The Board of Examiners for Nursing held a meeting on January 5, 2022 via Microsoft TEAMS.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Patricia C. Bouffard, RN, D.N.Sc (RN Member, Chair) Cynthia L. Arpin, RN, MSN – (RN Member) Mary E. Dietmann, EdD, APRN, ACNS-BC, CNE - (RN Member) Jennifer C. Long, APRN, MSN, NNP-BC - (APRN Member) Geraldine Marrocco, Ed.D., APRN, ANP-BC, FAANP - (RN Member)
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:	Jason Blando - (Public Member) Lisa S. Freeman, BA - (Public Member Rebecca Martinez, LPN – (LPN Member) Gina Reiners, PhD, APRN, PMHNP, PMHCNS - (RN Member)
ALSO PRESENT:	Stacy Schulman, Legal Counsel to the Board, DPH Dana Dalton, RN, Supervising Nurse Consultant, DPH Helen Smith, RN, Nurse Consultant, DPH Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney, DPH Joelle Newton, Staff Attorney, DPH Diane Wilan, Staff Attorney, DPH

The meeting commenced at 8:30 a.m. All participants were present via Microsoft TEAMS.

# CHAIR UPDATES

Chair Bouffard and Geraldine Marrocco gave an update on the workgroup discussions pertaining to the nurse and advanced practice nurse licensure compacts.

Chair Bouffard reported that a workgroup is meeting to review and update the nurse education regulations.

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cynthia Arpin made a motion, seconded by Jennifer Long to add discussion of the 2022 meeting calendar to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Cynthia Arpin made a motion, seconded by Jennifer Long, to approve the agenda as revised The motion passed unanimously.

## OPEN FORUM

Nothing to report.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL STATE BOARDS OF NURSING

Chair Bouffard reported that the midyear meeting will be held on March 15-17, 2022 in St. Louis.

## 2022 MEETING CALENDAR

For March 2022 there will be only meeting which will be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2022. Continuation of having two meetings a month will be reevaluated in April.

## CONNECTICUT LEAGUE FOR NURSING – Monthly Update

Marcia Proto provided an update from the Connecticut League for Nursing and the Connecticut Center for Nursing Workforce. Audrey Beauvais provided an update from the Deans and Directors.

#### SCHOOL ISSUES

#### <u>Sacred Heart University</u>

Elizabeth Denny was present from Sacred Heart University.

Geraldine Marrocco made a motion, seconded by Cynthia Arpin, to grant a 6-month temporary waiver for Haley Naccarato, BSN, RN CCRN as a clinical instructor for NU 340: Introduction to Adult Nursing. The motion passed with all in favor except Mary Dietmann who abstained from voting.

#### SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Helen Smith, Nurse Consultant, DPH provided a summary of 43 nursing scope of practice inquires received by the Department of Public Health during November 2021.

#### MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N Petition No. 2021-506

Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan presented the Board with a Motion for Summary Suspension for Nicholas Lewonczyk. Respondent was not present and was not represented.

Jennifer Long moved to grant the Department's Motion for Summary Suspension in that respondent's continued practice as a nurse is a clear and immediate danger to public health, safety and welfare. The motion was seconded by Geraldine Marrocco and passed unanimously. A hearing will be scheduled for January 19, 2022.

Sheryl Lacoursiere, RN, APRN Petition Nos. 2021-1072; 2021-1199

Staff Attorney Joelle Newton presented the Board with a Motion for Summary Suspension for Sheryl Lacoursiere. Respondent was present with Attorney Ellen Costello.

Cynthia Arpin moved to grant the Department's Motion for Summary Suspension in that respondent's continued practice as a nurse is a clear and immediate danger to public health, safety, and welfare. The motion was seconded by Geraldine Marrocco and passed unanimously. A hearing will be scheduled for January 19, 2022.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion by Geraldine Marrocco, seconded by Cynthia Arpin the meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

Patricia C. Bouffard, D.N.Sc., Chair Board of Examiners for Nursing