

The Georgia Board of Nursing met January 16-17, 2013 in Building B of the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

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

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

LH-RNI130027 SB-RNI100885

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

Jackie Bentley

Cranfill called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. on Wednesday, January 16, 2013. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was present.

Hufft joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

The following officers were elected by acclimation:

Barry Cranfill – President
Mary Chatman – Vice President

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chatman moved, Barnett 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 Wednesday, January 16, 2013, Cranfill declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq.

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Applicant N.M., #1753684 – Mann moved to license upon successful completion of a 320 hour preceptorship. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant K.K., #1793902 – Barton moved to proceed with licensure by endorsement. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant S.M., #1729764 – Mann moved to license upon successful completion of a 480 hour preceptorship. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant L.K., #1798415 – Mann moved to request applicant to provide proof of completion of criminal probation. Upon receipt of proof of completion, proceed with licensure by examination with a Letter of Concern re: Drugs and Alcohol. If the applicant is still on probation, refer to Legal Services for a public consent order to track criminal probation or allow applicant to seek licensure upon completion of probation. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant I.U., #1304752 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent agreement to include a fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrest. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant K.N., #1798264 – Mann moved to proceed with licensure by endorsement without restriction and send a letter advising the applicant about compliance with the Ohio Board of Nursing order and the possible ramifications of noncompliance. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant N.M., #1788562 – Chatman moved to deny preceptorship application and request applicant to send additional information. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant J.H., #1790217 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent agreement to include re-entry. Within two (2) months of the docket date of the order, the respondent must submit proof of enrollment into a board approved re-entry program. After review of proof, 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. The temporary permit and subsequent license will be on probationary terms commencing on the date of issuance of the temporary permit to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal). Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant O.K., #1744159 – Mann moved to approve preceptorship. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant S.B., #1732650 – Barton moved to approve preceptorship. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant E.M., #1743618 – Chatman moved to approve preceptorship. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL SERVICES

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120438 – Barton moved to deny request to amend consent order and uphold previous motion from the September 19-20, 2012 board meeting. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Berry College – Barton moved to release information in response to the open records request and redact personal and financial information. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090445 – Barton moved to deny request to amend consent order and uphold the recommendation from the cognizant. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried with Barton abstaining.

RNI110014 – Barton moved to table the case for further review. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NCLEX-RN APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130030 – Chatman moved to close the case with a strong Letter of Concern re: Alcohol and proceed with licensure by examination. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

VIOLATION OF CONSENT ORDER

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI090165 – Barton moved to issue a letter of warning regarding compliance. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090345 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension. The respondent may petition for restoration of license after the submission of an MPE completed within thirty (30) days of the petition. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MENTAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120691 – Barton 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, personal and psychotherapy). Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110803 – Chatman 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. If the respondent applies for renewal, place the license in renewal pending status pending the signature of the order. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI111070 – Rowe 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. If the respondent applies for renewal, place the license in renewal pending status pending the signature of the order. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120517 – Barnett moved to deny renewal. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SELF REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130009 – Chatman moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy with medication management). The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If respondent does not sign the order, proceed to hearing and keep the respondent in renewal pending status. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130097 – Barnett 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. The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If respondent does not sign the order, proceed to hearing and keep the respondent in renewal pending status. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130120 – Rowe 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. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130122 – Barnett 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.

RNI130144 – Rowe 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. The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If respondent does not sign the order, proceed to hearing and keep the respondent in renewal pending status. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130100 – Barnett moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include probation for four (4) years, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions and suspension of prescriptive authority and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal). Barnett seconded the motion and it carried with Barton abstaining.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI100553 – Rowe 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. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried with Barnett abstaining.

RNI100754 – Barton moved to rescind previous motion from the September 14-16, 2011 board meeting, close the case and terminate probation. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110070 – Chatman 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). Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2013-2015 RENEWAL APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI070486 – Barton moved to refer to Attorney General's office for a hearing or private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, and personal). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT SUSPENSION & RESTORE LICENSE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI110383 – Chatman 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, aftercare, and personal). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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RNI100702 – Barton moved to close the case and renew license. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120665 – Chatman moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a summary suspension pending proceedings for revocation or other action as the Board finds that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action. If the respondent attempts to renew, license prior to issuance of summary suspension order, status to remain in active renewal pending status until summary suspension is issued. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130101 – Chatman moved to write the respondent a letter requesting documentation of completion in courses in Ethics and Professional Accountability by February 28, 2013 to avoid public action. If received, close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Unprofessional Conduct. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130164 – Chatman moved to close the case and refer the complainant to the facility or the Department of Community Health. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130171 – Rowe moved to close the case. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130235 – Rowe moved to close the case and refer the complainant to the facility or the Department of Community Health. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130262 – Rowe moved to close the case and refer the complainant to the Department of Corrections. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130265 – Barton moved to close the case and refer the complainant to the facility. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2013-2015 RENEWAL APPLICATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130172 – Rowe moved to deny renewal. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130229 – Barton moved to close the case with a strong Letter of Concern re: Criminal and renew license. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130295 – Chatman moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol and renew license. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130300 – Barton moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Criminal and renew license. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130320 – Chatman moved to deny renewal and flag license to require a psychosexual MPE before consideration of reinstatement. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130023 – Barton moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Drugs and renew license. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120738 – Barnett moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or a public consent order to include a fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrests. The Board reserves the right to take action pending outcome of criminal case. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REVIEW

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120739 – Barton moved to close the case and refer the complainant to the facility. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SELF REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI130098 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy with medication management). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130242 – Barnett moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public consent order to include five (5) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy with an addictionologist) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If the respondent does not agree to sign the order, proceed to a hearing and keep the respondent in active renewal pending status. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MENTAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120684 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or public reprimand to include courses in Narcotic Control and Medication Administration. Refer the case for peer review if the respondent will not sign the order. Have the staff to contact physician regarding the MPE. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried with Cranfill abstaining.

SELF REPORT

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI120609 – Barnett moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or private consent agreement not to practice. Petition to lift practice restriction must be accompanied by a complete mental physical examination completed within thirty (30) days of petition. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130334 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or a public consent order to include a fine of \$500 for action in another jurisdiction. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI060408 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or public consent order including three (3) month suspension of license followed by two (2) years probation, quarterly reports (personal and employer), a fine of \$1500 for violation of third amended consent order. The respondent must notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of employment (nursing or non-nursing), if the respondent moves to another state or applies for licensure in another state. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI080076 – Mann moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension. Respondent may petition for restoration of licensure after completion of a seventy-two (72) hour inpatient evaluation and treatment recommendations indicating that the respondent is safe to practice with reasonable skill and safety. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110013 – Barnett 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, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy). Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI070494 – Chatman moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Drugs. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090500 – Mann moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Drugs. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120480 – Barnett moved to issue a letter of warning regarding compliance with submission of quarterly reports. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130336 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a public consent order to track criminal probation. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120392 – Barton moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Action in Another Jurisdiction and renew license. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130338 – Barton moved to renew license. The respondent must present final disposition within ten (10) days of adjudication. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS

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RNI130074 – Barnett 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. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110261 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a public consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, two (2) years restriction of prescriptive authority, quarterly reports (personal and employer) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. The respondent must present final disposition of criminal case. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110465 – Barnett moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or public consent order including three (3) month suspension of license. Petition to restore licensure must be accompanied by the results of an outpatient MPE to be completed within thirty (30) days of the petition. The license is to remain in active renewal pending resolution of the case if the respondent

attempts to renew. If the license restored, include fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrest. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120186 – Rowe moved to table pending outcome of criminal case. If the respondent submits a renewal application, renew license. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130276 – Barnett moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension. Respondent may petition for restoration of licensure after six (6) months of continuous documented sobriety and an MPE to be completed within thirty (30) days of petition. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110113 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or public consent order including three (3) month suspension of license. Petition to restore licensure must be accompanied by the results of an outpatient MPE to be completed within thirty (30) days of the petition. The license is to remain in active renewal pending resolution of the case if the respondent attempts to renew. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130121 – 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. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120186 – Rowe moved to table pending completion of investigation and renew license. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110809 – Barton 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. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110161 – Rowe moved to renew license and 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. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130329 – Barton moved to renew license and order licensee to have an expedited 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. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120648 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a summary suspension pending proceedings for revocation or other action as the Board finds that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action. If the respondent attempts to renew, license prior to issuance of summary suspension order, status to remain in active renewal pending status until summary suspension is issued. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120694 – 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 and personal) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If respondent does not sign the order, proceed to hearing and keep the respondent in renewal pending status. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried with Rowe abstaining.

RNI130224 – Rowe moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol and renew license. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130029 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare, personal and psychotherapy). The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If respondent does not sign the order, proceed to hearing and keep the respondent in renewal pending status. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130143 – Mann moved to renew license and order licensee to have an expedited 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. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130181 – 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 there is no indication of chemical dependence, refer to Legal Services for a hearing or private consent order to include courses in Medication Errors, Documentation and Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing. If there is indication of chemical dependence, bring case back to the Board. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130200 – Mann moved to refer to Legal Services for a 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. The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If respondent does not sign the order, proceed to hearing and keep the respondent in renewal pending status. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130200 – Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for a 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. The respondent may renew license upon docketing of order. If respondent does not sign the order, proceed to the hearing and keep the respondent in renewal pending status. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Hufft left the meeting at 12:42 p.m.

INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWS

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI080599 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension. Respondent may petition for restoration of licensure with an MPE to be completed within thirty (30) days of petition. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130027 – Barton moved to rescind the previous motion from the September 19-20, 2012 board meeting and refer to Legal Services for a public consent order to include three (3) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years restrictions to controlled substances to include Propofol and its derivatives as indicated in the Georgia Controlled Substance Act (O.C.G.A. Title 16, Chapter 3), quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Hufft rejoined the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

RNI100885 – Rowe moved to rescind the previous motion from the September 19-20, 2012 board meeting and refer to Legal Services for a public consent order to include three (3) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, and quarterly reports (employer, aftercare with drug screens and personal). Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned January 16, 2013 at 6:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2013

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Darlene Ridley Paula Peña Ron O'Meara Vanice Roberts Enka Leno Sarah Owens

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LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT CASES REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

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

RNI130219	RNI130210	RNI130216	RNI090042	RNI130186	RNI130218	RNI100489
RNI130184	RNI130227	RNI130211	RNI110560	RNI110161	RNI104465	RNI110261
RNI110374	RNI110113	RNI110167	RNI110296	RNI110405	RNI110601	RNI090254
RNI110196	RNI100849	RNI110490	RNI110128	RNI110567	RNI100883	RNI110596
RNI100103	RNI110256	RNI110602	RNI110513	RNI110427	RNI110359	RNI050041
RNI070359	RNI090157	RNI110165	RNI090437	RNI110387	RNI110505	RNI100110
RNI100255	RNI110134	RNI100543	RNI110155	RNI050041	RNI070359	RNI090157
RNI090437	RNI110255	RNI110165	RNI110505	RNI110128	RNI110512	RNI110196
RNI110490	RNI130244	RNI130080	RNI130090	RNI130104	RNI130151	RNI130158
RNI130169	RNI090445	RNI110132	RNI120548	RNI110385	RNI130176	RNI130063
RNI130247	RNI111007	RNI120237	RNI130256	RNI130164	RNI130262	RNI130265
RNI120673	RNI070150	RNI100008	RNI130268	RNI130235	RNI130327	RNI110462
RNI110358	RNI120739	RNI130036	RNI130318			

Chatman 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
RNI080512	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI090406	Lift narcotic restrictions.

Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT FAILURE TO DISCLOSE CASES REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Mann 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. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APP#1796501 APP#1796953 APP#1800156

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#1729944 APP#1786188 APP#1796501

Hufft left the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

EDUCATIONAL COGNIZANT NONTRADITIONAL APPLICATION REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

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

	RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION
App. #1310895	Issue license.
App. #1776478	Issue license.

EDUCATIONAL COGNIZANT PRECEPTORSHIP APPLICATION REPORT

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Mann moved to ratify the Cognizants' recommendations regarding preceptorship applications. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

	RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION
App. #1305314	Approve and issue temp permit.
App. #1738282	Approve and issue temp permit.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI110204 – Barton moved to close the case in the Attorney General's office. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120505 – Barnett moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Criminal. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110562 – Barnett moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090499 – Rowe moved to rescind the previous motion from the November 16-17, 2011 board meeting and refer to the Attorney General's office 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). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110761 – Barton moved to table the case. If the treatment records are received prior to January 31, review the documents. If the treatment records are not received by January 31, lapse the license. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110936 – Chatman moved to rescind previous motion from the May 11-12, 2011 board meeting and refer to the Attorney General's office for a private consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, two (2) years restriction of prescriptive authority, and quarterly reports (aftercare, personal, employer, and psychotherapy). The respondent must present final disposition of criminal case. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100260 – Mann moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Violation of Private Consent Order and Drugs and renew license. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI070152 – Chatman moved to renew license and allow the Attorney General's office to complete consent order process. Renewal documentation does not preclude additional disciplinary action. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI111013 – Chatman moved to deny renewal if the signed order is not received prior to January 31. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100351 – Chatman moved to table the case, renew license and allow the Attorney General's office to continue to negotiate a resolution to the case. Renewal documentation does not preclude additional disciplinary action. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110095 – Barton moved to table the case, renew license and allow the Attorney General's office to continue to negotiate a resolution to the case. Renewal documentation does not preclude additional disciplinary action. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI090258 – Rowe moved to table the case, renew license and allow the Attorney General's office to complete consent order process. Renewal documentation does not preclude additional disciplinary action. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100949 – Mann moved to table the case until the respondent submits the doctor's recommendation for treatment. Upon receipt of documentation, the recommendation will be reviewed by the cognizant. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Barnett moved to deny renewal if signed order is not received prior to January 31, 2013 for the following:

RNI111013	RNI080240	RNI120334	RNI130128	RNI060297	RNI120335	RNI080632
RNI120640	RNI100006	RNI090510	RNI110710	RNI100732	RNI070170	RNI080475
RNI070350	RNI100830	RNI080583				

Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI070012– Barnett moved to close the case. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110652 – Barnett moved to uphold the previous board motion from the May 11-12, 2011 board meeting. The respondent may petition for specific facility to provide aftercare. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI130200 – Barnett moved to refer to Legal Services for a public consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal) and revocation of CRNA authorization. The respondent must apply for reinstatement of authorization to restore privileges. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried with Cranfill abstaining.

RNI100616– Barnett moved to close the violation case. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120661– Rowe moved to close the case in the Attorney General's office. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120579/RNI130149– Rowe moved to close the case in the Attorney General's office and order licensee to have an expedited 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. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100181 – Barnett moved to rescind the previous motion from the September 19-20, 2012 board meeting and refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include four (4) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (aftercare, employer and personal) and a fine of \$500 for diversion. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI100020 – Rowe moved to rescind the previous motion from the November 17-18, 2010 board meeting and send a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Barnett moved to accept the November 14-15, 2012 Executive Session Board Meeting as presented. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Barnett moved to accept the November 14-15, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes with corrections noted. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rowe moved to accept the December 17, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rowe moved to accept the December 17, 2012 Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

Barnett moved, Rowe seconded and the Board voted to approve applications for licensure and advanced practice authorization for the months of November 2012 through December 2012 that were determined, pursuant to Board approved guidelines, to have met licensure/authorization requirements.

PROPOSED RULE 410-4-.01

Chatman moved to adopt the proposed changes to 410-4-.01. Rowe 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. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PROPOSED RULE 410-13

Barnett moved to adopt the proposed changes to 410-13. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

410-13-.01 Regulation of Protocol Use By Advanced Practice Registered Nurses as Authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.1.

- (1) The general purpose of these rules is to assist in protecting and safeguarding the public by regulating the practice of advanced practice registered nurses who use protocols as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.1 43-34-23.
- (2) An advanced practice registered professional nurse who uses a protocol as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.1 43-34-23 shall:
 - (a) hold a current license to practice as a registered nurse in Georgia;
 - (b) hold a current authorization as an advanced practice registered nurse in Georgia;

(c) adhere to a written nurse protocol which is a written document mutually agreed upon and signed by the nurse and licensed physician which specifies delegated medical acts delegated by the physician to the nurse and provides for immediate consultation with the delegating physician or a physician designated in the absence of the delegating physician; and

(d) document preparation and performance specific to each medical act authorized by a written nurse protocol, including the ordering and administering of controlled substances, ordering and dispensing of dangerous drugs, and ordering medical treatments and diagnostic studies in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.1 43-34-23.

(3) The nurse protocol agreement used by an advanced practice registered nurse under the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.1 43-34-23 shall comply with the following criteria:

(a) shall be in writing and signed by the advanced practice nurse and the delegating physician;

(b) shall be dated, available upon request and specify parameters under which medical acts delegated by the physician may be performed;

(c) shall include provisions for periodic review of patient records by the delegating physician;

(d) shall be reviewed, revised or updated annually;

(e) shall include a provision for immediate consultation with the delegating physician or a physician designated in the absence of the delegating physician;

(f) shall contain written provisions regarding the procedure for dispensing dangerous drugs which comply with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-34-26.1 43-34-23 (a)(3), (3.1), (4), and (5), if the dispensing of dangerous drugs is included as a delegated medical act in the nurse protocol agreement; and (g) shall contain written provisions regarding the procedure for ordering controlled substances which comply with paragraph (b)(1) of O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.1 43-34-23, if the ordering of controlled substances is included as a delegated medical act in the nurse protocol agreement.

410-13-.02 Regulation of Protocol Use By Advanced Practice Registered Nurses as Authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.3.

(1) An advanced practice registered nurse ("APRN") who uses a protocol authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.3 43-34-25 shall:

(a) hold a current license to practice as a registered professional nurse in Georgia;

(b) hold a current authorization to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in Georgia;

(c) adhere to a written nurse protocol agreement that is dated and signed by the APRN, the delegating physician, and any other designated physician(s); the APRN's area of practice shall be in the same or comparable specialty as that of the delegating physician; the protocol shall specify the medical acts delegated to the APRN as provided by O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.3 43-34-25 and shall provide for immediate consultation with the delegating physician or a designated physician if the delegating physician is not available; and

(d) document preparation and performance specific to each medical act authorized by the written nurse protocol agreement including ordering drugs, medical treatments or diagnostic studies, medical devices, or, in life threatening situations, radiographic imaging tests.

(2) An APRN may practice under a nurse protocol agreement authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.3 43-34-25 if the nurse protocol agreement adheres to the following criteria:

(a) shall bear a current review date; be available upon request; and specify parameters under which delegated medical acts may be performed to include kinds of diagnostic studies which may be ordered, the extent to which radio logic image tests may be ordered, provisions for the reading and interpretation of such tests by a physician who is trained in the reading and interpretation of the tests, circumstances under which prescription drugs orders may be executed, number of refills which may be ordered, include a frequency of follow up review of the patient by the physician, including patients who are on controlled substances;

(b) shall include a schedule for periodic review of patient records by the delegating physician, which records review may be achieved with a sampling of such records as determined by the delegating physician;

(c) shall be reviewed, revised or updated annually by the APRN, the delegating physician, and any designated physician;

(d) shall include a provision for immediate consultation with the delegating physician or a physician designated in the absence of the delegating physician; and

(e) shall comply with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.3 43-34-25 regarding prescription drug orders placed by an APRN for a drug or medical device including, but not limited to, the following:

1. no prescription drug orders submitted by an APRN for Schedule I or II controlled substances;

2. no refills of any drug for more than 12 months from the date of the original Order, except in the case of oral contraceptives, hormone replacement therapy, or prenatal vitamins, which may be refilled for a period of 24 months;

3. no drug order or medical device that may result in the performance or occurrence of an abortion, including the administration, prescription or issuance of a drug order that is intended to cause an abortion to occur pharmacologically;

4. written prescription drug orders shall be signed by the APRN, be written on forms that comply with the nurse protocol agreement, and such forms shall contain the information required by paragraph (d) of O.C.G.A. § 43-34-26.3 43-34-25;

5. a written provision in the nurse protocol agreement authorizing the APRN to request, receive, and sign for professional samples, and to distribute them to patients in accordance with a list of professional samples approved by the delegating physician that is maintained by the office or facility where the APRN works and that requires the documentation of each sample received and dispensed; and

6. compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to the ordering, maintenance, and dispensing of drugs.

(3) Only four (4) advanced practice registered nurses may enter into a nurse protocol agreement with a delegating physician at any one time under O.C.G.A § 43-34-26.3 43-34-25, except this limitation shall not apply to an APRN that is practicing in the following settings:

(a) In a hospital licensed under Title 31;

(b) In any college or university as defined in Code Section 20-8-1;

(c) In the Department of Human Resources Public Health;

(d) In any county board of health;

(e) In any free health clinic;

(f) In a birthing center;

(g) In any entity:

1. Which is exempt from federal taxes pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as defined in Code Section 48-1-2, and primarily serves uninsured or indigent Medicaid and Medicare patients; or

2. Which has been established under the authority of or is receiving funds pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 254b or 254c of the United States Public Health Service Act;

(h) In any local board of education which has a school nurse program; or

(i) In a health maintenance organization that has an exclusive contract with a medical group practice and arranges for the provision of substantially all physician services to enrollees in health benefits of the health maintenance organization.

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. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EDUCATION REPORT

DEVELOPING PROGRAMS

Wiregrass Georgia Technical College

The Board reviewed Report I submitted by Wiregrass Georgia Technical College. Barton moved to approve the following:

1. Accept Report I submitted by Wiregrass Georgia Technical College as meeting the requirements of Rule 410-4-.01(4) in the development of the proposed Associate of Science Degree in Nursing Program at Wiregrass Georgia Technical College.
2. Grant Initial Approval to the proposed Associate of Science Degree in Nursing Program at Wiregrass Georgia Technical College.
3. Require Report II to be received at the board office by June 1, 2013.

Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Shorter University

Chatman moved to grant Full Approval to Shorter University's Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program reflective of compliance of Rule 410-3-.02(1)(d). Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Brenau University

Chatman moved to grant Full Approval to Brenau University's Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program as a result of the program's NCLEX-RN exam scores for a four-year average meeting the eighty (80) percent requirement, reflective of Rule 410-3-.02(4)(b). Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES

Georgia State University

The Board reviewed the notification concerning the reinstatement of the RN-BSN track program at Georgia State University. Chatman moved to approve the following:

1. Accept the notification of the reinstatement of the RN-BSN track program at the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing & Health Professions, Georgia State University.
2. Amend the Nursing School directory on the Georgia Board of Nursing website to reflect the inclusion of the RN-BSN track program at the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing & Health Professions, Georgia State University.

Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

The Board reviewed notification concerning the change of nursing leadership at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. Barnett moved to approve the following:

1. Accept Troy Spicer as the Interim Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences.
2. Amend the Nursing School directory on the Georgia Board of Nursing website to reflect the change in nursing leadership at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College's Associate of Science in Nursing Program.

Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Dalton State College

The Board reviewed notification concerning the change of nursing leadership at Dalton State College. Barnett moved to approve the following:

1. Accept Lisa Peden as the Interim Chair of the Department of Nursing.
2. Amend the Nursing School directory on the Georgia Board of Nursing website to reflect the change in nursing leadership at Dalton State College.

Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Gwinnett Technical College

The Board reviewed notification concerning the change of nursing leadership at Gwinnett Technical College. Rowe moved to approve the following:

1. Accept Sheral Stewart as the Dean of Nursing Sciences at Gwinnett Technical College.
2. Amend the Nursing School directory on the Georgia Board of Nursing website to reflect the change in nursing leadership at Gwinnett Technical College.

Mann seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Kennesaw State University

The Board reviewed the notification concerning the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Master of Science in Nursing accelerated track for international physicians at Kennesaw State University. Rowe moved to approve the following:

1. Accept the notification regarding the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Master of Science in Nursing accelerated track for international physicians at Kennesaw State University.
2. Amend the Nursing School directory on the Georgia Board of Nursing website to reflect the inclusion of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Master of Science in Nursing accelerated track for international physicians at Kennesaw State University.

Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Cleghorn reported on the following administrative items:

- Status report on applications and complaints/compliance for November 2012 and December 2012
- NURSYS Update
- 2013-2015 Renewal Period
- Certified Nurse Midwife Scope of Practice
- Georgia Composite Medical Board
- Legislative Issues
- NCSBN Midyear Meeting
- Payment Plan Policy
- NCLEX RN Passing Standard

CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Mann moved to send a letter to Georgia Medicaid referring to board Rule 410-12-.02 which states that certified nurse midwives practice in accordance with Board-approved American College of Nurse-Midwives' current Standards for the Practice of Nurse-Midwifery. Review of the current standards shows that first assist duties are within the scope of practice for appropriately trained certified nurse midwives. Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SENATE BILL 10

Chatman moved to support the bill. The Board has reservations about the implementation with existing resources. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SENATE BILL 13 AND HOUSE BILL 50

Rowe moved to support mandatory reporting. The Board would like to address questions about line 37 regarding an alternative to discipline program. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PAYMENT PLAN

Barnett moved to allow the staff greater latitude to work out payment plans for amounts over \$100. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PETITION WAIVER – WEST GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Rowe moved to deny request for a waiver based on failure to meet statutory requirement regarding documentation of undue hardship caused by the rule. Chatman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PETITION WAIVER – KATHLEEN CANNELLA

Chatman moved to deny request for a waiver based on failure to meet statutory requirement regarding documentation of undue hardship caused by the rule. Barton seconded the motion and it carried with Rowe abstaining.

PETITION WAIVER – JEAN HASSETT

Rowe moved to deny request for a waiver based on failure to meet statutory requirement regarding documentation of undue hardship caused by the rule. The reentry proposal needs to be sent on Georgia Board of Nursing forms. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PETITION WAIVER – MELVINIA DORSEY

Chatman moved to deny request for a waiver. The petitioner did not cite a rule to be waived. Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Barton moved, Barnett 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, January 17, 2013, 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)

Barton moved to accept the Attorney General’s status and activity report and to accept the following consent agreements/orders as prepared by the Attorney General’s office:

Jesweak, Susanna George
RNI100211

Glisson, Mark Reeves
RNI111011

Dearth, Tobye Anna
RNI100559

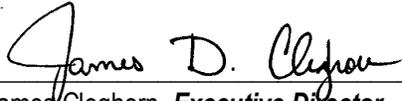
Tuopaeh, Roseline T.
RNI120415

Barnett 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*