

The Georgia Board of Nursing met Tuesday, February 12, 2013 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Katherine Mann, RN, CRNA
Ashley Barnett, Consumer

STAFF PRESENT

James Cleghorn, Executive Director
Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General, JD

Cranfill called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2013.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

The Board discussed the bill to combine the Georgia Board of Nursing and the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses. Cleghorn explained that letters had been sent to Representative Bruce Williamson. The Board also discussed concerns of all members being replaced on July 1, 2013 and requested that Cranfill contact Representative Williamson to encourage holding some of the board members for the new board as well as modifying the language regarding the professional nurse educators.

CONTINUED COMPETENCY

The Board is supportive of continued competency requirements

MANDATORY REPORTING

The Board discussed requesting the creation of a budget unit. The Board cannot raise fees to cover the cost of mandatory reporting because the current fees are not being returned to cover board costs.

RENEWALS

The Board discussed renewal issues. Cleghorn explained the issues with the automatic lapsing of licenses where no renewal application was submitted and the issues regarding licensees who submitted renewal applications but did not submit secure and verifiable documentation on or prior to February 8, 2013.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 4:48 p.m.



Barry Cranfill, **President**



James Cleghorn, **Executive Director**