

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR NURSING

DATE: August 7, 2024

TIME: 8:30 AM

LOCATION: Via Microsoft TEAMS

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

MEETING MINUTES

Name	Member	Present (Y/N)	DPH STAFF	Present (Y/N)
Gina Reiners, PhD, APRN, PMHNP-BC, PMHCNS-BC, Chairperson	RN Member	Y	Liz Bannon, AAG	Y
Cynthia L. Arpin, EdD, MSN, RN	RN Member	Y	Alina Bricklin-Goldstein, AAG	Y
Salvatore Diaz, DNP, MSN, RN	RN Member	Y	Joelle Newton, DPH	Y
Mary E. Dietmann, EdD, APRN, ACNS-BC, CNE	RN Member	Y	Linda Fazzina, DPH	Y
Lisa Freeman, BA	Public	Y	Aden Baume, DPH	Y
Rebecca Martinez, LPN	LPN Member	N	Anthony Nanni, DPH	Y
Camille Payne, APRN	APRN Member	Y	Stacy Schulman, DPH	Y
Cheryl-Ann Resha	Public Member	Y	Brett Moody, DPH	Y
			Betty Rozario, DPH	Y
			Laurie Falaro, DPH	Y
			Susanne Cammarata, DPH	Y
			Bethany Buckridge, DPH	Y
			Inna Erlikh, DPH	Y
			Laura Morris, DPH	Y
			Chereece Reynolds, DPH	Y
			Laurie Falaro, DPH	Y
			Dana Dalton, DPH	Y
			Charai Bellini, DPH	Y
			Sara Montauti, DPH	Y
			Lavita Sookram, DPH	Y
			Lisa Yu, DPH	Y
			Gillian VanderVliet, DPH	Y
			Olive Tronchin, DPH	Y
			Patricia Calderone, DPH	Y
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			Patricia Calderone, DPH	Y

CALL TO ORDER: 8:31 AM

Cynthia Arpin moved to add to the consent order for Lori M. Aleksiewicz, LPN, Petition No. 2022-982 & 2023-517 under Agenda item #2 Consent Order. Salvatore Diaz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

MINUTES OF JULY 17, 2024, REGULAR MEETING

The draft minutes of the July 17, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Cheryl-Ann Resha moved to approve the minutes. Mary Dietmann seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Noreen G. Espeut-Richards, RN Petition No. 2022-1100. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton appeared for the Department. Respondent was not present. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton provided a synopsis of the matter. Mary Dietmann moved to summarily suspended Respondent. Cynthia Arpin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

CONSENT ORDER

Patrick L. Gagnon, APRN, Petition No. 2023-1252. Staff Attorney Anthony Nanni appeared for the Department. Respondent was not present. Cheryl-Ann Resha moved to approve the consent order. Salvatore Diaz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

Lori M. Aleksiewicz, LPN, Petition No. 2022-982 & 2023-517. Staff Attorney Anthony Nanni appeared for the Department. Respondent was not present. Mary Dietmann moved to approve the consent order. Salvatore Diaz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Kenisha Hieka Rose, RN, Petition No. 2022-1119. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton appeared for the Department. Attorney James Demetriades appeared on behalf of the Respondent. Mary Dietmann moved to deny the petition based on the Department's objection to the Respondent's petition for reconsideration. Salvatore Diaz seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion received '2' Nay votes and 4 'Aye' votes resulting in the motion's approval.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

Chereee Reynolds, RN, Petition No 2023-241. Mary Dietmann moved to approve the memorandum of decision as presented. Respondent was in attendance. Cynthia Arpin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

MOTION TO AMEND STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Erin K. Fitzpatrick, RN, Petition No 2024-762. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton represented the Department. Respondent was not present. Salvatore Diaz moved to approve the amended statement of charges. Mary Dietmann seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

DISCUSSION OF NOTICE ISSUE

Lalaynya Grilley, RN, Petition No. 2022-106 & 2023-156. AAG Alina Bricklin-Goldstein explained that this item was added to the Agenda due to the determination that Ms. Grilley was only notified of her original hearing via email rather than via certified or first-class mail. The statutes and regulations require that notice be sent mail. During the covid pandemic these rigid requirements were suspended due to the nature of the public health emergency. The executive orders expired in May 2023 and once that occurred

electronic notice was no longer sufficient. Ms. Grilley never responded to any correspondence and did not appear at her hearing. The recommendation to the Board was that the matter be revisited, and that Ms. Grilley be given an opportunity for a re-hearing. She will be sent a new hearing date and be notified according to the regulations.

Salvatore Diaz moved to re-open the hearing and re-notice a second day. Cheryl-Ann Resha seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion was approved by roll call vote.

HEARINGS

Michelle E. McDonald, RN, Petition No. 2022-1111. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton appeared for the Department. Both Respondent and Attorney Stephen Manning were in attendance.

Mary Dietmann made a motion to deem all allegations admitted. Cindy Arpin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

Following the close of the hearing, the Board conducted fact-finding. Mary Dietmann made a motion, seconded by Cynthia Arpin, that the Respondent be found on all charges. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

Juliette Anne Cole, RN, Petition No 2024-657. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina appeared for the Department. Respondent represented herself. Ms. Cole stated that she had not received information from the Department. Information was re-sent and her hearing will be continued and re-scheduled to another Board meeting to allow her time to prepare.

Cindy Bristol, RN, Petition No. 2022-1094. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton appeared for the Department. Respondent represented herself. Due to time restrictions, this hearing will be continued and re-scheduled to another Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Salvatore Diaz made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Cheryl-Ann Resha.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25.