

1 STATE OF ALASKA
2 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
3 DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
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5 BOARD OF CERTIFIED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIVES
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7 Videoconference
8 June 5, 2019
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10 By the authority of AS 08.065.020 and in compliance with the provision of AS 44.62, Article 6, a
11 scheduled videoconference meeting of the Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives was held
12 June 5, 2019; 333 Willoughby Ave, 9th Floor Commissioners Conference Room, Juneau, AK.
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14 **Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order/Roll Call**
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16 Chair Schneider called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM AKDT.

17 Members present: Dana Brown, Deborah Schneider, Dianna Kristeller, and Dr. Dana Espindola

18 Staff Present: Renee Hoffard - Records & Licensing Supervisor, Lacey Derr – Licensing Examiner
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20 **Agenda Item 2 – Review Agenda/Review Minutes**

21 **A motion was made to approve the draft agenda as written by D. Brown; seconded by D.
22 Espindola, the motion passed unanimously.**

23 **A motion was made to approve the draft minutes as written for the February 22, 2019
24 meeting by D. Kristeller; seconded by D. Brown; the motion passed unanimously.**
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26 **Agenda Item 3 – Ethics Report**
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28 No ethics to report.
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30 **Agenda Item 4 – Audit Review**
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32 The Board reviewed the 3 applicants that were selected for audit. After reviewing the
33 information provided, it was decided as follows:
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36 **Via roll call vote, the following audits were reviewed and approved to be closed by the board.**

37 **Dana Brown**

38 Holly Steiner
39 Kristen Gerrish

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41 **Agenda Item 5 – Law Letter Review & Regulations Update**

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43 The Board discussed the previous Regulations Project which was tabled due to needing
44 additional and/or clarifying information. It was previously discussed to update the educational
45 requirements of midwives to have educational programs be MEAC accredited. The main
46 questions raised were can the Board make such a change or does it have to go through
47 regulation and does that change still meet the legal requirements of education for the State of
48 Alaska. It was determined yes it is both a regulations change requiring the regulations process
49 and the verbiage used is corrected to remain within legal requirements.

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51 **A motion was made to approve the Regulations Amendment, 12 AAC 14.200 (a) & (b) Course**
52 **of Study Requirements, to move forward with corrections to the date to be reflected as**
53 **January 1, 2020. Motion by D. Kristeller; seconded by D. Brown, the motion passed**
54 **unanimously by roll call vote.**

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56 The Board discussed the tabled application for an applicant whose license has been
57 expired/lapsed for 5+ years. There were no guidelines written as to specifically how an
58 applicant would be re-licensed and the Board be able to adequately asses their current
59 knowledge of Midwifery after so many years of inactivity. As per the letter provided by the
60 department of law, there was nothing to prevent the applicant from Re-Applying as a “new”
61 midwife to the State of Alaska. The applicant ended up withdrawing their application. The
62 Board decided to take up a new Regulations Change to add a section to 12 AAC 14.110,
63 requiring additional items to become re-licensed after 5 years or more of a lapsed license.

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65 **A motion was made to add an amendment to 12 AAC 14.110 to add section (e) as discussed:**

66 **(e) If an applicant has a certification that has been lapsed for more than 5 years, the applicant**
67 **must submit:**

68 **(1) documentation that complies with 12 AAC 14.470(b)(4)(A-D); and**

69 **(2) documentation that complies with 12 AAC 14.470(b)(5); and**

70 **(3) documents completion of**

71 **(A) at least 20 preceptor-supervised delivers in the 24 months immediately preceding**
72 **the application for license in which the applicant was the primary or assisting midwife;**
73 **in at least ten of the supervised deliveries, the applicant must have been the primary**
74 **midwife; and**

75 (B)at least 10 newborn examinations; and
76 (C) at least 30 prenatal examinations; and
77 (D) at least 10 postpartum examinations, and

78 (4) verification of passing the North American Registry of Midwives Examination (NARM) sent
79 directly to the department from NARM within 12 months of the date of application submittal.
80 Motion by D. Brown; seconded by D. Kristeller, the motion passed unanimously by roll call
81 vote.

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83 The Board discussed other potential issues they see in their regulations that may need to be
84 addressed while taking on additional regulations projects. It was felt the regulations were in a
85 good position with the addition of the other 2 regulations changes.

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87 **Agenda Item 6 – Public Comment**

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89 There was no one present in the room or on the phone to provide public comment.

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91 **Public Comment Closed at 11:10am.**

92 **Agenda Item 7 – Application Review**

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94 The Board discussed the application up for vote. It was decided to approve via Board Vote:

95 **J. Newport**

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97 **Agenda Item 8 – Annual Report**

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99 The Board reviewed the final draft of the Annual Report. After a brief review and discussion, a
100 motion was made:

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102 **A motion was made to accept the Annual Report as written by D. Espindola; seconded by D.**
103 **Brown, the motion passed unanimously via Roll Call Vote.**

104 **Item 8 – Division Update**

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106 **A motion was made to postpone the Division Update to the October Meeting by D. Brown;**
107 **seconded by D. Kristeller, the motion passed unanimously.**

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109 **Item 9 – Election of New Officers**

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111 A motion was made to postpone the Election of New Officers to the October Meeting by D.
112 Brown; seconded by D. Kristeller, the motion passed unanimously.

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114 Item 10 - Adjourn

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116 A motion was made to Adjourn the Meeting by D. Brown; seconded by D. Kristeller, the
117 motion passed unanimously.

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119 Meeting Adjourned 11:45am

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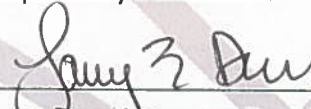
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Respectfully Submitted:

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Lacey Derr, Licensing Examiner

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Deborah Schneider, CDM Chair

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Date