

The **Board of Examiners for Nursing** held a meeting on August 18, 2010 at the Legislative Office Building, Room 1-A, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Patricia Bouffard, RN, Chair – left for the day at 12:30 PM  
Mary M. Brown, RN  
Tarah Cherry, Public Member  
Jennifer Long, APRN  
Danielle O’Connell, RN  
Katherine Pellerin, RN  
Maria Pietrantuono, RN  
Donna Roberts, LPN  
Kathy K. Shea, Public Member

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Heidi Darling, LPN  
Veronica Kivela, Public Member  
Mertie Terry, Public Member

**ALSO PRESENT:** Stacy Owens, Counsel to the Board, DPH  
Diane Cybulski, Supervising Nurse Consultant, DPH  
Pamela Pelletier, Nurse Consultant, DPH  
Nancy Stefanski, Nurse Consultant, DPH  
Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH  
Leslie Scoville, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH  
David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH  
Diane Wilan, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH  
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Administrative Hearings Specialist, DPH  
Pohn Kwee, Secretary II, DPH  
Gail Gregoriades, Court Reporter

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

WELCOME

Chair Bouffard welcomed Danielle O’Connell to the Board. Ms. O’Connell was appointed to the Board by Governor Rell on August 10, 2010 as a registered nurse member.

STUDENTS

Chair Bouffard welcomed students from Porter and Chester Institute

SCHOOL ISSUES - WAIVER REQUEST – NAUGATUCK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Joanne Ottman presented the Board with a request for a permanent waiver for Patricia O’Brien Winn. Katherine Pellerin moved and Mary Brown seconded to grant this request. The motion passed unanimously.

SCHOOL ISSUES – WAIVER REQUEST – ST. VINCENT’S COLLEGE

Pamela Pelletier presented the Board with a request for a one-year temporary faculty education waiver extension for Karri Davis. Maria Pietrantuono moved and Jennifer Long seconded to grant this request. The motion passed unanimously.

## SCHOOL ISSUES – GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Sheila Solernou presented the Board with two faculty education waiver requests. The Board reviewed the documentation presented.

Katherine Pellerin moved and Mary Brown seconded to deny the permanent waiver to Ellen Pfeiffer. The motion passed unanimously.

Maria Pietrantuono moved and Jennifer Long seconded to grant a one-year temporary faculty education waiver for Rosa Rodriguez. The motion passed unanimously.

## SCHOOL ISSUES – LINCOLN TECH – WAIVER REQUESTS - SHELTON CAMPUS

Jo-Ann Dean presented the Board with three waiver requests for the Shelton Campus.

Mary Brown moved and Tarah Cherry seconded to grant the three-month temporary faculty education waiver for Barbara Kudysch pending receipt of updated resume to be sent to Pamela Pelletier. The motion passed with all in favor.

Jennifer Long moved and Katherine Pellerin seconded to grant the one-year temporary faculty education waiver for Donna Lisewski. The motion passed with all in favor.

Jennifer Long moved and Mary Brown seconded to grant the seven-month temporary faculty education waiver for Rayne Salemme. The motion passed with all in favor.

## MINUTES

### JUNE 2, 2010

Katherine Pellerin moved and Maria Pietrantuono seconded that the minutes be approved as edited. The motion passed with all in favor with the following abstentions: Jennifer Long, Tarah Cherry, and Danielle O'Connell.

### JUNE 16, 2010

Maria Pietrantuono moved and Jennifer Long seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed with all in favor with the following abstentions: Kathy Shea, Donna Roberts, Tarah Cherry, Danielle O'Connell.

### JULY 21, 2010

Maria Pietrantuono moved and Jennifer Long seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed with all in favor with the following abstentions: Katherine Pellerin, Danielle O'Connell, Tarah Cherry, and Kathy Shea.

## MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION – KATY DUCLOS, LPN

Legal Office Attorney Diane Wilan presented the Board with a Motion for Summary Suspension for Katy Duclos. Ms. Duclos was not present and did not have representation at this meeting. Donna Roberts moved and Mary Brown seconded to grant the Motion for Summary Suspension. The motion passed with all in favor. Chair Bouffard signed the Notice of Hearing scheduling the hearing for September 1, 2011.

#### MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION – TAMMY RYERSON, LPN

Legal Office Attorney Leslie Scoville presented the Board with a Motion for Summary Suspension for Tammy Ryerson. Ms. Ryerson was present with counsel. Katherine Pellerin moved and Maria Pietrantuono seconded to grant the Motion for Summary Suspension. The motion passed with all in favor. Chair Bouffard signed the Notice of Hearing scheduling the hearing for September 1, 2011.

#### REINSTATEMENT CONSENT ORDER – LISA HIBSON, RN

Legal Office Attorney David Tilles presented the Board with a Reinstatement Consent Order for Lisa Hibson. Ms. Hibson was present without representation at this meeting. Maria Pietrantuono moved and Jennifer Long seconded to accept the Reinstatement Consent Order as presented. The motion passed with all in favor.

#### CEASE & DESIST CONSENT ORDER – JUDY A. FOLLERT, RN

Legal Office Attorney Leslie Scoville presented the Board with a Cease & Desist Consent Order for Judy A. Follert. Ms. Follert was not present and did not have representation at this meeting. Maria Pietrantuono moved and Katherine Pellerin seconded to accept the Consent Order as presented. The motion passed with all in favor.

#### HEARING – CHERYL DUBOVIK, LPN

Legal Office Attorney Linda Fazzina was present representing the Department of Public Health. Ms. Dubovik was not present and did not have representation at this hearing. There was no testimony provided.

Katherine Pellerin moved and Maria Pietrantuono seconded that Ms. Dubovik be found on all charges. The motion passed with all in favor.

Katherine Pellerin moved and Maria Pietrantuono seconded that Ms. Dubovik's license be revoked. The motion passed with all in favor.

#### HEARING – MARIE FLEISCHER, RN

Legal Office Attorney Diane Wilan was present representing the Department of Public Health. Ms. Fleischer was present with counsel, Attorney Hillary Fisher Nelson. Testimony was provided by Nancy Bafundo, RN, Hartford Hospital, Pamela Pelletier, DPH, Justina Pratt, PCA, Margaret Domina, RN, Marie Fleischer, RN, and Mary Beth Scanlon. Danielle O'Connell left for the day at 4:05 PM and the hearing concluded at 4:20 PM.

Katherine Pellerin moved and Mary Brown seconded that Ms. Fleischer be found on charges 1, 2, and 3 except for "experiencing an acute grief reaction," 4 and 5 20-99(b)(2) "negligence." The motion failed relative to a find of negligence as only Patricia Bouffard, Katherine Pellerin, and Donna Roberts were in favor.

Mary Brown moved and Jennifer Long seconded that Ms. Fleischer be found on charges 1, 2, and 3 except for "experiencing an acute grief reaction," 4 and 5, 20-99(b)(2) "negligence" except that conduct of hitting a patient was below the accepted standard of care. The motion passed with all in favor with the exception of Maria Pietrantuono who was opposed.

Mary Brown moved and Maria Pietrantuono seconded that Ms. Fleisher's conduct does not rise to the level that discipline needs to be imposed because the Board found that the Respondent is extremely remorseful and because respondent took the initiative for training and education to prevent this type of situation from occurring again. The motion passed unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT

It was the unanimous decision of the Board Members present that this meeting be adjourned at 4:40 PM.