



## **Wyoming State Board of Nursing**

**Mission Statement:** Serve and safeguard the people of Wyoming through the regulation of nursing education and practice.

**Vision Statement:** Acknowledging the dynamic nature of healthcare provides the climate, collaboration and regulatory framework for nurses to practice to the fullest extent of their scope.

**Core Values:** Excellence, Ethics, Education, Safety and Competence

### **Teleconference Meeting Minutes**

February 16, 2016 12:00 p.m. (MST)

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Wyoming Board of Medicine Board Room

130 Hobbs Avenue, Suite A

Cheyenne, WY 82002

In accordance with the State of Wyoming Public Records Act, supporting documentation to the meeting minutes is a public record and is available upon a written request.

Voting Numbers on all decisions and motions are as follows:

In Favor – Opposed – Abstaining – Absent

**Officers:** President Cindy Woods, Vice President (VP) Donna Nurss, Secretary Marjory Christiansen

**Board Members:** Marcie Burr, Kathy Cromer, Susan Howard, Barbara Summers,

**Staff:** Executive Director (ED) Cynthia LaBonde, Legal Assistant Kara Aquirre

**Attorney General's Office:** Assistant Attorney General (AAG) Jessica Frint, Senior Assistant Attorney General (SAAG) Bob Walters

### **Tuesday, February 16, 2016**

#### **Opening**

a) **Call to Order**

President Woods called to order the meeting of the Wyoming State Board of Nursing at 12:04 p.m. on February 16, 2016 via teleconference.

b) **Roll Call**

Executive Director LaBonde conducted a roll call. The following were present:

**Board Members**

Cindy Woods RN, President

Donna Nurss APRN, Vice President (VP)

Marge Christiansen RN, Secretary (joined call at 12:11 p.m.)

Marcie Burr, RN, Board Member (joined call at 12:25 p.m.)

Sue Howard RN, Board Member

Kathy Cromer LPN, Board Member

Barbara Summers, Public Member

**Staff**

Cynthia LaBonde, Executive Director (ED)

Kara Aquirre, Legal Assistant  
Victoria Pike, Compliance & Discipline/Licensing Manager  
Lacey Osburn, Investigative Assistant  
Lori Hart, Practice & Education (PE) Consultant (present via phone for PE section)

Attorney General's (AG) office

Robert Walters, Senior Assistant AG (SAAG)  
Jessica Frint, Assistant AG (AAG)  
Nella Martinez, Paralegal AG office  
Jessica Curless, Paralegal AG office

Visitors

Sean Chambers, Office of Administrative Hearings  
Eric Nordberg, Wyoming Reporting Service Inc.

Leaderphone

Megan Hultman, respondent  
William Struemke, attorney  
Dianna Nicholls, West Park Hospital Director, Rebuttal Witness/Complainant

**c) Declaration of Quorum**

Quorum declared by AAG Frint.

**d) Reordering of the Agenda**

- President Woods requested the January 11-14, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes and all Executive Session Meeting Minutes be removed from the consent agenda to allow for discussion.
- President Woods requested Thomas Moore be removed from the consent agenda as no signed disciplinary documents were available.
- President Woods requested AI#05, Board Orders for Approval be removed from the agenda to allow for discussion.

**AI #01 - Consent Agenda**

c. Settlement Agreements/Stipulations

1. Brianna Clark, RN #30519, Case No. 15-021-CW (Conditional)
2. Disiree Lang, RN #33050, Case No. 14-15-233-DN/MC (Inactive)
3. Judith Abraham, RN #35464, Case No. 14-15-341-MC/SH (Inactive)

d. Notice of Warnings

1. Case No. 15-075, RN
2. Case No. 15-076, CNA
3. Case No. 15-077, CNA
4. Case No. 15-078, RN
5. Case No. 14-15-323, APRN
6. Case No. 15-097, CNA
7. Case No. 15-101, RN

e. Dismissals

- a. Case No. 15-067, RN
- b. Case No. 15-088, APRN

***Motion:** Member Howard moved to adopt the modified consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Member Summers and passed without dissent. (5-0-0-2) Members Christiansen and Burr were absent.*

**AI #02 – Executive Session – Right to Practice-** was not used

*\*\*\*Member Christiansen joined the call at 12:11p.m.*

**AI #03 – Chapter 6 Education- proposed rule revisions**

- ED LaBonde recommended proposed Chapter 6 rule revisions be approved, which includes the suggested change received during the public comment period. The only public comment received praised the proposed rule revisions overall, requesting addition of the word “collaboration” to Section 4(a)(iii)(C) to reflect the relationship with other healthcare providers and to strike the ten (10) clock hours of educational preparation in Section 4(d)(ii)(A)(III) and Section 4(d)(ii)(b)(II) as unnecessary. After review of the public comment, the Practice & Education Committee (PEC) added “collaboration with” to Section 4(a)(iii)(C). The PEC declined to remove or change the ten (10) clock hours of educational preparation as nurses who have a Master’s in Nursing degree may not have received specific training in nursing education.

***Motion:** VP Nurs moved to accept changes to Chapter 6, based on public comment and PEC review, and grant confirmation to move Chapter 6 forward through the rules process. The motion was seconded by Member Cromer and passed without dissent. (6-0-0-1) Member Burr was absent.*

**AI #04 – Practice & Education Committee Board Action**

- a. Revolutionizing Nursing Education in Wyoming (ReNEW) curriculum – Board approval needed for the ReNEW curriculum being adopted by the nursing program colleges. The colleges planning on implementing ReNEW starting fall 2016 are: University of Wyoming, Laramie County Community College, Western Wyoming Community College, Northwest College, Central Wyoming College, Casper College and Eastern Wyoming College.

***Motion:** Member Howard moved to accept the ReNEW curriculum for the Wyoming colleges listed. The motion was seconded by Member Cromer and passed without dissent. (6-0-0-1) Member Burr was absent.*

- b. Advisory Opinions(AO) - Board approval needed for the following AO’s:
  - 1. Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Practice Management- new AO language, not in current rules, is based on Wyoming Board of Medicine requirements for practice termination and closure.
  - 2. Revised Medication Aide – Certified (MA-C)- changes in language pertain to adults and not children.
  - 3. Role of Nurses in Superficial Wound Closure- changes in language address when wound closure by a nurse is appropriate.

***Motion:** Member Summers moved to accept AO #1 – 3 as presented. The motion was seconded by Member Cromer and passed without dissent. (6-0-0-1) Member Burr was absent.*

**AI #05 – Board Orders for Approval** - Items below removed during Reordering of Agenda

- a. Bonnie Asay, CNA #23274, Case No. 15-074-CW
- b. Lacey LeBlanc, CNA Applicant, Case No. 14-15-262-DN

**AI #06 – Rules Promulgation – Chapter 8**

- ED LaBonde pulled proposed Chapter 8 rules revisions from the rules promulgation process per discussion with Advising Attorney Jessica Frint and Legislative Service Office recommendation to allow for revisions to the Statement of Reasons. A “crosswalk” document will be prepared to provide justification for changes made.
- Upon completion of document revisions, Chapter 8 will be re-initiated at Step 1 of the rules promulgation process.

***\*\*\*Member Burr joined the call at 12:25 p.m.***

**AI #07 – Executive Session – Legal Advice - was not used**

**DISCUSSION** The Board discussed changes needed to the January 2016 Board meeting minutes. Jessica Frint, Advising Attorney will assist with changes and work with the Board Secretary for preparation of future Executive Session meeting minutes.

**Recess:** The meeting recessed at 12:32 p.m. as Board business was completed.

**Reconvene:** The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m. for hearings.

**AI #08 – Hearings**

- a. **Megan Hultman, CNA #20349, Case No. 15-16-109-MTX (Summary Suspension)**

Hearing began with introductions around the room. Ms. Hultman and her attorney were present via Leaderphone. The Board heard oral argument for Summary Suspension filed by the Petitioner. Both parties presented their argument.

***\*\*\*Member Burr left the call before the Cooper hearing.***

- b. **Sandra Cooper, CNA #2024, Case No. 15-16-108-MTX (Summary Suspension)**

Hearing began with introductions around the room. Ms. Cooper was not present. SAAG Walters presented the background of the case.

***\*\*\*Member Nurss left the call before the Executive Session.***

**Motion:** At 2:38 p.m. Member Summers moved to enter into Executive Session for right to practice of a professional person. Member Cromer seconded the motion and the motion passed without dissent. (5-0-0-2) Members Burr and Nurss were absent.

2:55 p.m. The Board members returned to public session.

**Motion:** Member Summers moved to summarily suspend the nursing certificate of Megan Hultman, CNA #20349, Case No. 15-16-108-MTX pending further proceedings or Board action. Member Cromer seconded the motion and the motion passed without dissent. (5-0-0-2) Members Burr and Nurss were absent.

**Motion:** *Member Cromer moved to accept Petitioner's motion for default judgment for Sandra Cooper, CNA #2024, Case No. 15-16-108-MTX. Member Summers seconded the motion and the motion passed without dissent. (5-0-0-2) Members Burr and Nurss were absent.*

**Motion:** *Member Cromer moved to summarily suspend the nursing certificate of Sandra Cooper, CNA #2024, Case No. 15-16-108-MTX pending further proceedings or Board action. Member Howard seconded the motion and the motion passed without dissent. (5-0-0-2) Members Burr and Nurss were absent.*

**Adjournment:** President Woods declared the Board of Nursing adjourned at 2:58 p.m. on February 16, 2016.

Minutes submitted by: Cynthia LaBonde, Executive Director

Minutes reviewed by: Kara Aquirre, Legal Assistant

Victoria Pike, Compliance and Discipline/Licensing Manager

Cindy Woods, President

Marge Christiansen, Secretary

Jessica Frint, Assistant Advising Attorney

**Minutes Approved on: March 10, 2016**