

BOARD OF NURSING

Open Session Minutes

January 17, 2020

9:06 AM – 10:14 AM

BOARD MISSION STATEMENT:

“The mission of the Board of Nursing is to safeguard the public’s health and well-being by assuring safe quality care in the District of Columbia. This is achieved through the regulation of nursing practice and education programs; and by the licensure, registration and continuing education of nursing personnel.”

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BOARD MEMBERS:	
Meedie Bardonille, RN (MB)	
Layo George, RN (LG)	
Elizabeth Lamme, RN (EL)	ABSENT
Laverne Plater, RN (LP)	
Nancy Uhland, RN, DNP (NU)	
Rick Garcia, RN, PhD (RG)	ABSENT
Margaret Green, LPN (MG)	
Monica Goletiani, Consumer (MG)	
Crystal Johnson, Consumer (CJ)	ABSENT
Theedith Moore, LPN (TM)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Tonoah Hampton, MSN, RN, Executive Director	
Frank B. Meyers, JD, Interim Executive Director	
Bonita Jenkins, EdD, RN, CNE	
Cathy Borris-Hale, RN, MHA	ABSENT
Joanne Drozdoski, JD	
DaNeka Bigelow	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Van Brathwaite, JD	

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¹ The order in which the following agenda items are listed does not necessarily reflect the order in which the items will be discussed during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER		
OS-20-01-01	<p><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></p> <p>A. BOARD MEMBERS</p> <p>B. BOARD STAFF</p>	MB

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OS-20-01-02

BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT

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A. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT

i. Thanks to Interim Executive Director

The Board and the Department gave thanks to the Interim Executive Director, Mr. Frank Meyers, JD, for his work for the past year.

Dr. Sharon Lewis, Senior Deputy Director for HRLA, awarded Mr. Meyers a certificate for his services.

ii. NCSBN Legislative Updates

The Board Chair reviewed the NCSBN’s recent legislative update which covers various pieces of legislation throughout the United States. Specifically, the following pieces of legislation were discussed:

a. Wisconsin

- i. Establishing an Education Loan Assistance for various healthcare professions, including

b. New Jersey

- i. Permit dispensing of medical marijuana through telehealth services.
- ii. Opioid antidote for commitment
- iii. Requiring nursing in each school in the school district.
- iv. Establishing CE requirements for birthing centers.

c. New York

- i. Establishing educational requirements for human trafficking.

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

i. 2020 NCSBN Midyear Meeting

The 2019 NCSBN midyear meeting is scheduled for March 3-5, 2020, in Boston, MA. The Executive Director will attend with one other representative from the DC Board of Nursing.

ii. 2020 APRN Roundtable

The 2020 APRN Roundtable is scheduled for April 7, 2020, in Rosemont, IL.

The roundtable focus on the “challenges and innovations in APRN education”, and is an opportunity for APRN stakeholders to discuss common issues/concerns regarding APRNs.

iii. HHA Renewals

Over 7,300 home health aides have renewed their license. We continue to receive numerous call, emails, and walk-ins from person having difficulty. However, most of the concerns during the final week were related to the HHAs having difficulty uploading to the DHCF payment portal.

iv. 2020 NCLEX-PN Test Plan

The 2020 NCLEX-PN Test Plan will be available online in January 2020 in preparation for its effective date of April 1, 2020. Every three (3) years, NCSBN conducts the NCLEX-PN Practice Analysis with the purpose of assessing entry-level practice activities in order to develop the subsequent NCLEX-PN Test Plan.

v. Board of Nursing Vacancy

The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) has a new representative Donovan Boyd working with DC Health. One (1) RN vacancy remains. Please let the Department know of any recommendations or interested RNs. MOTA will reach out to the individual.

vi. Committee on Impaired Nurses (COIN)

The Board request to meet with COIN has been addressed. COIN will come to the February 5, 2020 meeting to present

vii. BON Nursing Symposium/Workshops

The Symposium is the board's opportunity to engage in professional development for the nursing community and stakeholders.

The proposed date is June 12, 2020, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, at Kellogg Conference Center, Gallaudet University.

	C. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT None.	
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MISC. ITEMS

OS-20-01-03A	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review and approve the open session minutes from the December 4, 2019 meeting.</p> <p>Background: The Board meeting minutes document</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Uhland to approve the minutes. Seconded by Ms. Greene.</p> <p>Ms. Goletiani, Dr. Uhland, Ms. Moore, Ms. George, Ms. Greene, Ms. Platter and Ms. Bardonille voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-20-01-03 ALL	<p><u>APRN REGULATIONS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the APRN regulations revisions.</p> <p>Background: The Board of Nursing reviewed and requested changes to sections 5809.2(g) and (k) during the December 2019 meeting. The Board Chair tabled the discussion to allow in-depth review for the discussion at the January meeting. A copy of the revised copy of the drafted regulations are provided.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Uhalnd to approve the draft regulations with the suggested edits, and then move them forward. Seconded by Ms. Platter.</p> <p>Ms. Goletiani, Dr. Uhland, Ms. Moore, Ms. George, Ms. Greene, Ms. Platter and Ms. Bardonille voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	TH

<p>OS-20-01-04 ALL</p>	<p><u>PROPOSED HHA REGULATION REVISIONS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To revise the HHA regulations to include sanctions which align with Nursing Assistive Personnel regulations and remove the endorsement option.</p> <p>Background: The current HHA regulations do not include sanctions. The proposed revision would align the HHA regulations with the NAP regulations.</p> <p>Motion: Members of the public brought up concerns with the decrease in total licensed HHAs in the District following the recent renewals. Specific discussion was had regarding holding another HHA Summit and including the Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) in such discussions. The Executive Director agreed to provide results of the HHA workforce survey upon completion of data analysis.</p> <p>Discussion was also had regarding a Maryland and DC Taskforce has been established to address HHA practice in the region.</p> <p>Motion made by Ms. Platter to approve the proposed regulations. Seconded by Ms. Greene.</p> <p>Ms. Goletiani, Dr. Uhland, Ms. Moore, Ms. George, Ms. Greene, Ms. Platter and Ms. Bardonille voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	<p>TH</p>
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MOTION TO CLOSE

OS-20-01-05	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p>Board Action: To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p>Background: Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4)(a);2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6);3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(9);4. To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section § 2-575(b) (14). <p>Motion: Motion made by Ms. Greene. Seconded by Ms. Platter.</p> <p>Ms. Goletiani, Dr. Uhland, Ms. Moore, Ms. George, Ms. Greene, Ms. Platter and Ms. Bardonnille voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	FM
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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-20-01-06	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p>Board Action: To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>Background: At the end of every meeting a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Ms. Plater to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Moore.</p> <p>Dr. Uhland, Ms. Moore, Ms. George, Ms. Greene, Ms. Platter, and Ms. Bardonille. Ms. Goletiani was absent. The motion passed.</p>	TH
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This ends the Open Session Minutes.