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## MICHIGAN BOARD OF NURSING MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2013

### APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Nursing met in regular session on September 12, 2013, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

### ***CALL TO ORDER***

Ronald Basso, Public Member, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### ***ROLL CALL***

***Members Present:*** Ronald Basso, Public Member, Vice Chairperson  
Reginald T. Armstrong, Public Member  
Kelly Beranek, RN, BSN  
Kathy Bouchard-Wyant, RN, BA  
James Childress, Public Member  
Jill DeVries, L.P.N.  
Lars Egede-Nissen, Public Member  
Michael Ferency, Public Member  
Paula Hopper, RN, MSN  
Denise Howard, LPN (arrived at 9:40 a.m.)  
Elaine Leigh, DNP, RN, FNP-BC  
Tiffany McDonald, RN  
Joshua Meringa, MPA, MHA, BSN, RN-BC, ONC  
Glenn O'Connor, CRNA, MS  
LaDonna Schultz, Public Member  
Elaine Stefanski, LPN  
Kristoffer Tobbe, Public Member  
Mary VanderKolk, RN, MSN  
Mary Brown, RN (arrived at 9:30 a.m.)

**Members Absent:** Roselyn Argyle, RN  
Mary Corrado, Public Member  
Cynthia Fenske, RN, DNP, CNE  
Sondra Velez, CNM

**Staff Present:** Amy Schneider, Secretary, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section  
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section  
Elaine Barr, Policy Analyst, Policy, Rules and Board Support Section  
Joe Campbell, Enforcement Division Director  
Wendy Helmic, Enforcement Analyst, Enforcement Division (left at 9:30 a.m.)  
Bruce Johnson, Assistant Attorney General

**Others Present:** Jessica Holmes, Ferris State University  
Janis Campbell, Chamberlain  
Adele Webb, Chamberlain  
Sandra Wellius, Davenport University  
Karen Day, Davenport University  
Carol Holmes, Attorney  
Sara Snyder  
Nancy Short, Governor Snyder's Office  
Tom Sparks, Attorney  
Debra Nault, Michigan Nurses Association  
Laura Majewski, Stautzenberger Institute  
Lois Stotter, Stautzenberger Institute

## ***INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS***

Basso welcomed all Board members and asked staff and Board members to introduce themselves.

## ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

*MOTION* by Armstrong, seconded by Leigh, to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2013 meeting as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***APPROVAL OF AGENDA***

*MOTION* by Tobbe, seconded by Bouchard-Wyant, to approve the agenda as presented.

*MOTION PREVAILED*



- b) automatic reclassification.

Upon reinstatement of the limited license, Petitioner shall be placed on probation for a minimum period of three (3) years with the following terms:

- a) shall submit quarterly employer reports.
- b) comply with her HPRP monitoring agreement.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed:   Yeas – Armstrong, Beranek, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Ferency, Hopper, Howard, Leigh, McDonald, Meringa, Schultz, Stefanski, Tobbe, VanderKolk, Basso  
Nay – Childress  
Abstain – O'Connor

*MOTION PREVAILED*

**Edward Francis Gervais, RN – Request for Reconsideration**

Johnson recused himself from discussion of the case and left the room.

*MOTION* by Tobbe, seconded by Vanderkolk, to deny the Request for Reconsideration in the matter of Edward Francis Gervais, RN.

A roll call vote was held:   Yeas – Armstrong, Beranek, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Childress, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Ferency, Howard, Leigh, McDonald, Meringa, Schultz, Stefanski, Tobbe, VanderKolk, Basso  
Abstain – O'Connor, Hopper

*MOTION PREVAILED*

**Carter Akinyemi Akinruli, LPN – Proposal for Decision**

*MOTION* by Hopper, seconded by Meringa, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant Reinstatement under the following terms and conditions in the matter of matter of Carter Akinyemi Akinruli, LPN.

- 1) Prior to reinstatement, Petitioner must complete the NCLEX and theory portion of a nursing refresher course.
- 2) Upon proof of the successful completion of the NCLEX and the theory portion of a nursing refresher course, a limited license will be granted for the sole purpose of completing the clinical portion of a nurse refresher course.

- 3) Upon successful completion of the clinical portion of the nursing refresher course, Petitioner shall be granted a full and unlimited license and shall be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years, with the following terms:

- a) submit quarterly employer reports.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed:   Yeas – Armstrong, Beranek, Bouchard-Wyant, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Ferency, Hopper, Howard, Leigh, McDonald, Meringa, Schultz, Stefanski, Tobbe, VanderKolk, Basso  
Nay – Childress  
Abstain – Brown, O'Connor

*MOTION PREVAILED*

**Rosy Uche Alagbe, RN – Proposal for Decision**

*MOTION* by Egede-Nissen, seconded by Meringa, to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny reinstatement in the matter of Rosy Uche Alagbe, RN.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed:   Yeas – Armstrong, Beranek, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Childress, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Ferency, Hopper, Howard, Leigh, McDonald, Meringa, Schultz, Stefanski, Tobbe, VanderKolk, Basso  
Abstain – O'Connor

*MOTION PREVAILED*

**Dawn Marie Collom, RN – Proposal for Decision**

*MOTION* by DeVries, seconded by Stefanski, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant Reinstatement under the following terms and conditions in the matter of Dawn Marie Collom, RN:

- 1) Petitioner shall be granted a limited license for a minimum period of one (1) year, with the following terms:
  - a) shall not have access to controlled substances.
  - b) direct on-site supervision.
  - c) automatic reclassification.

2) Petitioner shall be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years with the following terms:

- a) shall submit quarterly employer reports.
- b) comply with her HPRP monitoring agreement.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Armstrong, Beranek, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Childress, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Ferency, Hopper, Howard, Leigh, McDonald, Meringa, Schultz, Stefanski, Tobbe, VanderKolk, Basso  
Abstain – O'Connor

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Stephanie Marie Winford, RN, LPN – Proposal for Decision**

*MOTION* by Beranek, seconded by Stefanski, to accept the Proposal for Decision and grant Reinstatement under the following terms and conditions in the matter of Stephanie Marie Winford, RN, LPN:

- 1) Petitioner shall be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years, with the following terms and conditions:
  - a) submit quarterly employer reports.
  - b) shall undergo an HPRP evaluation and comply with her HPRP monitoring agreement, if recommended.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Armstrong, Beranek, Bouchard-Wyant, Brown, Childress, DeVries, Egede-Nissen, Ferency, Hopper, Howard, Leigh, Meringa, Schultz, Stefanski, Tobbe, VanderKolk, Basso  
Abstain – McDonald, O'Connor

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## ***COMMITTEE REPORTS***

### **Disciplinary Subcommittee**

Schultz reported that the Disciplinary Subcommittee met three times since the last meeting and will meet again after today's meeting. Schultz reported that the DSC reviewed over 100 regulatory cases.

Schultz requested that conferees be notified whenever their cases are rejected with counter-offers.

### **Rules Committee**

Basso reported that after the last Board Meeting in June, Lind provided the Rules committee with notes pertaining to what questions or issues remain regarding the draft rules. Lind also provided the committee with a survey on what other states require for relicensure of nurses whose licenses have lapsed 0 to 5 and 5+ years. Lind informed that Barr will resume drafting the rules and that the next committee will meet by teleconference.

### **Licensure Committee**

The Licensure Committee was dissolved.

### **Education Committee**

Hopper directed the Board to the Education Committee LPN Report and provided a verbal highlight of same. See Addendum #1.

**MOTION** by Hopper, seconded by Brown, to accept the following motion presented by the Education Committee:

***Motion #1** by the committee to approve the LPN program decision for Baker College of Auburn Hills, Dorsey Schools, Grand Rapids Community College, Lake Superior State University, Montcalm Community College, and Stautzenberger Institute.*

A voice vote followed.

**MOTION PREVAILED**

Hopper directed the Board to the Education Committee RN Report and provided a verbal highlight of same. See Addendum #2.

**MOTION** by Hopper, seconded by Meringa, to accept the following motion presented by the Education Committee:

***Motion #1** by the committee to accept the Annual Reports, self-studies, major program changes, site visits, and faculty exceptions submitted by Andrews University, Baker College, Baker College of Auburn Hills, Baker College of Owosso, Calvin College, Chamberlain College of Nursing, Davenport University, Finlandia University, Grand*

*Rapids Community College, Grand Valley State University, Henry Ford Community College, Hope College, Jackson College, Kirtland Community College, Lake Superior State University, Monroe County Community College, Montcalm Community College, St. Clair County Community College, and Saginaw Valley State University.*

A voice vote followed.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Elections**

Basso ran the election for Chair.

*MOTION* by DeVries, seconded by Stefanski, to elect Meringa as Chairperson.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

Meringa ran the election for Vice Chair.

*MOTION* by Hopper, seconded by Armstrong, to elect Basso as Vice Chairperson.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Resolution**

*MOTION* by Egede-Nissen, seconded by Bouchard-Wyant, to honor out-going Board members Kathleen Lavery, R.N., M.S., Nina Bugbee, R.N., and Earl Auty, R.N., C.R.N.A., M.S., with resolutions recognizing their years of service on the Board.

*MOTION PREVAILED*

### **Committee Assignments**

Meringa assigned committee members as follows:

- Rules: Basso (Chair), Meringa, Beranek, Howard, DeVries, Ferency
- Education: Hopper (Chair), Argyle, Armstrong, Fenske, Leigh, VanderKolk

- Disciplinary Subcommittee: Schultz (Chair), Brown, Bouchard-Wyant, Egede-Nissen, McDonald, Corrado (alternate), Stefanski (alternate), Velez (alternate).

The 2014 Conferee schedule was sent around for Board members to sign up.

New Board members were assigned mentors as follows: Denise Howard (Josh Meringa), Kelly Beranek (Ron Basso), and Tiffany McDonald (LaDonna Schultz).

**Deborah Bach-Stante, RN, MPH – Director, Office of Nursing Policy Office-  
Department of Community Health**

Bach-Stante introduced herself and explained her role with the Department of Community Health.

**Chairperson's Report**

None

**Vice-Chairperson's Report**

Basso reported that the duties of the Acting Chair have kept him busy over the summer, and he learned there are many additional responsibilities that go with being a Chair. He reviewed many requests for CE approval, and wanted to thank both Meringa and Hopper for their assistance, as well as Lavery. They were all very gracious in providing guidance and their input was truly invaluable. Basso also reported that he reviewed and approved many summary suspensions, as well as other requests, and assisted with compliance conferences, as needed. He stated his summer was quite busy.

**National Conference Update:**

Meringa stated that DeVries, Meringa and Lind attended the (NCSBN) National Council of State Boards of Nursing meeting, held in Providence, Rhode Island on August 14-16, 2013. He summarized the following topics of discussion:

- Adopted proposed 2014-16 strategic initiatives.
- Amendments to NCSBN bylaws approved.
- Revised Member Board agreement approved.
- Member Board membership fees set to zero approved.
- Associate Members approved: Association of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador, College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Manitoba, Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland.
- Adopted proposed NCLEX-PN test plan.
- Adopted slate of candidates for NCSBN offices (Board Members, Leadership Succession Committee).
- Attended awards reception.

- Networking with other Board Members/Presidents from various states.
- General Sessions (Abraham Lincoln impersonator, e-Patient Dave).

DeVries stated that she enjoyed networking, and commented that the NCSBN 101 online training is a valuable learning tool. She also summarized other topics of discussions held at the NCSBN meeting.

Hopper stated that she attended the (NCSBN) National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCLEX) National Council Licensure Examination meeting, held in Chicago, Illinois on September 9, 2013. Major topics discussed included the ongoing process of developing the exam and the research that goes into it, including practice analysis and a survey of the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to safely practice as a new RN or LPN. Updates: As of 2015, Canadian graduates will be taking our NCLEX; the exam will be translated into French for French-speaking Canadians. Following the new passing standard this year, there has been a 9% drop in students passing NCLEX-RN so far. It is expected to rebound next year, as is usually the case.

## **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Lind informed that the Michigan Public Health Code is being reviewed by a committee appointed by the Michigan Department of Community Health, and chaired by Lawrence Burns, a Grand Rapids attorney, to determine what revisions are needed. The committee will provide its recommendations to the DCH by late January, 2014.

Basso sent an email suggestion to Carole Engle, Bureau Director, recommending that a representative from the Department serve on the committee.

## ***PUBLIC COMMENT***

Debra Nault, RN, MS, representing Michigan Nurses Association, introduced herself to the Board and spoke briefly about CEU criteria.

Sara Snyder suggested Birthing Centers should be under the same regulation as Nurses.

Dawn Collom thanked the Board for its consideration of her case.

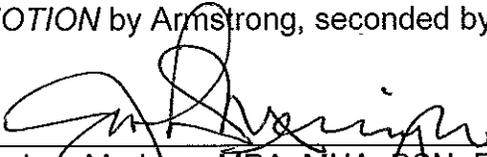
Leigh inquired about the status of the Allegation Review Committee. Lind will add this topic to the next agenda.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held November 7, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION* by Armstrong, seconded by VanderKolk, to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

  
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Joshua Meringa, MPA, MHA, BSN, RN-BC, ONC,  
Chairperson

11/7/13  
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Date Minutes Approved

  
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Amy Schneider, Board Secretary

9.12.13  
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Date Minutes Prepared

## ADDENDUM #1

### EDUCATION COMMITTEE LPN REPORT

September 11, 2013  
Conference Room A, 1:30-3:30  
Chairperson: P. Hopper

Members: R. Argyle (absent), R. Armstrong, C. Fenske, E. Leigh, M. VanderKolk

**NOTE:** All Board members may vote on this report, pursuant to MCL 333.16148.

**INFORMATIONAL CHANGES** – *The Bureau received the following nursing director changes.*

*No motion is required.*

#### **Nursing Director Change**

- a) Patricia Jones is the interim director at Everest Institute Southfield effective August 20, 2013.
- b) Kris Garcia is the interim Director of Nursing at Lansing Community College effective June 14, 2013.
- c) Beth Hubbard is the new Director of Nursing at Kirtland Community College effective July 1, 2013.
- d) Lori Przymusinski has been appointed to the position of Interim Dean of Nursing and Health Professions and Nancy Wong has been appointed to the position of Interim Associate Dean of Nursing and Health Professions at Oakland Community College. These changes were effective July 1, 2013 and will remain effective until January 1, 2014.

**COMMITTEE ACTIONS:** *The committee reviewed the following program-related requests:*

#### **Annual Reports**

Grand Rapids Community College (PN)  
The report was received and approved.

Lake Superior State University (PN)  
The report was received and approved. Please resubmit page 3 with clinical sites.

Montcalm Community College (PN)  
The report was received and approved.

#### **Major Program Change**

Baker College of Auburn Hills (PN)  
The major program change was received and approved.

**Dorsey Schools (PN)**

The major program change was received and approved.

**Site Visits**

**Stautzenberger Institute (PN)**

The site visit concerns have been addressed and approved. The program may begin enrollment.

***Motion #1*** by the committee to approve the LPN program decision for Baker College of Auburn Hills, Dorsey Schools, Grand Rapids Community College, Lake Superior State University, Montcalm Community College, and Stautzenberger Institute.

## ADDENDUM #2

### EDUCATION COMMITTEE RN REPORT

September 11, 2013

Conference Room A, 1:30-3:30

Chairperson: P. Hopper

Members: R. Argyle (absent), R. Armstrong, C. Fenske, E. Leigh, M. VanderKolk

**PLEASE NOTE:** Pursuant to MCL 333.16148(5), a Board member who is a LPN cannot vote on RN program actions.

**INFORMATIONAL CHANGES** – *The Bureau received the following minor program and nursing director changes.*

*No motion is required.*

#### **Minor Program Change**

- a) Jackson College was granted minor changes for the school name change, the pre-requisite course elimination, the deletion of NUR 170, and the reduction of credits in NUR 277 from 5 to 4, which will reduce the ADN credits to 70 and 57 in the LPN-ADN program.
- b) St. Clair County Community College was granted a minor change for the replacing of ADN230 and ADN 200/200L with ADN201/201L to consolidate the Transition ADN tracks into one.

#### **Nursing Director Change**

- a) Kris Garcia is the interim Director of Nursing at Lansing Community College effective June 14, 2013.
- b) Beth Hubbard is the new Director of Nursing at Kirtland Community College effective July 1, 2013.
- c) Dr. Joyce Thompson is the interim Director of Nursing at Western Michigan University, Bronson School of Nursing effective July 8, 2013.
- d) Lori Przymusinski has been appointed to the position of Interim Dean of Nursing and Health Professions, and Nancy Wong has been appointed to the position of Interim Associate Dean of Nursing and Health Professions at Oakland Community College. These changes were effective July 1, 2013 and will remain effective until January 1, 2014.
- e) Dr. Susan Owens will be assuming the role of Interim Department Chair for the School of Nursing at Ferris State University with the start of the 2013-14 academic year effective August 19, 2013.
- f) Dr. Shake' Ketefian is the Interim Director of the Bronson School of Nursing at Western Michigan University effective August 19, 2013.

**COMMITTEE ACTIONS:** *The committee reviewed the following program-related requests:*

### **Annual Report**

#### **Andrews University (BSN)**

The report was received and approved. The committee expresses concern and will continue to monitor NCLEX scores. The outcomes do not reflect contemporary nursing practice, such as: quality and safety (QSEN), nursing process, clinical judgment, professional identity, etc.

#### **Calvin College (BSN)**

The report was received and approved.

#### **Finlandia University (BSN)**

The report was received and approved. The committee commends the NCLEX Improvement plan.

#### **Grand Rapids Community College (ADN)**

The report was received and approved.

#### **Grand Valley State University (BSN)**

The report was received and approved. Resubmit page 3 with clinical sites. There are questions on 3 faculty: Debra Robles, Shauna Higgens, and Heather Wallace-Renter. The committee commends the program's excellent NCLEX pass rates.

#### **Henry Ford Community College (ADN)**

The report was received and approved.

#### **Hope College (BSN)**

The report was received and approved. The committee commends the NCLEX pass rates.

#### **Lake Superior State University (BSN)**

The report was received and approved. Resubmit page 3 with clinical sites. The committee commends NCLEX pass rates.

#### **Montcalm Community College (ADN)**

The report was received and approved.

### **Self-Study**

#### **Chamberlain College (BSN)**

The self study was received and approved. A site visit will be ordered.

### **Major Program Change**

#### **Baker College (BSN)**

The major program change was received and approved.

#### **Hope College (BSN)**

The major program change was received and approved. The committee requests the new outcomes in the leveled format.

**Saginaw Valley State University (BSN)**

The major program change was received and approved for enrollment increase to 224.

**Site Visit**

Davenport University (BSN) Lansing campus

The site visit was received and approved. The program may start enrollment.

**Faculty Exception**

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|----|--|---------------------------|----------|----------------|
| a) | Kimberly Harr<br>Baker College of Owosso           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> exception | Clinical | expires 9/2014 |
| b) | Alysia Gilreath<br>Baker College of Owosso         | 1 <sup>st</sup> exception |          | expires 9/2014 |
| c) | Suzanne Luggier<br>Baker College of Auburn Hills   | 1 <sup>st</sup> exception |          | expires 9/2014 |
| d) | Kimberly Holt<br>Montcalm Community College        | 1 <sup>st</sup> exception |          | expires 9/2014 |
| e) | Kelly Perry<br>Monroe County Community College     | 1 <sup>st</sup> exception | Clinical | expires 9/2014 |
| f) | Alicia Williamson<br>Kirtland Community College    | 1 <sup>st</sup> exception | Clinical | expires 9/2014 |
| g) | Dianna Evans<br>St. Clair County Community College | 1 <sup>st</sup> exception | Clinical | expires 9/2014 |
| h) | Pamela McVey<br>Jackson College                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> exception | Clinical | expires 9/2014 |

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