki, R.N.
3. 21 NUR 003 – Tina M. Montezon, L.P.N.

Motion carried unanimously.

Monitoring Matters

Daphne Genrich, R.N.

Requesting Reduction in Screens and Termination of Direct Supervision

MOTION: Emily Zentz moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, to deny the request of Daphne Genrich, R.N., for reduction of screens, but to grant termination of direct supervision. **Reason for Denial:** Insufficient time under the Board Order (5/11/2017) to demonstrate adequate compliance. Motion carried unanimously.

**San-Hua Robinson, R.N.
Requesting Full Licensure**

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, to grant the request of San-Hua Robinson, R.N., for full licensure. Motion carried unanimously.

**Amanda Wing, R.N.
Requesting Termination of Direct Supervision**

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Janice Edelstein, to table consideration of the request of Amanda Wing, R.N., for termination of direct supervision. Motion carried unanimously.

**Krista Kurtz, R.N.
Requesting Termination of Direct Supervision and Reduction in Screens**

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Peter Kallio, to deny the request of Krista Kurtz, R.N., for termination of direct supervision and a reduction of screens. **Reason for Denial:** Insufficient time under the Board Order (5/9/2019) to demonstrate adequate compliance. Motion carried unanimously.

**Barbara Redenius, R.N.
Requesting Full Licensure**

MOTION: Emily Zentz moved, seconded by Janice Edelstein, to grant the request of Barbara Redenius, R.N., for full licensure. Motion carried unanimously.

**Tracy Szocik, R.N.
Requesting Reduction in Screens, Termination of Direct Supervision,
and Reduction in Work Report Schedule**

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Robert Weinman, to deny the request of Tracy Szocik, R.N., termination of direct supervision and reduction in work report schedule, but to grant a reduction in the frequency of drug screens to thirty-six (36) per year. **Reason for Denial:** Insufficient time under the Board Order (2/13/2020) to demonstrate adequate compliance. Motion carried unanimously.

**Jessica Gast, L.P.N.
Requesting Termination of Direct Supervision**

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Peter Kallio, to deny the request of Jessica Gast, L.P.N., for termination of direct supervision. **Reason for Denial:** Insufficient time under the Board Order (10/24/2019) to demonstrate adequate compliance. Motion carried unanimously.

**Deserae Furst, L.P.N.
Review Fitness to Practice Evaluation**

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, that pursuant to the 11/12/2020 order and the results of the Fitness-to-Practice evaluation, reinstate the license of Deserae Furst, L.P.N. to full unrestricted status. Motion carried unanimously.

DELIBERATION ON PROPOSED FINAL DECISIONS AND ORDERS

Alicia R. Krisher-Behm, R.N., Respondent (DHA Case Number SPS-20-020/DLSC Case Number 18 NUR 076)

MOTION: Peter Kallio moved, seconded by Luann Skarlupka, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Proposed Decision and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Alicia R. Krisher-Behm, R.N., Respondent (DHA Case Number SPS-20-020/DLSC Case Number 18 NUR 076). Motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Robert Weinman moved, seconded by Janice Edelstein, to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:18 a.m.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Luann Skarlupka moved, seconded by Robert Weinman, to affirm all motions made and votes taken in Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

(Be advised that any recusals or abstentions reflected in the Closed Session motions stand for the purposes of the affirmation vote.)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Emily Zentz moved, seconded by Lisa Pisney, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.