

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

The **Board of Examiners for Nursing** held a meeting on October 18, 2017 at the Legislative Office Building, Room 1-D, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Patricia C. Bouffard, RN, Chair Aimee Ballard, LPN Mary M. Brown, RN Elizaida Delgado, LPN Jennifer Long, APRN Geraldine Marrocco, RN
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:	Mary Dietmann, RN Lisa S. Freeman, Public Member Gina M. Reiners, RN
ALSO PRESENT:	Stacy Schulman, Legal Counsel to the Board, DPH Dana Dalton, Supervising Nurse Consultant, DPH Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, DPH Brittany Allen, Staff Attorney, DPH Leslie Scoville, Staff Attorney, DPH Jeffrey A. Kardys, Administrative Hearings Specialist, DPH Gail Gregoriades, Court Reporter

Chair Patricia Bouffard called the meeting to order at 8:30a.m.

STUDENTS

Chair Bouffard welcomed students from Lincoln Technical Institute (Shelton and New Britain Campuses) and Western Connecticut State University.

CHAIR UPDATES

Nothing to report

OPEN FORUM

Ms. Denna Staples, LPN, Department of Developmental Services (DDS) addressed the Board concerning issues relating to the delegation of nursing functions to unlicensed assistive personnel in the DDS South Region, as directed by the Director of Nursing and the RN Supervisor.

Ms. Staples reported that tasks that are being delegated to unlicensed assistive personnel include blood glucose monitoring, G-Tube connect/reconnect; suctioning, colostomy care, etc.

This matter will be forwarded to Department of Public Health for review

NATIONAL COUNCIL STATE BOARDS OF NURSING

Chair Bouffard provided an overview of the NCSBN Annual Meeting that was attended by herself, Mary Dietmann, Geraldine Marrocco, and Dana Dalton, RN from Department of Public Health. The meeting was held in Chicago from August 15, 2017 through August 18, 2017. Chair Bouffard and Ms. Dalton served as Connecticut's delegates during the Delegate Assembly.

- Chair Bouffard attended the NCSBN Board President Networking Session and Ms. Dalton attended the Executive Officer Networking Session Highlights of the session included updates regarding the recent FTC round table meeting and the Tri Regulator Conference, data on opioid overdoses and deaths, 2017 NCSBM Workforce Supply/Demand Project and 2017 EOLC Summit Survey Results.
- Mary Wakefield, PhD, RN, Former Active Deputy Secretary, Health and Human Services, presented "the Next Era of Regulation: Partnerships for Change". An update was provided regarding Telehealth and Simulation Guidelines and a presentation was made titled, "The Future of Nursing: Mobile Technology, Robotics, and More".

- Other topics of interest include:
The Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact becomes effective on January 19, 2018. 26 states have enacted legislation for implement.
The Department of Veteran Affairs has been working to allow full practice authority for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses.

MINUTES

Mary Brown made a motion, seconded by Jennifer Long, to add the review and approval of the August and September minutes to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer Long made a motion, seconded by Geraldine Marrocco, August 23, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer Long made a motion, seconded by Geraldine Marrocco, to approve the minutes from September 20, 2017. The motion passed with all in favor except Aimee Ballard who abstained.

MEMORANDA OF DECISION

Lisa Piatak, LPN - Petition No. 2016-1062

Jennifer Long moved to affirm the Board's prior decision that Ms. Piatak cease and desist from practicing as a licensed practical nurse license until her license is reinstated. The motion was seconded by Elizaida Delgado and passed unanimously. Chair Bouffard signed the.

Maria Roach, RN - Petition No. 2015-160

Aimee Ballard moved to affirm the Board's prior decision that Ms. Roach's registered nurse license be revoked. The motion was seconded by Jennifer Long and passed unanimously. Chair Bouffard signed the Order.

MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Lori Riley, RN - Petition No. 2017-1060

Staff Attorney Brittany Allen presented the Board with a Motion for Summary Suspension for Lori Riley. Ms. Riley was not present and was not represented by counsel.

Mary Brown 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. Chair Bouffard signed the Summary Suspension Order. A hearing will be scheduled for November 15, 2017.

CONSENT ORDERS

Kristin Brice, LPN - Petition No. 2015-1510

Staff Attorney Leslie Scoville presented the Board with a Consent Order for Kristin Brice. Ms. Brice was not present and was not represented by counsel. Mary Brown moved and Jennifer Long seconded, to reject the Consent Order as written.

During discussion it was the consensus of the Board that course work relating to nursing ethics and a course relating to the scope of practice of licensed practical nurse be added to the Consent Order. The motion to reject the Consent Order as written passed unanimously.

HEARINGS

Ryan Buynicki, RN – Petition No. 2016-1092

Staff Attorney Brittany Allen was present for the Department of Public Health. Mr. Buynicki was not present and was not represented by counsel.

Jennifer Long made a motion, seconded by Elizaida Delgado that the Board grant the Department of Public Health's oral motion to deem the allegations admitted based on an Answer to the Statement of Charges not being filed. The motion passed unanimously.

Following close of the hearing the Board conducted fact-finding on the record.

Jennifer Long moved and Geraldine Marrocco seconded that Mr. Buynicki be found as charged. The motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer Long moved and Geraldine Marrocco seconded that Mr. Buynicki's license be revoked immediately. The motion passed unanimously.

Dian Miller Francis, LPN Petition No. 2017-737

Principal Attorney Matthew Antonetti was present for the Department of Public Health. Ms. Miller Francis was present with Attorney Kevin Green.

Attorney Antonetti and Attorney Green requested that this hearing be continued to allow the parties to pursue settlement negotiations. Jennifer Long moved and Mary Brown seconded that the continuance be granted. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

It was the unanimous decision of the Board Members present to adjourn this meeting at 10:01 a.m.

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