

The Georgia Board of Nursing met November 14-15, 2012 in Building B of the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Barry Cranfill, RN, CRNA, MHS, MBA, FAAPM, President
Nancy Barton, MS, RN
Ashley Barnett, Consumer
Brenda Rowe, JD, MN, RN
Tammy Burdeaux, RN
Katherine Mann, RN, CRNA

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mary Chatman, Ph.D. (c), RN, Vice President
Anita Hufft, PhD., RN

STAFF PRESENT

James Cleghorn, Executive Director
Janet Jackson, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Adrienne Price, RN, MSN, Nursing Consultant - Legal/Discipline

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

NF-RNI130193

Cranfill called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. on Wednesday, November 14, 2012. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Rowe moved, Barton 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.

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APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Applicant J.G., #1745644 – Barton moved to proceed with licensure by endorsement and send a letter instructing applicant to notify the Board if action is taken by the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant J.L., #1775045 – Barton moved to approve reentry program. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant E.L., #1736165 – Barton moved to approve preceptorship and moved that Susan Corkery must be the preceptor for the mental health component of the preceptorship. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant B.H., #1791563 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent agreement for reinstatement of licensure to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy) with at least quarterly blood tests, including a CBC-electrolyte-

phosphorous-calcium-acid/base assessment-hepatic/renal profiles-cardiac/muscle enzyme analysis-tests for aliphatic hydrocarbons. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant P.B., #1768523 – Burdeaux moved to approve reentry plan. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant S.B., #1768685 – Barton moved to proceed with licensure by with a Letter of Concern re: Criminal. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

JOINT MEETING WITH THE GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES

The Board discussed combining with the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses to create one nursing board which represents registered and practical nurses. The Board will review the Nurse Practice Act and the NCSBN Model Act to make suggestions to the Executive Director regarding the proposed statutory language.

Barton moved to support the creation of one nursing board representing registered and practical nurses. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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VIOLATION OF CONSENT ORDER

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI090345 – Rowe moved to give the respondent thirty (30) days (December 15, 2012) to provide missing report/evaluations. If not received, then refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080599 – Burdeaux moved to request a voluntary surrender. If the respondent does not agree to surrender, the respondent must appear for an Investigative Interview. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100878 – Rowe moved to request additional information missing from the MPE, which is to be received within thirty (30) days. If no indication of drug/alcohol dependence, refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, personal and psychotherapy) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. If additional information is received, refer to the Cognizant. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130174 – Burdeaux moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension as requested by the respondent. The respondent may petition for restoration of license after twenty-four (24) months of continuous, documented sobriety from the docket date of the order and the submission of an MPE completed within thirty (30) days of the petition. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MENTAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130030 – Rowe moved to refer table review of application pending the final disposition of the criminal charges for felony drug possession and DUI. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110721 – Burdeaux moved to refer to Legal Services for a private reprimand with courses in Documentation and Medication Errors. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120733 – Rowe moved to close the case. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120661 – Burdeaux moved to proceed with licensure by endorsement with a Letter of Concern re: Failure to Disclose Criminal History. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SELF REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120238 – Rowe moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol. The respondent must provide the board with proof of completion of criminal probation within ten (10) days of termination date. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120733 – Burdeaux moved to close the case. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS & EARLY TERMINATION

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI090533 – Rowe moved to deny request for early termination of probation but approve lifting of narcotic restrictions. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100162 – Burdeaux moved to deny request and uphold previous motion from the July 13-14, 2011 board meeting. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR EARLY TERMINATION

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI090164 – Rowe moved to grant early termination of probation. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

VIOLATION OF CONSENT ORDER

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI110509 – Burdeaux moved to deny renewal pending resolution of case. Mann seconded the motion and it carried with Barton abstaining.

MENTAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI080164 – Rowe moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Drugs. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

VIOLATION OF MPE ORDER

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI080076 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension if the MPE is not received before December 1, 2012. If MPE is received, refer to the Cognizant for review. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100228/RNI130165 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension for violation of MPE order. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MENTAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100949 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension for violation of MPE order. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI110204 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include two (2) years probation, substance abuse stipulations and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, and personal). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI110251 – Barton moved to deny request to lift narcotic restrictions and close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Professional Conduct related to termination of employment. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120514 – Mann moved to order licensee to have an outpatient MPE. 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. Respondent may present his evaluation records for review. If adequate, Cognizant may accept them in lieu of new MPE. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130138 – Barton moved to order licensee to have an outpatient MPE. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board member and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If warranted, refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations and a fine. If not warranted, refer to Legal Services for a public reprimand requiring courses in Ethics, Professional Accountability and Documentation. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SELF REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130070 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, and personal). Hold renewal pending resolution of this case. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130012 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130010 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy) and requirement to submit proof of completion of criminal probation. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120744 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports (employer and aftercare). Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130069 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR EARLY TERMINATION

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI090047 – Barton moved to deny request for early termination due to missing quarterly aftercare reports for the reporting period ending September 30, 2012. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI110956 – Mann moved to lift narcotic restrictions to mirror conditions of Alabama Board of Nursing consent order. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110268 – Barton moved to deny request to lift narcotic restrictions. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100505 – Burdeaux moved to approve request to lift narcotic restrictions. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried with Cranfill abstaining.

INVESTIGATIONS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120586 – Mann moved to close the case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120750 – Burdeaux moved to accept Cease and Desist order and report to FITS. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130047 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or a public consent order to include courses in Ethics and Documentation and a fine of \$500 for violation of the private consent order. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100889/RNI130123 – Burdeaux moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include four (4) years probation and quarterly reports (employer, personal and psychotherapy with medication management and drug and alcohol screens). Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120620 – Mann moved to close the case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI111067 – Burdeaux moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Professional Conduct. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130188 – Mann moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension. Respondent may petition for restoration of licensure after twelve (12) months of continuous documented sobriety and an MPE to be completed within thirty (30) days of petition. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120237 – Burdeaux moved to close the case and refer complainant back to the facility. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130189 – Mann moved to issue a Cease and Desist order and refer to Investigations to seek criminal prosecution. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130193 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a public consent agreement mirroring the terms of the Alabama Board of Nursing consent order. Upon docketing, proceed with licensure by endorsement. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL SERVICES

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130057 – Barton moved to deny request and uphold previous motion from the August 20, 2012 board meeting. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI110941 – Mann moved to rescind previous motion from the January 18-20, 2012 board meeting and refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or private consent order not to practice. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120565 – Burdeaux moved to uphold previous motion from the May 16-17, 2012 board meeting. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100348 – Burdeaux moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports (employer, personal and psychotherapy with medication management). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120576 – Burdeaux moved to uphold previous motion from the July 18-19, 2012 board meeting. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100011 – Rowe moved to uphold previous motion from the January 18-20, 2012 board meeting. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100553 – Burdeaux moved to request respondent to submit documentation of treatment. Upon receipt of documentation, refer to Legal Services for a public reprimand for drug diversion with a fine of \$500. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

Barton moved, Burdeaux seconded and the Board voted to approve applications for licensure and advanced practice authorization for the months of September 2012 through October 2012 that were determined, pursuant to Board approved guidelines, to have met licensure/authorization requirements.

LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT CASES REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Rowe moved to ratify the Cognizant's' recommendations and to close the following complaints:

RNI130083	RNI110509	RNI090407	RNI120548	RNI130003	RNI130004
RNI130036	RNI120238	RNI130081	RNI130082	RNI130084	RNI111083
RNI130039	RNI130040	RNI130112	RNI130127	RNI060326	RNI130173

Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Mann moved to accept the following recommendations for the cases listed below:

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
RNI100379	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI100724	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI100748	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI100262	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI100570	Lift narcotic restrictions.

RNI100868	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI100676	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI100651	Lift narcotic restrictions.

Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT FAILURE TO DISCLOSE CASES REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Rowe moved to ratify the Cognizants' recommendations to accept Private Consent Agreements for licensure with a fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrests on application. The executive director may sign with express permission of the Board President. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APP#1767382 APP#1786279

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

Applicant K.C., #1772117 – Barton moved to approve order to track criminal probation issued by staff guidelines. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Barton moved to accept the Cognizant Report regarding unlicensed/unauthorized practice and to refer identified cases to Legal Services for issuance of a Private Consent Order. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**APP#1783490 APP#1787236 APP#1787502 APP#1783644 APP#1785294
APP#1788767 APP#1787450 APP#1778789 APP#1789587 APP#1791607**

EDUCATIONAL COGNIZANT NONTRADITIONAL APPLICATION REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Barton moved to ratify the Cognizants' recommendations for the following applicants for licensure. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

	RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION
App. #1750747	Issue license.
App. #1739153	Issue license.
App. #1790464	Issue license.
App. #1738282	Issue license.
App. #1262552	Issue license.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned November 14, 2012 at 6:24 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Barry Cranfill, RN, CRNA, MHS, MBA, FAAPM, President
Nancy Barton, MS, RN
Ashley Barnett, Consumer
Brenda Rowe, JD, MN, RN
Tammy Burdeaux, RN
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STAFF PRESENT

James Cleghorn, Executive Director
Susan Anderson, RN, MSN, Nursing Consultant-Education
Adrienne Price, RN, MSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Amelia Baker, Assistant Attorney General, JD

Cranfill called the meeting to order at 8:41 a.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2012. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was present.

VISITORS PRESENT (During Executive Session, Visitors are excused unless scheduled for personal appearances)

Mae Washington	Rebecca Rule	Beth Paul	Sara Curry	Lisa Justice	Donna McGrane
Sarah Owens	Margie Collins	Pam Dunagan	Ann Hook	Kate Arnold	Debbie Hackman
Sharon Wilson	Carole Radney	Marsha Sullivan	Vanice Roberts	Richard Lamphill	Maxinee Black-Arias
Judy Malachowski	Anne Fortenberry	Archie Fortenberry			

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Rowe moved to send letter from the Georgia Board of Nursing to Assistant Attorney General Janet Wray commending Janet Jackson. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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HEARING – MW

RNI110943 – Mann moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension. Respondent may petition for restoration of licensure upon presentation of documentation from the Texas Board of Nursing of restoration of license. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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GEORGIA NURSES ASSOCIATION – NURSE ADVOCATE PROGRAM

Margie Collins discussed the main purpose of the NAP program. She provided a packet of information that is given to the participants of the program.

Cranfill thanked the advocates for their work and explained the reason behind the new self report process. He discussed the alternative programs and the financial means to support them. He also discussed the shift in the Board’s practice regarding public orders and the need for mandatory reporting. He reiterated that in cases involving diversion the order would be public and that in cases with basic impairment and no diversion the order may still be private. He explained that the changes are not meant to be punitive.

Margie Collins stated that the main focus should be on getting the nurse evaluated.

Mann discussed issues in obtaining the treatment records.

Debbie Hackman informed the Board that GNA and GNA-NAP supports mandatory reporting as it was presented last year and discussed having routine communication between the Board staff and GNA-NAP.

The Board discussed ways that advocates could assist the Board.

EDUCATION REPORT

DEVELOPING PROGRAMS

Truett McConnell College

The Board reviewed Reports II and III submitted by Truett McConnell College. Rowe moved to approve the following:

1. Accept Reports II and III submitted by Truett McConnell College in support for the development and implementation of its proposed Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.
2. Schedule a site visit prior to enrollment of the first cohort in Fall 2013.

Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Berry College

The Board reviewed Reports I, II and III submitted by Berry College. Barton moved to approve the following:

1. Accept Reports I, II and III submitted by Berry College in support for the development and implementation of the proposed Bachelor of Science in Nursing program
2. Grant Initial Approval to Berry College for the development and implementation of the proposed Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.
3. Schedule a site visit prior to enrollment of the first cohort in Fall 2014.

SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES

Augusta State University

The Board received notification from Augusta State University due to the consolidation with Georgia Health Sciences University effective January 8, 2013. The BSN program will be moved to the campus on December 12, 2012. The mission statement will not change and continues to be congruent with the pending mission statement for Georgia Regents University. Curriculum will not change for students involved in the teach out process for the cohort graduating in 2014. Consolidation will not have an impact on the fiscal and learning resources. Student policies remain the same although they will be administered in a different locale. Dr. Jean Pawl was appointed the Interim Chair of Augusta State University. Official closing of the report will be sent in May 2013. Mann moved to approve the following:

1. Accept the location change and consolidation with Georgia Health Sciences University.

Georgia Perimeter College

The Board received notification from Dr. Diane White, Interim Chair of the Nursing Department at Georgia Perimeter College, of the appointment of Brenda Cherry, RN, MSN, FNP, as the new Interim Chair of the Nursing Department at Georgia Perimeter College effective January 1, 2013. Mann motioned to approve the following:

1. Accept Brenda Cherry as the designated Interim Chair of the Nursing Department at Georgia Perimeter College.
2. Amend Georgia Perimeter College's leadership information at the Board office to reflect the appointment of Brenda Cherry as the Interim Chair of the Nursing Department at Georgia Perimeter College.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Cleghorn reported on the following administrative items:

- Status report on applications and complaints/compliance for September 2012 and October 2012
- Board Meeting Dates
- NURSYS Update
- 2013-2015 Renewal Period
- FY 2012 NCLEX Pass Rate
- Certified Nurse Midwife Scope of Practice
- Medical Board Statute
- Rule 410-4-.01
- Proposed Inactive Status Rule

PROPOSED RULE 410-4-.01

Mann moved to post the proposed changes to 410-4-.01. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

410-4-.01 Development and Implementation of New Nursing Education Programs.

(1) To obtain approval by the Board for the development of a new nursing education program, the chief administrative officer of a parent institution proposing the development and implementation of a new nursing education program must submit a letter of intent to the Board. The following information must be included:

(a) a completed application signed by the chief administrative officer of the parent institution;

(b) a board-approved feasibility study, completed within one year of the date of the letter, which includes, but is not limited to: rationales for the establishment of the proposed nursing education program documenting an educational need which cannot be met by existing nursing education programs; financial resources; educational facilities and resources; faculty members; and practice settings;

- (c) evidence of accreditation of the parent institution by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools;
 - (d) a written plan for the recruitment and appointment of a qualified nurse administrator and faculty members to teach courses across the curriculum; and
 - (e) the nonrefundable, required fee which does not guarantee any approval status;
 - (f) documentation of the appointment of a registered nurse, currently licensed in Georgia, with the graduate nursing education and expertise necessary to develop and implement the proposed nursing education program and assess its outcomes;
 - (g) an affidavit of approval of the proposed nursing education program by the highest governing body of the parent institution within one year of the date of submission of the application;
 - (h) documentation of projected revenue sources (federal, state, private, grants, gifts) and expenditures for five (5) fiscal years to support the development and implementation of the proposed nursing education program. The information must include, but is not limited to: appointment of sufficient qualified nursing faculty members (consistent with Rule 410-3-.05); appointment of secretarial personnel and support services; and provision of print and non-print learning resources, academic support courses, and educational resources in compliance with Board rules;
 - (i) a written description for each practice setting proposed for learning activities with a letter of commitment from practice setting personnel to include the possible impact on existing, affiliating nursing programs; and
 - (j) a five-year timeline for the development and implementation of the nursing education program which includes cohorts of students and faculty members; and
 - (k) a proposed timeline for initiating and expanding the program.
- (2) The nurse administrator and at least two (2) (full-time or part-time) faculty members with the graduate nursing education and expertise necessary to develop and implement the nursing education program and assess its outcomes, must be appointed by the parent institution to submit the following Report I materials for Board review at least twelve
- (12) months prior to the enrollment of students in the first nursing course(s):
- (a) faculty qualification records for the nurse administrator and faculty members;
 - (b) program purpose or mission statement;
 - (c) program philosophy/assumptions;
 - (d) goals/outcomes of the curriculum;
 - (e) written plan for the organization and development of the curriculum;
 - (f) curriculum plan, consistent with Rule 410-3-.04, showing the placement, sequence, and credit distribution of all nursing and non-nursing courses;
 - (g) syllabus for each nursing course to include the title, credit distribution, prerequisites and corequisite courses, goals/outcomes, and course outline;
 - (h) plan for continuous quality assessment and improvement consistent with Rule 410-3-.03(8);
 - (i) information specific to the nursing education program, including but not limited to, admissions, options for advanced placement, acceleration, part-time study, articulation, progression, graduation, health requirements, the potential for criminal background checks and expanded medical profiles, and appeals;
 - (j) a current financial report including expenditures to date consistent with Rule 410-4-.01(3)(c);

- (k) a plan for the recruitment of students; and
- (l) current catalog and student handbook for the parent institution.
- (m) any substantive changes since the review of previous reports;
- (n) detailed information for each nursing course in the curriculum consistent with Rule 410-3-.04;
- (o) faculty qualification records for any new faculty members;
- (p) a description of any additional practice setting(s) with a written commitment from practice setting representatives to include the possible impact on existing affiliating nursing programs;
- (q) a current financial report including expenditures to date consistent with Rule 410-4-.01(3)(c); and
- (r) an update on projected enrollment;
- (k) Board representatives will conduct site visits to a developing nursing education program as necessary.
- (8) Nursing education programs with Initial Approval are required to comply with all Board rules.

Barton moved that the formulation and adoption of these rules does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the applicable laws as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MEDICAL BOARD STATUTE

Rowe moved to request the Georgia Composite Medical Board to update the definition of advanced practice registered nurse in O.C.G.A. § 43-34-23. A possible solution would be to match the definition in O.C.G.A. § 43-34-25. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

POLICY

The Board discussed directly referring indefinite suspensions for violation of consent orders to Legal Services. The Board agreed to delay implementation of any such policy until the January board meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Rowe moved, Barton 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 Thursday, November 15, 2012, Cranfill declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS/ORDERS – ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OFFICE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI111011 – Burdeaux moved to accept private consent order as presented. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100417 – Rowe moved to accept private consent order as presented. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090423 – Burdeaux moved to accept private consent order as presented. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI060502 – Rowe moved to accept public consent order as presented. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090260 – Burdeaux moved to accept public consent order as presented. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100731 – Rowe moved to accept amended consent order as presented. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI030053 – Burdeaux moved to accept private consent order as presented. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130114/RNI100211/RNI090423/RNI100697 – Burdeaux moved to require the respondents to renew their licenses this cycle (2013-2015) and amend the dispositions on each of these cases to include the following statement: Deny Renewal of licensure and proceed to hearing; if they do not agree to the Board's Proposed settlement [O.C.G.A. §50-13-18(B)]. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI07023 – Burdeaux moved to close the case and flag for reinstatement. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090456 – Barton moved to rescind the previous board motion from the October 23, 2012 board meeting and deny early termination of probation. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI040433 – Burdeaux moved to deny renewal, flag license and place the license on hold for any attempt to renew. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110197 – Barton moved to amend the previous motion from the March 22, 2012 board meeting, flag license and place hold on an attempt to renew. Deny the respondent's renewal pending a hearing. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110782 – Burdeaux moved to rescind the previous motion from the September 14-16, 2011, accept the summary suspension order as submitted and deny renewal. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090229 – Barton moved to rescind the previous motion from the August 25, 2011 board meeting and send a Letter of Concern re: Noncompliance. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090291 – Burdeaux moved to rescind the previous motion from the September 14-16, 2011 and close the case. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100559 – Rowe moved to amend the previous motion from September 14-16, 2011 and change the public consent order to a private consent order. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100056 – Burdeaux moved to contact the respondent with a strongly worded letter requesting copies of treatment records and current status. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110541/RNI120700 – Rowe moved to amend the previous motion from the July 18-19, 2012 board meeting and amend previous order to include language explaining that additional sanctions may be forthcoming based on the outcome of the criminal case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120087 – Burdeaux moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Substandard Care. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100520 – Rowe moved to rescind the previous motion from the May 16-17, 2012 and close the case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI111006 – Burdeaux moved to uphold the previous motion from the September 14-16, 2011 and deny renewal if the respondent does not sign the consent order. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Barton moved to approve the September 19-20, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rowe moved to accept the September 19-20, 2012 Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Barton moved to approve the October 23, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Burdeaux moved to accept the October 23, 2012 Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned November 15, 2012 at 3:22 p.m.



Barry Cranfill, **President**



James Cleghorn, **Executive Director**