CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR NURSING
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 17, 2026

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Gina Reiners, Chairperson, PhD, APRN, PMHNP-BC, PMHCNS-BC
Salvatore Diaz, RN Member, DNP, MSN, RN
Mary Dietmann, RN Member, EdD, APRN, ACNS-BC, CNE
Lisa Freeman, Public Member, BA
Elizabeth Rivera-Rodriguez, RN Member, DNP, MSN, MPH, RN

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Cynthia Arpin, RN Member, EdD, MSN, RN
Camille Payne, APRN Member, MPH, MSN, APRN, DNP
Dianthus Whittley, LPN Member, LPN

DPH STAFF PRESENT:

Elizabeth Bannon	Brett Karpuska
Aden Baume	Luis Maldonado
Charai Belini	Sara Montauti
Susanne Cammarata	Anthony Nanni
Julienne Cutaia	Joelle Newton
Dana Dalton	Stacy Schulman
Linda Fazzina	

A regular meeting of the Board of Examiners for Nursing was held via Microsoft Teams on June 17, 2026. The meeting was convened at 8:31 a.m. Attendance was taken by roll call.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The draft minutes of the June 3, 2026 meeting were reviewed. Lisa Freeman moved to approve the minutes. Salvatore Diaz seconded the motion. The motion was approved. Mary Dietmann and Elizabeth Rivera-Rodriguez abstained. Cynthia Arpin, Camille Payne, and Dianthus Whittley were not present for the vote.

PROPOSED MEMORANDUM OF DECISION AND SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEFS

Rochelle George, RN, APRN, Petition Nos. 2025-299, 2025-298. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina appeared on behalf of the Department. The Respondent was present and represented by Attorney Arnold Ira Menchel. This matter continued from the Board's June 3, 2026 meeting. Pursuant to the Board's request, the parties had submitted written briefs prior to the meeting, which addressed two legal issues.

Deputy Legal Director Elizabeth Bannon, counsel to the Board, reviewed the procedural framework under the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act, the process governing consideration of a proposed memorandum of decision, and the procedural options available to the Board. Counsel also provided recommendations regarding the Board's authority and available courses of action.

The Board began the process of its review of the proposed memorandum of decision but could not complete the review due to time constraints.

Consideration of the proposed memorandum of decision and supplemental materials will be continued at a future meeting. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Salvatore Diaz made a motion to adjourn. Elizabeth Rivera-Rodriguez seconded the motion.
The meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.