

The Georgia Board of Nursing met October 23, 2012 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

## **MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2012**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Barry Cranfill, RN, CRNA, MHS, MBA, FAAPM, President  
Mary Chatman, Ph.D. (c), RN, Vice President  
Nancy Barton, MS, RN  
Brenda Rowe, JD, MN, RN  
Katherine Mann, RN, CRNA  
Anita Hufft, PhD., RN  
Tammy Burdeaux, RN  
Ashley Barnett, Consumer

### **STAFF PRESENT**

James Cleghorn, Executive Director  
Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General, JD  
Adrienne Price, RN, MSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
Opie Bowen, Staff Attorney, Legal Services

Chatman called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, 2012.

### **CORRESPONDENCE – MEDICAL BOARD RULE POSTING**

The Board directed staff to comment on the proposed rule. The Board believes that the proposed language is contradictory to current in-person practice. The Board can find no rationale for additional oversight in this setting and sees no statutory basis for increased level of supervision and requests that the provision be deleted.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Barton moved, Rowe seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h), 43-26-5(c) and 43-26-11, to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, Chatman declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq.

Cranfill joined the meeting at 4:23 p.m.

### **INVESTIGATIONS**

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

**RNI120719** – Rowe moved to order licensee to have an expedited outpatient psychosexual MPE as a condition of the Board’s consideration of the reinstatement. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to Legal Services or Attorney General’s office for a hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI110090** – Burdeaux moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol and Professional Conduct. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI120202** – Barton moved to order licensee to have an expedited outpatient MPE as a condition of the Board’s consideration of the reinstatement. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to Legal Services or Attorney General’s office for a hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If

not warranted, issue public reprimand requiring a course in Professional Accountability. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI110282/RNI110516/RNI120259/RNI120334** – Chatman moved to deny renewal of license and refer to the Attorney General's office for a Summary Suspension based on O.C.G.A. §15-13-18. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI120786** – Rowe moved to order licensee to have an expedited outpatient psychosexual MPE as a condition of the Board's consideration of the reinstatement. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to Legal Services or Attorney General's office for a hearing or consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close the case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI120683/RNI130145** – Chatman moved to deny renewal of license and move to refer to the Attorney General's office for a voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension. The respondent may petition for restoration of license after completion of a treatment program and submission of an MPE within thirty (30) days of petition. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried Barton abstaining.

**RNI120579/RNI130149** – Rowe moved to deny renewal of license and refer to the Attorney General's office for a Summary Suspension based on O.C.G.A. §15-13-18. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE**

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

**RNI120619** – Rowe moved to accept voluntary surrender. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI100823** – Barton moved to rescind the previous motion from the September 19-20, 2012 Board meeting and refer to Attorney General's for a hearing or amended public consent order to include probation for three (3) years, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal). Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI120664** – Rowe moved to accept consent order as presented. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **LEGAL SERVICES REPORT**

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

**RNI100159** – Barton moved to deny request and uphold the previous motion from the September 19-20, 2012 Board meeting and to amend paragraph five of consent order to reflect "the Respondent is alleged to have added Hydrocodone to the bottom of the prescription for Methadone." Paragraph six is to reflect the outpatient program in current paragraph five and add paragraph seven to reflect the language that is now in paragraph six. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF CONSENT ORDER**

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**RNI100937** – Rowe moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Compliance. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI120283/RNI120650** – Barnett moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **2012-2014 RENEWAL APPLICATION REVIEW**

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

**RNI100882** – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for indefinite suspension based on action in another jurisdiction. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## **REQUEST FOR EARLY TERMINATION**

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

**RNI090456** – Chatman moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for an amended public consent order granting early termination of current consent order to include the implementation of practice restrictions in accordance with the terms of the sex offender registry. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## **VIOLATION OF CONSENT ORDER**

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

**RNI110509** – Burdeaux moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for indefinite suspension based on failure to submit aftercare and employer reports. Barton seconded the motion and it carried with Barton abstaining

## **REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

**RNI120558** – Barton moved to uphold the previous board motion from the July 18-19, 2012 Board meeting. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## **APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE**

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**RNI130166** – Rowe moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include re-entry. Within two (2) months of the docket date, applicant must submit proof of enrollment into a Board approved re-entry program. After review of proof of enrollment, a temporary permit will be issued. If no proof of enrollment is submitted and reviewed within the established time frame, the application will be withdrawn. Temporary permit and subsequent license will be on probationary terms commencing on the date of issuance of the temporary permit with probation for four (4) years, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal). No extensions of application deadlines will be granted. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Applicant D.M., #1767222** – Rowe moved to approve facility for 480 hour preceptorship. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Applicant B.H., #1775852** – Barton moved to license upon successful completion of a 480 hour preceptorship. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI130167** – Chatman moved to refer to Legal Services for a private consent agreement to include re-entry. Within two (2) months of the docket date, the applicant must submit proof of enrollment into a Board approved re-entry program. After review of proof of enrollment, a temporary permit will be issued. If no proof of enrollment is submitted and reviewed within the established time frame, the application will be withdrawn. Temporary permit and subsequent license will be on probationary terms commencing on the date of issuance of the temporary permit with tracking of the terms of the applicant's IPN contract. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI120638** – Chatman moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include probation for three (3) years, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal) based on DUI and history of diversion. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI110203** – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include probation for four (4) years, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal) and tracking criminal probation. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## **EDUCATION REPORT**

### **SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES**

**Georgia Baptist College of Nursing of Mercer University** – Barton moved to grant approval to Georgia Baptist College of Nursing of Mercer University to offer the Bachelor's degree in Nursing as an off-campus offering on the Macon campus at Mercer University beginning fall 2013. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried with Rowe abstaining.

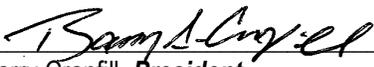
**Chattahoochee Technical College** – Rowe moved to grant approval to Chattahoochee Technical College of its proposed LPN-RN Bridge program to be implemented in fall 2013. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

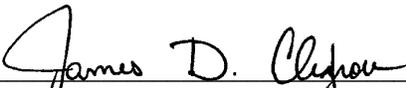
**Piedmont College** – Burdeaux moved to accept the name change from R.H. Daniel School of Nursing to R. H. Daniel School of Nursing and Health Sciences and amend Piedmont College's school leadership information at the Board office to reflect the permanent appointment of Dr. James Mellichamp as President of Piedmont College.

**Gordon College** – Rowe moved to accept the name change from Gordon College to Gordon State College as the parent institution of the Associate of Science degree in Nursing offered at Gordon State College and amend Gordon College's name change information at the Board office to reflect the substantive change in the institution's name.

**Shorter College** – Barnett moved to accept Dr. Angela Haynes as the designated nursing dean for the nursing program at Shorter College and amend Shorter College's nursing leadership information at the Board office to reflect the hiring of Dr. Haynes as the Dean of Nursing at Shorter College. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Monday, October 23, 2012 at 5:49 p.m.

  
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Barry Cranfill, **President**

  
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James Cleghorn, **Executive Director**