

The Georgia Board of Nursing met Tuesday, August 19, 2014 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Brenda Rowe, RN, MN, JD, President
Kellie Lockwood, RN, MSN, Vice President
Nancy Barton, RN, MSN
Tammy Burdeaux, RN, BSN, CRNI
Tina Fletcher, LPN
Lisa Hedenstrom, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC
Rhonda Scott, PhD, RN, CS
Dellarie Shilling, RN, MSN, FNP-BC

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ashley Barnett, Consumer
Amy Hooper, LPN
Katherine Mann, RN, CRNA
Andrea Phipps, LPN

STAFF PRESENT

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

Rowe called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 19, 2014. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Tuesday, August 19, 2014, Rowe declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

(RNI – Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Applicant A.H., #2470390 – Barton moved to send a mitigating letter requiring courses in Professional Accountability, Ethics and Medication Safety. If the courses are completed within sixty (60) days, reinstate the license. The license will not be reinstated until the courses are completed. Hedenstrom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant Y.M., #2473334 – Fletcher moved to proceed with licensure by endorsement. Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applicant J.V., #2477667 – Barton moved to proceed with licensure by reinstatement with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol upon completion of a Board approved reentry program. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS

(LPNI = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI140660 – Shilling moved to request the licensee to appear for an investigative interview. Lockwood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI140234 – Barton moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern re: Alcohol. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

VIOLATION OF MPE ORDER

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LPNI080120 – Lockwood moved to request the licensee to appear for an investigative interview. Use the Department of Labor or Accurant search to locate nurse. Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REVIEW

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LPNI120045 – Hedenstrom moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for a hearing or a public consent order to include two (2) years probation, substance abuse stipulations, one (1) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, aftercare and personal) and a fine of \$250 for violation of previous consent order. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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RNI140354 – Shilling moved to close the case. Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL SERVICES

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RNI140272 – Lockwood moved to refer to the Attorney General's office. The Attorney General's office may amend the wording of order as appropriate to include use of "monitoring" or "limitations." Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE

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Fletcher moved to ratify the following cases from the investigative committee meeting:

RNI110809	LPNI120003	LPNI120206	RNI120174	RNI140315	RNI140677	RNI050342
RNI120471	RNI100577	RNI100855	RNI140591	RNI150075	RNI100283	LPNI150008
RNI120173	RNI130254	RNI140196	RNI140383	RNI110851	LPNI140166	RNI150064
RNI150066	LPNI140145	RNI090370				

Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ORDER TERMINATIONS BETWEEN MEETINGS

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Shilling moved to accept the following terminations of probation between meetings.

Clark, Kaitlyn Elizabeth	Souther, Shonda Lynn	RNI100259	RNI100047	RNI100724	RNI110693
Allen, Armando	Warden, Paul E.	RNI100062			

Lockwood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

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

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
RNI100553	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI120216	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI110535	Lift narcotic restrictions.
RNI120480	Lift narcotic restrictions.

Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL/DISCIPLINE COGNIZANT FAILURE TO DISCLOSE CASES REPORT

Barton moved to ratify the Private Consent Agreements for licensure with a fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrest(s)/disciplinary action on application that were issued and docketed according to the Board's policies.

APP#2477686/ 2477694 APP#2468227 APP#2446924 APP#2452713 APP#2468590
APP#2452812 APP#2452502 APP#2461093 APP#2473301 APP#2391267
APP#2470423 APP#2443122 APP#2475773 APP#2458116 APP#2449079
APP#2480880 APP#1776158 APP#2439303 APP#2439096 APP#2470413
APP#2461692 APP#2461926 APP#2438476 APP#2467337 APP#2449289
APP#2471039 APP#2460201 APP#2462101 APP#2477731 APP#2438050
APP#2471755

Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

Barton moved to ratify the Private Consent Agreements for unlicensed/unauthorized practice that were issued and docketed according to the Board's policies.

APP#2468227 APP#2453057 APP#2453357 APP#2461040 APP#2462003 APP#2462103

Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL SERVICES

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Fletcher moved to refer cases from Legal Services to the Attorney General's office. Hedenstrom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

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LPNI110333 – Barton moved to refer the case to the Attorney General's office. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI100339 – Lockwood moved to accept the order of extension. Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Shilling moved to accept the following consent agreements.

LPNI150010 LPNI150034 LPNI150033

Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Cleghorn provided information to the Board regarding the following candidates for the Legislative Committee: Barry Cranfill, Dee Keeton, Jan Flynn, Linda Herren, Scott Thigpen, Karen Wessinger. The Board requested that a letter of thanks/appointment be sent to the legislative committee members. The committee is to be led by Hedenstrom and Lockwood.

The Board noted the increase in salary for legal/disciplinary consultants to \$55K.

The Board discussed Mann's efforts to contact Speaker Ralston. Rowe discussed system outages, mailroom/intake, call center, accountability for resources and services. The Board is unable to currently cause a change because of governance structure.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 5:52 p.m.

Brenda Rowe, *President*

James D. Cleghorn, *Executive Director*

Approved on