

The Georgia Board of Nursing met April 23, 2015 via telephone conference from the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Georgia Secretary of State, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Brenda Rowe, RN, MN, JD, President
Kellie R. Lockwood, RN, MSN, Vice President
Nancy Barton, RN, MSN
Tammy Burdeaux, RN, BSN, CRNI
Rhonda A. Scott, PhD, RN, CS
Lisa Hedenstrom, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC
Fredetena (Tina) Fletcher, LPN
Dellarie Shilling, RN, MSN, FNP-B
Amy Hooper, LPN

MEMBERS ABSENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

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

Lockwood called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2015. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Barton moved, Shilling 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 cases and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, April 23, 2015, Lockwood 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.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

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

RN185770 – Fletcher moved to amend the previous motion to remove the requirement for psychotherapy. Scott seconded the motion with Barton abstaining.

LPN067422 – Lockwood moved to rescind the previous motion and accept the consent order. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI165491/RN150861– Shilling moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a summary suspension. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI120628 – Scott moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension. The licensee may petition to lift after twenty-four (24) months of documented sobriety and completion of MPE within thirty days of petition. Lockwood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LEGAL SERVICES

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RNI130568 – Scott moved to approve the request to amend the findings of fact to reflect completion of court accountability program and dismissal of criminal case and to remove language referencing the disclosure of a criminal conviction. All other terms will remain the same. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CASE REVIEW (Legal and Discipline cases)

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LPNI150087– Lockwood moved to deny the renewal and refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension, voluntary surrender or revocation. Burdeaux seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI140641 – Hooper moved to send mitigating letter requesting courses in Medication Administration, Ethics and Scope of Practice. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150125 – Barton moved to deny the renewal. May apply for reinstatement with a mental physical examination completed with thirty days of reinstatement. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150974 – Scott moved to deny licensure. The applicant’s nursing education is not comparable to nursing education in the United States. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150819 – Burdeaux moved to send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Medication Administration, Pediatric Assessment, Administration of Insulin and Pediatric Diabetes Management. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150318 – Shilling moved to send a mitigating letter requesting a course in Psychiatric Care of the Pediatric Patient. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150313 – Lockwood moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for a public consent order requiring courses in Professional Accountability, Ethics, Medication Administration and a fine of \$500 for unprofessional conduct. Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150403– Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General’s Office for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Barton seconded the motion.

RNI151007– Scott moved to license. Lockwood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI140440– Lockwood moved to refer to Investigations. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150008 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150439 – Lockwood moved to deny licensure. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150999 – Shilling moved to license with a Letter of Concern (Criminal). Must provide documentation of completion of criminal case within ten days of adjudication. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI151006 – Hooper moved to license with a Letter of Concern (Alcohol). Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150994– Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI151009– Scott moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI120217– Lockwood moved to renew with a Letter of Concern (Compliance and Unprofessional Conduct). Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI140076– Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension, voluntary surrender or revocation. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI140576 – Burdeaux moved to rescind the previous motion and refer to the Attorney General’s office for a public consent order to include two (2) years probation, one (1) year narcotics restriction, quarterly reports (personal, employer), random quarterly drug screens, courses in Ethics, Professional Accountability, Handling Narcotics and a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI140538 – Lockwood moved to release the investigative file to the Governor’s Office of Consumer Affairs. Shilling 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.

RN110753 RN140092

Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

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

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
LPNI080145	Lift narcotics restriction
RNI120114	Lift narcotics restriction
RNI110383	Lift narcotics restriction

Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR FAILURE TO DISCLOSE

Shilling moved to ratify the Private Consent Agreements for licensure with a fine for failure to disclose arrest(s)/disciplinary action on applications that were issued according to the Board’s policies.

RNI150987 RNI151026 RNI151077 LPNI150448
RNI151005 RNI151027 LPNI150407 RNI151080

Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR UNLICENSED AND UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE

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

RNI151001	LPNI150418	RNI150807	RNI150997	RNI150827	RNI151010
RNI151013	RNI151014	RNI151015	RNI151017	RNI150876	RNI151020
RNI151043	RNI151071	RNI151079	LPNI150405	LPNI140106	LPNI150465
LPNI150480					

Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PETITION WAIVER – LAVERNE SAMPSON

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

PETITION WAIVER – CHANNING A MARTINEZ

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

NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT

Barton moved to direct the delegates to the NCSBN Special Delegate Assembly to support the proposed Nurse Licensure Compact and the proposed APRN Compact. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SCOPE OF PRACTICE

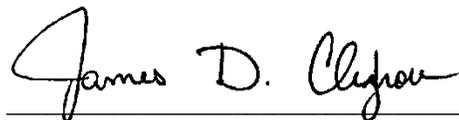
Barton moved to amend the Board's position statement on the Administration of Propofol, Etomidate and Neuromuscular Blocking Agents to include vecuronium. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the administration of IV narcotics by licensed practical nurses.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.



Brenda Rowe, RN, MN, JD, *President*



James D. Cleghorn, *Executive Director*