

The Georgia Board of Nursing met April 7, 2016 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 7, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Brenda Rowe, RN, MN, JD, President
Kellie R. Lockwood, RN, MSN, Vice President
Nancy Barton, RN, MSN
Linda Floyd, RN, EdD, PMHNP-BC
Blair Train, Consumer Member
Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP
Amy Hooper, LPN
Julia Worthy, RN, MSN
Dellarie Shilling, RN, MSN, FNP-B
Fredettina (Tina) Fletcher, LPN
Merry Fort, RN
Tracey Blalock, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC

MEMBERS ABSENT

Andrea Phipps, LPN

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Kirsten Daughdril, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Janet Freeman, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant - Legal/Discipline
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline

Rowe called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, 2016. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Lockwood moved, Izlar 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 7, 2016, 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.

CASE REVIEW (Legal and Discipline cases)

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

RNI151047 – Train moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for a hearing or private consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and Nursing education courses in Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care, Narcotic Drugs; Handling and Documentation and Ethics of Nursing Practice. Lockwood seconded the motion and it carried with Blalock abstaining.

RNI151285 – Train moved to refer for an Investigative Interview. Blalock seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160195 – Floyd moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for a hearing or public consent order to include two (2) years probation, quarterly reports (personal, employer) a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and nursing education courses in Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills and Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses. Worthy seconded the motion and it

carried unanimously.

RNI130011 – Izlar moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or private consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and nursing education courses in Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing and Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI11117 – Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or a public consent order to include four (4) years probation, quarterly reports (employer, personal), indefinite suspension of prescriptive authority, termination of Georgia Composite Medical Board Nurse Protocol Agreement and a fine of \$500 for violation of previous order. Licensee may petition to lift after two (2) years. Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150569 – Fletcher moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition for lifting within 30 days of 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. Blalock seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160224 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or private consent order to include two (2) years monitoring, one (1) year narcotic restriction, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy) and substance abuse stipulations. Izlar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160105 – Barton moved to close the case. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160870 – Lockwood moved to issue license by endorsement. Izlar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160232 – Train moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or a public reprimand to include a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose. Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160325 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or a public reprimand to include a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150150 – Fort moved to Refer to the Attorney Generals office for a hearing or public reprimand to include nursing education courses to be completed within thirty (30) days: courses in Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing, Disciplinary Actions: What Every Nurse Should Know; a in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, fines to be paid within ninety (90) days: \$500 fine for Unprofessional Conduct, \$500 fine for Failure to Communicate Order. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160434 – Floyd moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing or public reprimand to the include a fine of \$500 for Action in Another Jurisdiction. Izlar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI151190/RNI160320 - Barton moved to refer to Legal Services for an expedited 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.

RNI150833 – Floyd moved to refer to Legal Services for an expedited outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Train seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160230 – Izlar moved to refer to Legal Services 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.

RNI160665 – Lockwood moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing or public reprimand to the include a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150151 – Hooper moved to refer for a peer review. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI150670 - Fort moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a hearing or public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), substance abuse stipulations, courses in NCSBN; Understanding Substance Abuse Disorder in Nursing. Lockwood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI140472 – Shilling moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for public consent order to include five(5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, personal, aftercare, psychotherapy), substance abuse stipulations, intensive outpatient program, courses in NCSBN; Understanding Substance Abuse Disorder in Nursing and a fine of \$500 for unprofessional conduct. Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160881 – Barton moved to deny licensure. Applicant must have current license in another jurisdiction. Blalock seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160928 – Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's office and offer a Voluntary Surrender. If not signed within ten (10) days, proceed to hearing for revocation of the RN license and issue a Public Reprimand for LPN and include a \$500 Unprofessional Conduct. Izlar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

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

RNI140638 – Barton moved to deny the request. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried with Blalock abstaining.

RNI140589 – Barton moved to rescind the previous board motion and close the case. Izlar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI151066 – Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy) substance abuse stipulations, random monthly drugscreens for six (6) months and quarterly thereafter, and courses in Understanding Substance Abuse Disorder in Nursing. Fort seconded the motion and it carried with Blalock abstaining.

LPNI140057 – Floyd moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy, medication management) and substance abuse stipulations. Worthy seconded the motion and it carried with Barton opposing.

RNI160046 – Hooper moved to remove substance abuse language from order. Fort seconded the motion and it carried with Barton opposing.

RNI140576 – Shilling moved to uphold the previous motion from April 23, 2015. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160022 – Shilling moved to rescind the previous motion from January 7, 2015 and close the case. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

OPEN RECORDS REQUEST

Izlar moved to deny the request. Train seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR FAILURE TO DISCLOSE

Hooper 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.

RNI160871 **RNI160872** **RNI160873** **RNI160884** **RNI160889** **RNI160890** **RNI160915**
LPNI160280

Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR UNLICENSED AND UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE

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

RNI160576 RNI160893 RNI160913 LPNI160268 LPNI160270 LPNI160913

Izlar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ORDER TERMINATIONS BETWEEN MEETINGS

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

RN141360 RN191522 RN209889 LPN076166 LPN041332 RN196367
LPN074358 RN143557 RN192173

Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

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

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
RNI140027	Lift narcotics restriction
RNI130027	Lift narcotics restriction
RNI140515	Lift narcotics restriction
RNI120328	Lift narcotics restriction
RNI130643	Lift narcotics restriction

Izlar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE A

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

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

RNI160667 RNI160122 RNI120411 RNI150892 LPNI160209 RNI160822 RNI160702
RNI151219 LPNI160272 RNI151133 RNI150748 RNI160809 LPNI160271 RNI150274
LPNI160185 RNI160150 RNI160168 RNI160193 RNI150956 LPNI160039 LPNI160040
LPNI160269 LPNI160258 LPNI160239 RNI160146 RNI120721 RNI160031 LPNI150555
RNI150941 RNI160314 RNI160616

Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE B

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

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

RNI150821 RNI140263 RNI151114 RNI160685 RNI160671 LPNI150214 LPNI150337
RNI160103 RNI150472 RNI160373 RNI151210 RNI160285 RNI160287 RNI160465
RNI120115 LPNI150509 LPNI160109 RNI160665 RNI151241 RNI151316 LPNI120003
LPNI150095 RNI160495 LPNI150153 LPNI150350 RNI160790 RNI140518 RNI160550
RNI160376 LPNI160262 LPNI150335

Hooper seconded the motion and it carried with Barton abstaining.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James D. Cleghorn". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**