

MINUTES

**UTAH BOARD OF NURSING
MEETING**

**August 21, 2014
Room 474 – Fourth Floor – 8:30 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 8:35 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 4:55 p.m.

Bureau Manager:

Debra Hobbins, DNP, APRN

Board Secretary:

Shirlene Kimball

Compliance Specialist:

Connie Call

Conducting:

Peggy Brown, MS, RN

Board Members Present:

Peggy Brown, MS, RN
Alisa Bangerter, BS, RN
Ralph Pittman, LPN
Diana Parrish, BS, public member
Cescilee Rall, BSN, RN
Megan Christensen, BS, public member
Calvin Kremin, MSN, CRNA
Katherine Oswald, MSN, RN
Steven Higginson, MSN, RN
Sheryl Steadman, Ph.D., APRN

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Administer Oath of Office to New Board members: Sheryl Steadman, Katherine Oswald and Steven Higginson:

Dr. Hobbins administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Steadman, Ms. Oswald and Mr. Higginson. The Board welcomed the new members.

Connie Call, Compliance report:

Mr. Pittman made a motion to close the meeting in accordance with 52-4-204(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Ms. Rall seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was closed at 8:25 a.m. Mr. Pittman made a motion to open the meeting. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was opened at 8:32 a.m.

Marie Gygi,
Non-compliance

Mr. Pittman made a motion to close the meeting at 8:37 a.m. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All

Board members voted in favor of closing the meeting. Mr. Pittman made a motion to open the meeting. Ms. Bangerter seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of opening the meeting. The meeting was opened at 8:50 a.m.

Ms. Gygi stated she understands that she was invited to meet with the Board because she is out of compliance with the terms and conditions of her Order. Ms. Gygi stated she missed a drug screen, missed checking-in and did not submit the complete physical exam and fitness for duty statement. Ms. Gygi stated she feels she is doing well with her sobriety. Board members requested that the physical examination and fitness for duty statement be submitted by September 20, 2014.

Mr. Pittman made a motion to issue a \$200.00 fine to be paid by September 20, 2014 due to non-compliance. If the fine is not paid by the September 20, 2014 date, it is recommended that the license be suspended. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

9:00 a.m. adjourned to the Heather Record Hearing:

The Hearing for Heather Record was conducted. The Board meeting was reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

Mark Steinagel,
Report on the NCSBN Annual meeting:

Mr. Steinagel reported on the NCSBN Annual meeting.

Connie Call,
Compliance report:

Ms. Call reported Traci Lujan is requesting early termination of probation. Ms. Lujan was present for the discussion. Ms. Parrish made a motion to grant the request for early termination. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Jamie Anderson requested early termination of probation. Ms. Call indicated Ms. Anderson is currently in compliance with the terms and conditions of her Order. Ms. Anderson was placed on five-year probation. The probation was extended another five years after she reported she abused Lortab. Ms. Anderson has completed three of the additional five-year probation. Ms. Rall

made a motion to terminate probation. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Debra Pittman requested early termination of probation. Mr. Pittman made a motion to terminate probation. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Jill Smith requested early termination of probation. Ms. Smith has completed 29 months of the 36-month probation. Mr. Kremin made a motion to terminate the probation. Ms. Bangerter seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Julie White requested termination of probation. Ms. White has been on probation since 2010 and has almost completed four years of her five-year probation. A motion was made to deny her request based on the circumstances that placed her on probation. The motion was seconded. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Ms. Call reported Marie Gygi paid the fine issued earlier today. Mr. Pittman made a motion to accept Ms. Gygi's self-assessment report. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Ms. Call reported Ann Montgomery submitted her essay for review. Ms. Rall made a motion to accept the essay. Mr. Pittman seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Ms. Call indicated that the Board needs to determine whether Michelle Richmond should attend 12-Step meetings, submit to random drug screens and continue in therapy. Mr. Kremin made a motion that Ms. Richmond will not be required to attend 12-Step meetings or have random drug screens. However, she will need to continue in therapy as recommended by the evaluator. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Julie Balk submitted her request to be approved as

an additional supervisor for Christopher Singer. Mr. Pittman made a motion to approve the additional supervisor. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Pittman made a motion to close the meeting in accordance with 52-4-204(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Ms. Rall seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was closed at 2:47 p.m. Mr. Pittman made a motion to open the meeting. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was opened at 4:00 pm.

Jason Hone,
Christina Hone, wife
Julia Kyte, Attorney

Mr. and Mrs. Hone, and Ms. Kyte were present for the interview. Mitchell Jones was also present.

Mr. Hone stated he would like to explain the circumstance that brought him before the Board. Mr. Pittman made a motion to close the meeting in accordance with 52-4-204(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Ms. Oswald seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was closed at 4:04 p.m. Mr. Pittman made a motion to open the meeting. Mr. Higginson seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion. The meeting was opened.

Mr. Pittman stated that based on information provided by Mr. Hone and a review of 425 pages of documents, Mr. Hone be granted an unrestricted RN license. Ms. Rall seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Nurse Licensure Compact Rule:

Mr. Pittman made a motion to change the Nurse Licensure Compact Rule that the individual must apply for and receive the Utah license within 90 days of moving to Utah. Ms. Parrish seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Education Programs:

Ms. Brown reported on the Education Committee meeting she attended and the discussion with two programs that were recently denied continued accreditation. Representatives from Provo College and Stevens-Henager College met with the Committee to discuss their next step after losing continued accreditation. Ms. Brown reported this is the first time this issue has come up. Committee members discussed the impact on students and what steps the nursing program will need to complete following denial of continuing accreditation. Education Committee members voiced concern that these programs will have students who have been in the program, but who may not graduate from an accredited program. Students who do not graduate from an accredited program would not be allowed to sit for the NCLEX examination and be licensed. Ms. Brown reported that ACEN accreditation allows a program that is denied continued accreditation to reapply immediately for candidacy status. CCNE allows the program to reapply after a six-month period. Ms. Brown reported that Committee members also discussed limiting the number of times a program should be allowed to go through candidacy status. Dr. Hobbins indicated Education Committee members suggested that accreditation must be achieved within five years of accepting students for initial accreditation. However, this does not address the issue of an accredited program losing accreditation. If a program loses accreditation or does not receive accreditation, the individual licensed in Utah may not be able to be licensed in another state or move forward in their nursing education.

Dr. Hobbins stated Education Committee members would continue this discussion to determine how many times a program should be allowed to go through the candidacy process and the length of time needed to receive full accreditation.

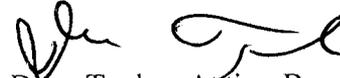
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Date Approved

9/11/14
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Peggy Brown, Chair
Board of Nursing



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