

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR NURSING

DATE: December 6, 2023

TIME: 8:34 AM

LOCATION: Via Microsoft TEAMS

MEETING MINUTES

Name	Member	Present (Y/N)	DPH STAFF	Present (Y/N)
Patricia C. Bouffard, RN, DNSc, Chairperson	RN Member	Y	Stacy Schulman, Legal Counsel to the Board	Y
Cynthia L. Arpin, EdD, MSN, RN	RN Member	N	Tyra Peluso, Board Liaison	Y
Jason Blando	Public	Y	Helen Smith, DPH	Y
Mary E. Dietmann, EdD, APRN, ACNS-BC, CNE	RN Member	Y	Aden Baume, Hearing Office Staff Attorney	Y
Lisa S. Freeman, BA	Public	Y	Dana Dalton, DPH	Y
Salvatore Diaz, DNP, MSN, RN	RN Member	N	Laura Morris, DPH	Y
Rebecca Martinez, LPN	LPN Member	Y	Charai Bellini	Y
Gina Reiners, PhD, APRN, PMHNP-BC, PMHCNS-BC	RN Member	N	Susanne Cammarata	Y
Brett M. Prestia, MD	Public Member	Y		

CALL TO ORDER 8:34am

1. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2023, REGULAR MEETING

- Rebecca Marinez moved to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2023, regular meeting, as presented. Brett Prestia seconded the motion. Mary Dietmann and Brett Prestia abstained. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. MEMORANDUM OF DECISION

- Kathleen Cataford, Petition No. 2022-423. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton for the Department. Mary Dietmann moved to correct the MOD. Rebecca Martinez seconded the motion. Mary Dietmann moved to approve the amended MOD. Rebecca Martinez seconded the motion. Jason Blando abstained. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

- Kimberly A. Anglin, Petition No. 2023-1405. Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan for the Department. Respondent did not appear. Mary Dietmann moved to grant the

motion for summary suspension. Rebecca Martinez seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

- Christopher Kay, Petition No. 2023-1397. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzino for the Department. Respondent did not appear. Rebecca Martinez moved to grant the motion for summary suspension. Mary Dietmann seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. CONSENT ORDER

- Victoria Paradis, Petition No. 2022-1023. Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan for the Department. Respondent did not appear. Mary Dietmann moved to approve the consent order. Brett Prestia seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. PRE-HEARING REVIEW

- Jennifer Barr, Petition No. 2022-734. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton for the Department. After consideration of Attorney Newton's presentation of evidence, the Chair recommended that the Department proceed with a hearing.

6. FACT-FINDING

- Fact-Finding regarding Removal of Lincoln Technical Institute ("LTI") Shelton Campus, Day Group LPN Nursing Program. This matter was continued from the November 15, 2023, regular meeting. Helen Smith appeared for the Department. Patricia DeLucia, and Deborah Little appeared on behalf of LTI. Mary Dietmann moved to remove the Shelton Day Group LPN Nursing Program from the list of approved LPN Nursing Programs. Brett Prestia seconded the motion. After discussion by the Board, the motion passed with Chair Bouffard voting nay.
- Fact-Finding regarding Removal of Porter and Chester Institute ("PCI") Waterbury Campus, Evening Group LPN Nursing Program. This matter was continued from the November 15, 2023, regular meeting. Sherry Geifzu and Helen Smith appeared for the Department. Attorney Joan Feldman, Attorney Eric Del Pozo, and Marianne Baril appeared on behalf of PCI. Mary Dietmann moved to remove the Waterbury Campus, Evening Group LNP Nursing Program from the list of approved LPN Nursing Programs. Rebecca Martinez seconded the motion. Brett Prestia abstained. After discussion by the Board, the motion passed with Chair Bouffard voting nay.

7. HEARINGS

- Melonie J. Daley, Petition No. 2023-135. Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan appeared for the Department. Respondent appeared on her own behalf. This matter was continued from November 15, 2023.

Following the close of the hearing the Board conducted fact-finding. Mary Dietmann made a motion, seconded by Rebecca Martinez that the respondent be found on all charges. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Dietmann made a motion, seconded by Rebecca Martinez that Respondent's RN license be revoked. Jason Blando abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

- Katie Ann Martins, Reinstatement Hearing. Petition No. 2023-313. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina appeared for the Department. Respondent appeared on her own behalf. This matter was continued from November 15, 2023.

Following the close of the hearing the Board conducted fact-finding. Mary Dietmann moved to deny reinstatement. Rebecca Martinez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Sheila Harrington, Petition No. 2023-271. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina appeared for the Department. Attorney John Loconsolo appeared for the Respondent. This hearing was continued from October 4, 2023.

Mary Dietmann made a motion, seconded by Brett Prestia, to enter Executive Session for the purposes of discussion of confidential medical and treatment records. The motion was approved unanimously. The Board entered executive session at 11:52am. All members of the Board, Attorney Stacy Schulman, Attorney Linda Fazzina, Attorney John Loconsolo, the Respondent, Board Liaison Tyra Anne Peluso, and the stenographer were present during the executive session. There were no votes taken during the executive session. Public session resumed at 12:39 pm.

Following the close of the hearing the Board conducted fact-finding. Brett Prestia made a motion, seconded by Mary Dietmann, that the respondent be found on all charges. The motion passed unanimously.

Brett Prestia made a motion, seconded by Mary Dietmann, that the respondent be placed on probation with conditions. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Tracy L Rosenzweig, Petition No. 2022-859. Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan appeared for the Department. Respondent appeared on her own behalf and provided an answer on the record.

Mary Dietmann made a motion, seconded by Brett Prestia, to enter Executive Session for the purposes of discussion of confidential medical and treatment records. The motion was approved unanimously. The Board entered executive session at 1:42 pm. All members of the Board, Attorney Stacy Schulman, Attorney Craig Sullivan, the Respondent, Board Liaison Tyra Anne Peluso, and the stenographer were present during the executive session. There were no votes taken during the executive session. Public session resumed at 2:01pm.

The Department moved to amend the Statement of Charges. After discussion, Lisa Freeman moved to approve the amended Statement of Charges. Brett Prestia seconded the motion. The motion passed with Jason Blando voting nay.

Following the close of the hearing the Board conducted fact-finding. Jason Blando made a motion, seconded by Rebecca Martinez, that the respondent be found on all charges. Lisa Freeman abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

Jason Blando made a motion, seconded by Brett Prestia that the respondent be placed on probation with conditions. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Alan Y Manubag, Petition No. 2022-699. Staff Attorney Joelle Newton appeared for the Department. Respondent appeared on his own behalf and provided an answer on the record.

Following the close of the hearing the Board conducted fact-finding. Brett Prestia made a motion, seconded by Rebecca Martinez that the respondent be found on all charges. The motion was approved unanimously.

Brett Prestia made a motion, seconded by Jason Blando, that the respondent be placed on probation with conditions. The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Rebecca Martinez made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Lisa Freeman. The meeting was adjourned at 4:39pm.