

MINUTES

BOARD OF NURSING MEETING

February 8, 2024

Heber M. Wells Bldg.

ELECTRONIC MEETING – 8:30 a.m.

Salt Lake City, UT 84114

CONVENED: 8:37 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 12:55 P.M.

DOPL STAFF PRESENT:

Bureau Manager: Jeff Busjahn

Board Secretary: Kelli Arriola

Compliance Specialist: Sharon Bennett

CONDUCTING:

Luisa Echeverria, RN – Chair

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Luisa Echeverria, RN

Ralph Pittman, LPN

Linda Hofmann, RN, Ph.D.

Joshua B. Wall – Ph.D., RN, CEN, CFRN

Julie Gee, RN, Ph.D.

Kristi Vick, APRN-CRNA

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED:

David Skalka, JD, APRN, FNP-C

Ellen Brown, MSN, APRN

GUESTS:

Carolyn Dennis – DOPL, Deputy Director

Diane Forster-Burke – Utah Nurses Association

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Ms. Echeverria called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVE THE DECEMBER 14, 2023, MINUTES:

Dr. Gee motioned to approve the minutes.

Mr. Pittman seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

LEGISLATIVE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN:

(Refer to audio for specifics. Audio_Part1_07:21 – 09:59 and 10:25 – 19:06)

Ms. Forster-Burke from Utah Nursing Association reported on several bills to the Board. H.B. 461 Nursing Education program amendments. H.B. 499 Education and Reporting amendment. H.B. 41 Certified Nursing Assistant bill. H.B. 58 International Licensing.

Ms. Dennis, Deputy Director at Utah Department of Commerce provided the Board with an overview of House Bill 58.

BOARD BUSINESS:

PROBATIONER WRITTEN REQUESTS AND REVIEW OF DOCUMENTS:

Ms. Bennett provided the Board with a brief update on their probationer reports.

PROBATIONER INTERVIEWS:

Glen Chunat – Interview conducted by Ms. Echeverria.

Mr. Chunat is working as a Nurse.

Mr. Chunat had one positive UA in December.

Ms. Echeverria motioned to fine Mr. Chunat \$500.00 for non-compliance.

Dr. Hofmann seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Ms. Echeverria motioned to approve Mr. Chunat's essay.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Ms. Echeverria motioned to extend physical evaluation.

Dr. Gee seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Barabra Herrera - Interview conducted by Dr. Gee.

Ms. Herrera started a new nursing job January 16, 2024.

Ms. Herrera has no missed check-ins.

Ms. Herrera requested to have restrictions lifted.

Dr. Gee's recommendation is that no stipulations be lifted, and Ms. Herrera can request restrictions to be lifted in two months.

No motions were made.

Shauna Eden – Interview conducted by Ms. Echeverria.

Ms. Eden is not currently working as a Nurse.

Ms. Eden is actively seeking employment as a Nurse.

Ms. Eden is attending therapy.

Ms. Eden had one positive UA in November.

No motions were made.

Kristina Withers – Interview conducted by Ms. Vick.

Ms. Withers has three no shows.

Ms. Withers had one positive UA in January.

Ms. Vick's motioned to refer Ms. Withers file back to the division for non-compliance for additional action.

Mr. Pittman seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Misty Greer - Interview conducted by Ms. Vick.

Ms. Greer has one missed check-in and one dilute UA.

Ms. Vick's recommendation is to read stipulation order weekly and take care of past due fines today February 14, 2024.

No motions were made.

Sherri Oliver - Interview conducted by Dr. Hofmann.

- Mr. Pittman motioned to close the meeting in accordance with 52-4-205(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Gee.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting was closed at 9:50 and reopened at 9:53.

Ms. Oliver has five missed check-ins.

Ms. Oliver has one no show.

Ms. Oliver has started trauma therapy.

Dr. Hofmann recommendation is to read stipulation order weekly.

Dr. Hofmann motioned to fine Ms. Oliver \$1500.00 for non-compliance.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Jamie Waters - Interview conducted by Ms. Echeverria.

Ms. Waters is doing well.

Ms. Waters is compliant in her probation.

No motions were made.

Michael Farnsworth - Interviewed conducted by Dr. Gee.

Mr. Farnsworth is working as a Nurse.

Mr. Farnsworth has great employer reports.

Mr. Farnsworth had two dilutes.

Mr. Farnsworth's family, work and church are very supportive.

Dr. Gee motioned to fine Mr. Farnsworth \$500.00 for non-compliance.

Mr. Pittman seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Cody Rasmussen - Interviewed conducted by Ms. Vick.

Mr. Rasmussen attends therapy and a support group regularly.

Mr. Rasmussen has one no show.

Several motions were made to allow Mr. Rasmussen's RN License to be in alignment with his CRNA License.

Ms. Vick motioned to amend Mr. Rasmussen's supervision to general supervision.

Dr. Gee seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Ms. Vick motioned allowing Mr. Rasmussen to work no more than 50% of shifts overnight.

Dr. Hofmann seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Ms. Vick motioned to allow Mr. Rasmussen working under Register Nurse License at IMC's ER to be allowed to contact pharmacy.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Ms. Vick motioned to allow Mr. Rasmussen working under Register Nurse License at IMC to be allowed to administer narcotics with general supervision.

Dr. Gee seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Ms. Vick motioned to increase Mr. Rasmussen's two-week working hours to 92 hours.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Ian Gowans – Interview conducted by Dr. Wall.

Mr. Gowans has two missed check-ins and one out of range UA.

Mr. Gowans has great employer reports.

Mr. Gowans attends meetings regularly.

No motions were made.

Nadine De Chavez – Interview conducted by Mr. Pittman.

Ms. De Chavez has one missed check-in and one out of range UA.

- Mr. Pittman motioned to close the meeting in accordance with 52-4-205(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Wall.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting was closed at 10:58 and reopened at 11:24.

Ms. De Chavez has one positive Peth test in November 2023.

Ms. De Chavez has one dilute in January 2024.

Mr. Pittman motioned to refer Ms. De Chavez's file back to the division for non-compliance for additional action.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Piper Dereus – Interview conducted by Mr. Pittman.

Ms. Dereus is working as a nurse.

Ms. Dereus has one missed check-in.

Ms. Dereus has one positive UA.

Mr. Pittman recommendation is to get back into therapy, stay compliant and read stipulation order twice a month.

No motions were made.

Annette Howard – Interview conducted by Mr. Pittman.

Ms. Howard is not working as a nurse due to an injury.

Ms. Howard has an expired Practical Nurse License while on probation.

Mr. Pittman motioned to fine Ms. Howard \$1500.00 for a lapsed license.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Whitney Finley – No Show. File reviewed by Ms. Echeverria.

Ms. Finly is not working as a nurse.

Ms. Finly has one missed check-in.

Ms. Finly has two no shows.

Glenda Salas – Interview conducted by Dr Wall.

Ms. Salas is working as a Nurse.

Ms. Salas is attending 12 step program four times a month.

Ms. Salas has a positive Peth test in December.

Dr. Wall's recommendation to read stipulation order more regularly.

No motions were made.

Joseph Gardner – Interview conducted by Dr. Gee.

Mr. Gardner is working as a Nurse.

Mr. Gardner has no missed check-ins.

Mr. Gardner is volunteering at the prison.

Dr. Gee motioned to approve Mr. Garner's mental health and substance disorder with fit to practice.

Ms. Vick seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Dr. Gee motioned to approve Mr. Garner's essay.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Mandy Jarvis - Interviewed conducted by Ms. Vick.

Ms. Jarvis is working as a nurse.

Ms. Jarvis will need to have Dr. Shay as direct supervisor.

Ms. Jarvis will need to have the last four months chart reviews audited by Dr. Shay.

Ms. Vick motioned to fine Ms. Jarvis \$500.00 for non-compliance.

Mr. Pittman seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Carrie Wilson - Interviewed conducted by Dr. Hofmann.

Ms. Wilson is working as a nurse.

Ms. Wilson has three no shows two have been excused.

Ms. Wilson has provided a statement about testing and would have positive UA.

Dr. Hofman motioned to fine Ms. Wilson \$500.00 for non-compliance.

Dr. Wall seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Shannon Borowski – Interview conducted by Dr Hofman.

Ms. Borowski has three no shows and positive UA.

- Mr. Pittman motioned to close the meeting in accordance with 52-4-205(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Gee.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting was closed at 12:09 and reopened at 12:11.

Ms. Borowski is not working as a Nurse.

Ms. Borowski has tested positive for fentanyl.

- Mr. Pittman motioned to close the meeting in accordance with 52-4-205(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Wall.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting was closed at 12:17 and reopened at 12:22.

Dr. Hofmann motioned to fine Ms. Borowski \$1,500.00 for non-compliance.

Dr. Gee seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimously approved.

Amos Grim – Interview conducted by Ms. Echeverria.

Mr. Grim is working as a Nurse.

Mr. Grim is doing well and has great family support.

Ms. Echeverria motioned to accept Mr. Grim's ethics essay.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Vick.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Echeverria motioned to accept Mr. Grim's boundary essay.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Pittman.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Echeverria motioned to accept Mr. Grim's thinking errors essay.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Pittman.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

REQUEST AND APPROVALS:

Marc Hancock – File reviewed by Ms. Vick.
Ms. Vick motioned to accept Marc Hancock’s essay.
Dr. Wall seconded the motion.
The vote in favor was unanimous.

Brandon Aven – File reviewed by Dr. Wall.
Dr. Wall motion to accept Mr. Aven’s essay.
Dr. Gee seconded the motion.
The vote in favor was unanimous.

Dr. Wall motion to accept Mr. Aven’s mental health and substance abuse disorder evaluation with recommendations outlined.
Mr. Pittman seconded the motion.
The vote in favor was unanimous.

Steven Booth – File reviewed by Mr. Pittman.
Mr. Pittman motioned to recommend Mr. Booth’s early termination of probation.
Dr. Wall seconded the motion.
The vote in favor was unanimous.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: APRIL 11, 2024

ADJOURN: 12:55 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 P.M.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred. For specific details, refer to the audio recording.

03/19/24

Luisa Echeverria

Date Approved

Luisa Echeverria - Board of Nursing Member

03/19/2024

Jeff Busjahn

Date Approved

Jeff Busjahn - Bureau Manager, DOPL