

STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND DECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

THE ATWOOD BUILDING  
550 WEST 7th AVENUE, SUITE 104  
ANCHORAGE, AK  
BOARD OF NURSING  
MEETING MINUTES

October 26-28, 2016

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and in compliance with the professions of AS 44.62, Article 6, a meeting of the Board of Nursing was held in the Atwood Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Conference Room 104, in Anchorage, Alaska

**Wednesday, October 26, 2016**

**Agenda Item 1            CALL TO ORDER**

Called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 26, 2016

**ROLL CALL**

Those present, constituting a quorum were:

- Julie Gillette, Chair, Public Member, Fairbanks
- Sharyl Toscano, PhD, MS, BS, RN-CPN, Vice Chair, Anchorage
- Jennie Grimwood, Secretary, Public Member, Cordova
- Tina Gillis, RN, Soldotna
- Wendy Thon, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, FAANP, Eagle River
- Jennifer Stuke, LPN, Wasilla

Let the record reflect that Thomas Hendrix is not in the room at this time.

Staff present at various times, and telephonically, from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing:

- Gail Bernth, ANP, Executive Administrator
- Lisa Maroney, Licensing and Records Supervisor
- Alvin Kennedy, Senior Investigator
- Jasmine Bautista, Investigator III
- JoAnne Williamson, Investigator III
- Michelle Wall-Rood, Investigator III
- Sonja Lipker, Investigator III
- Nina Akers, Probation Monitor

## **Introductions**

None

## **Agenda**

**On a motion duly made by Tina Gillis, seconded by Wendy Thon and carried unanimously with 5 ayes**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska, accepts the Agenda.**

Thomas Hendrix arrived at the Board Meeting at 9:10 am.

## **Ethics Report**

**Wendy Thon** attended a meeting with the ANPA Group.

**Sharyl Toscano** disclosed and completed the ethics form for attending a National Council State Board of Nursing CORE committee meeting in September.

Sharyl Toscano discussed a potential ethical violation allegation reported to her. She provided email from Barbara Berner, Director UAA School of Nursing and her response.

Dear Professor Toscano,

It has come to my attention that you brought up a discussion with the Alaska Board of Nursing (ABON) related to a change in the date for educational program reporting requirements from October 1 to the spring. I am very concerned that this could be perceived as a violation of ethics. You are faculty at UAA and you have expressed disagreement with the SON administration in both personal communications and in faculty meetings that you prefer that faculty reports be due in the fall to coincide with the Collective Bargaining Agreement reporting requirements for performance evaluation. Changing the nursing program requirement date to spring would make for difficulties for SON Administration in collating faculty data and would also interfere with the logical timeline of reporting-the SON reporting on the activities of an academic year at the end of the academic year.

Dr. Toscano, as a board member, you appear to be encouraging the ABON to make changes in regulation that are in your own self-interest, in the interest of some SON faculty, rather than in the interest of ABON and the State. You did not ask for input from either SON administration or program chairs, the individuals who would be affected by this change, nor did you inform us of this potential change to allow us to be present or to provide testimony. Making a change to require educational program reports due in the spring would, in effect, allow you to address an internal School of Nursing conflict through ABON action rather than through development of an equitable solution at the SON.

Rather than make a formal complaint, I believe that I need to make this concern known to you first. If you persist in bringing this issue before the ABON, I will write a letter to the Attorney General addressing a potential ethical violation on your part and ask for investigation. I am happy to discuss my concerns with you further. I am also happy to discuss your concerns regarding the internal operations of the SON.

Regards,

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Barbara Berner, EdD, APRN, FNP-BC, FAANP  
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Response to Dr. Berner's email dated sept 1, 2016

I can assure you as a member of the Board, I act ethically, never for personal gain, and always in the interests of justice and the integrity of the nursing profession. Ethics prohibit me and all Nursing Board members from addressing Board matters with Barb ex parte. Given that she is also my supervisor at the University, and given that she has now expressed such a profoundly staunch opinion to me directly, including a threat to file what amounts to frivolous ethics complaint, I can assure you and her that I reported the matter directly to my ethics supervisor and I will be forced to recuse myself from voicing any opinion on the matter, should it come up before the Board, simply in order to avoid the appearance of impropriety and conflict of interest that her email has created.

Reported to Chair Julie Gillette on Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 2016

Initial email and this response presented during ethics reports portion of the BON October 26<sup>th</sup> 2016 in Anchorage Alaska.

Vice Chair BON

Sharyl Eve Toscano PhD, MS, BS, RN-CPN

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Tina Gillis, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, Sharyl Toscano recused herself, it was**

**RESOLVED that Sharyl Toscano become a full member of the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska and not recuse herself.**

Julie Gillette: Travel must be approved via email. Upon receiving the email contact travel and let them know what your plans are.

## **Agenda Item 2**

### **ADJUDICATION**

**On a motion duly made by Tina Gillis, seconded by Jennie Grimwood, and carried unanimously with 6 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing cases and reports by the investigative team, Board staff members are to remain during session.**

The Board entered into Executive Session at 9:22 am.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 10:28 am.

The Board went on Break at 10:28 am.

The Board returned from Break at 10:41 am.

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Tina Gillis, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the**

**purpose of discussing cases and reports by the investigative team, Board staff members are to remain during session.**

The Board entered into Executive Session at 10:42 am.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 12:36 pm.

The Board went on lunch break at 12:36 pm.

The Board returned from lunch break at 1:30 pm.

The Board introduced itself. All members were present.

Guests present in the room in the afternoon offered self-introductions. Some of those introduced included:

- Laura Sarcone, Certified Nurse Midwife, APRN Alliance
- Beth Farnstrom, Alaska Nurse Association
- Pat Reynaga, RN, Providence Alaska Medical Center
- Kim Culross RN, Corrections
- Paula Ciniero, BSN, RN (telephonically)
- Dr. Olsen, South Peninsula Hospital (telephonically)
- Halie Bradshaw, South Peninsula Hospital (telephonically)
- Candy Rutledge, South Peninsula Hospital (telephonically)
- Shara Sutherlin, South Peninsula Hospital (telephonically)

**Agenda Item 3                      Recognition of Oncology Certification for ANP**

Cori Keene was not available. Discussion focused on whether the Oncology NP may be licensed in this state. The decision was tabled until after regulation discussion on Friday.

**Agenda Item 4                      Yearly Update from South Peninsula Hospital**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Sharyl Toscano and carried unanimously by 6 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, no longer requires the South Peninsula Hospital to submit annual reviews.**

**Agenda Item 5**

**South Peninsula Hospital Nitrous Oxide for Labor Analgesia**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Sharyl Toscano and carried unanimously by 6 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska approves South Peninsula Hospital's Nitrous Oxide program for labor with the requirement of:**

- **3 cases are with a preceptor**
- **Key to Nitrous Oxide storage is locked and monitored**
- **Nurses may refuse to administer Nitrous Oxide**
- **Dosimeter badge is available for monitoring exposure**
- **Percent of Nitrous Oxide not to exceed 50/50**

**Agenda Item 6**

**Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Regional Hospital Nitrous Oxide for Labor Analgesia**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Thomas Hendrix and carried unanimously by 6 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, approves Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Regional Hospital's Nitrous Oxide program for labor with the requirement of:**

- **3 cases served with a preceptor**
- **Key to Nitrous Oxide storage is locked and monitored**
- **Nurses may refuse to administer Nitrous Oxide**
- **Dosimeter Badge is available for monitoring exposure**
- **Percent of Nitrous Oxide not to exceed 50/50**
- **Report back to the board in 1 year with the total number of nurses completed competency, number of cases done and number of adverse events.**

**Agenda Item 7**

**Acupuncture for Detoxification presented by Paula Ciniero, BSN, RN**

**On a motion duly made by Thomas Hendrix and seconded by Tina Gillis and carried with 4 ayes and 1 opposed, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, does not accept acupuncture or dry needling as an expanded scope of practice for RN's.**

**Agenda Item 8                      Buprenorphine prescribing for pain                      Carol Klamser DNP, FNP-BC**

This is not an expanded scope. The nurse may prescribe a medication that she is legally able to prescribe. The Board recommended that Carol Klamser DNP, FNP-BC address this topic with the Board of Pharmacy.

**Agenda Item 9                      UV Therapy                      Mary Ann Rowan ANP**

This is not an expanded scope. The Board accepts Mary Ann Rowan APRN's Dermatology certification as a sub-specialty of her primary certification as an FNP.

The Board went on break at 3:09 pm.  
The Board returned from break at 3:25 pm.

**Agenda Item 10                      Use of Ketamine**

Nurses may use ketamine per the 2015 Advisory Opinion on Conscious Sedation.

**Adjudication Continued**

**On a motion duly made by Sharyl Toscano and seconded by Jennifer Stukey and carried with 6, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the surrender of Registered Nurse License #NUR R 23386, Case number 2016-001063, Linda J Lee, by the parties hereby adopts the license surrender in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon and seconded by Tina Gillis and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, 1 recused, it was**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case # 2016-000127, Anne M McCarron, license number NUR R 15294, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.

**This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing. The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondents license, without additional order from the Board of Nursing or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon and seconded by Tina Gillis and carried with 5, it was**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the surrender Case number 2016-000139, Monica G Sizemore, License #NUR P 7156 adopted the license surrender in this matter.

**This license surrender takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette, seconded by Wendy Thon and carried by 6 ayes, 1 opposed, it was**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, grant applicant Sompong Khamsomphou an unencumbered CNA Certificate.

Let the record reflect that the Board Chair signed the original documents.

Let the record reflect there were no Ex-Parte communications during the discussion of these orders.



## **Agenda Item 11      Advisory Opinions Review Spreadsheet**

A portion of Advisory opinions were reviewed and the remaining portion will be reviewed Friday, October 28, 2016.

**On a motion made by Tina Gillis, seconded by Wendy Thon  
and passed with 6 ayes**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing will continue to  
work with Advisory Opinion Spreadsheet for 30 more  
minutes.**

The Board recessed at 5:01 pm until 9:00 am Thursday October 27, 2016 in Anchorage, Alaska.

### **Thursday, October 27, 2016**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, October 27, 2016

#### **ROLL CALL**

Those present, constituting a quorum were:

- Julie Gillette, Chair, Public Member, Fairbanks
- Sharyl Toscano, PhD, MS, BS, RN-CPN, Vice Chair, Anchorage
- Jennie Grimwood, Secretary, Public Member, Cordova
- Tina Gillis, RN, Soldotna
- Wendy Thon, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, FAANP, Eagle River
- Jennifer Stukey, LPN, Wasilla
- Thomas Hendrix, PhD, RN

Staff present at various times, and telephonically, from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing:

- Gail Bernth, ANP, Executive Administrator
- Lisa Maroney, Licensing and Records Supervisor
- Sandi Fredrickson, Nurse Consultant
- Dave Worrell, CNA Licensing Examiner

## **Introductions**

- Pat Reynaga RN, Providence Alaska Medical Center
- Laura Sarcone, Certified Nurse Midwife, APRN Alliance
- Lisa Leskin, Certified Nurse Midwife
- Beth Farnstrom, Alaska Nurses Association
- Janice Floyd, Charter College
- Chris Logan, Registered Nurse Anesthetist
- Bridgette Roughneen, Providence Alaska Medical Center

## **Agenda**

**On a motion duly made by Jennie Grimwood, seconded by Jennifer Stukey and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was resolved**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska, accepts the Agenda with the following amendments: add items 12A, 18A, and 19A. Also, if time permits, review Advisory Opinions.**

## **Public Testimony**

- Pat Reynaga, RN, Providence Health System Alaska. Providence thanks the Board for adding International Association of Continuing Education & Training onto the list of approved CE Providers for the state. Requested they be added to the list through 12 AAC 44.610. Providence had 20 RN's participate and graduate from the Duke University Population Care Coordination Program and these CE's were very important to them. The disciplinary updates are still not on the website causing difficulty researching licenses.
- Laura Sarcone, CNM, testified on behalf of the APRN Alliance. Page 53, 12 AAC 44.966(H)(3) List of allowable injectable medications. A motion was made at the October 2015 meeting to repeal that section but it is in the new regulations. Legal suggested that it not be repealed. The APRN Alliance is opposed to this regulation due to its limitations. The regulation states medication on the list cannot be delegated. Laura wants it on the record that the APRN Alliance's stance continues to be that this regulation should be repealed. A valid question was raised, who is responsible for these regulations, lawyers or the Board? The Board shares the APRN Alliance's frustrations.

### **Advisory Opinions**

Advisory opinions were reviewed and discussion will continue Friday, October 28, 2016.

#### **Agenda Item 12      Education**

UAA Kodiak Adjunct Faculty request submitted by Maureen O'Malley

**On a motion duly made by Thomas Hendrix, seconded by Wendy Thon, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska accepts UAA request for Kodiak adjunct faculty approval of Sonja Marie Mortenson.**

#### **Agenda Item 12A      Education**

Janice Floyd of Charter College provided an update regarding their accreditation. No action needed by the Board.

#### **Agenda Item 13      Annual School of Nursing report due dates**

The Annual School Report due date is to remain October 1st as per regulation 12 AAC 44.140. The Board of Nursing Annual Report will reflect this date in the FY 2018 report.

The Board went on Break at 10:05 am.

The Board returned from Break at 10:20 am.

#### **Agenda Item 14      NCLEX/NCSBN Education Testing Reports**

The testing reports were reviewed by the Board and no action is required at this time. They were presented by Lisa Moroney.

#### **Agenda Item 15      RN Refresher Course Reviews**

The Board tabled any reviews until the January 2017 meeting.

**Agenda Item 16****CNA Program**

The CNA report, program status reports, and testing results were reviewed by the Board. Job Corps in Palmer and the Anchorage School District are providing testing sites. The Board would like to publicly thank Providence for providing testing sites. Testing is offered within a month of graduation. Site visits will be caught up May 2107. Sandi Frederickson presented this agenda item.

**On a motion duly made by Thomas Hendrix, seconded by Wendy Thon, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska grant provisional approval to Charter College Nursing Assistant Training Program and Nellie's Nursing Assistant Training.**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Tina Gillis, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska approve Alaska Technical Center in Kotzebue, Pioneer Extended Care Center in Anchorage, Caregiver Training Academy in Anchorage, PWSCC and Providence Valdez Medical Center, UAF Denali Center in Fairbanks, KPC Kachemak Bay Homer, KPC Kenai Campus and Heritage Place Soldotna be approved for the next 2 years.**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Tina Gillis, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska approve Chugiak Eagle River Senior Center CNA Educational Program for 2 years, monitored after 1 year and reevaluated if less than 80%.**

**Agenda Item 17****Retired License Status Checklist**

**On a motion duly made by Sharyl Toscano, seconded by Thomas Hendrix, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska approve the application checklist for retired license status.**

**Agenda Item 18      Licensing Reports**

The Board reviewed the licensing reports. No action is necessary at this time.

**Agenda Item 18A      Medication Bottle as a legal order**

Karen Atherton from the Pioneer Home in Palmer discussed the difficulties in obtaining orders for their residential care population. This is an assisted living facility and physicians send the orders to the pharmacy and the resident provides a bottle. This facility is 75% VA. Discussion occurred and the decision was tabled until Friday for a motion.

**Agenda Item 19      Information Exchange**

Sharyl Toscano provided an update on the CORE Program.

**Agenda Item 19A      NSCBN Information**

Information was provided from the NSCBN President.

Julie Gillette summarized the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting with the NSCBN Board Presidents.

**Agenda Item 20      SB 74 Update**

Presented by Board Member and SB74 Representative, Wendy Thon. The Prescription Guideline Committee met October 4<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussed Schedule II drugs with a goal of reducing over prescribing. Prescription drug monitoring is key to prevention. Arizona and Washington state guidelines are being used as resources. The committee meets again in November.

**Agenda Item 21      PL-PIP Update**

The intent of this project is to increase the speed of obtaining a license. The timeline to streamline this process is 12 months. The Division is working with the Medical and Nursing Boards. This process will require regulation changes.

The Board went on lunch break at 12:15 pm.  
The Board returned from lunch break at 1:15 pm.

**Agenda Item 22      APRN Alliance Report**

Laura Sarcone provided a written update from the APRN Alliance. Tracy Wiese from the Alliance briefed the Board on upcoming events and led a discussion regarding their proposed regulations as they relate to the recently passed SB 53. The Alliance is still working on a solution to allow APRNs to sign death certificates.

**Agenda Item 23      Proposed APRN Regulations**

The Board reviewed the APRN regulations submitted by the Alliance. Tracy Wiese submitted and narrated the requested changes.

The Board went on Break at 3:05 pm.  
The Board returned from Break at 3:18 pm.

**Agenda Item 24      Proposed Statute Changes**

Proposed statute changes were reviewed.

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette, seconded by Sharyl Toscano, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska leave Sec. 08.68.100 as is.**

## **Agenda 25**

### **Proposed Regulation Changes**

Proposed regulation changes were discussed. No motions were made.

**The Board recessed at 4:39 pm until 9:00 am Friday October 28, 2016 in Anchorage, Alaska.**

## **Friday, October 28, 2016**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Friday October 28, 2016.

### **ROLL CALL**

Those present, constituting a quorum were:

- Julie Gillette, Chair, Public Member, Fairbanks
- Sharyl Toscano, PhD, MS, BS, RN-CPN, Vice Chair, Anchorage
- Thomas Hendrix PhD, RN
- Tina Gillis, RN, Soldotna
- Wendy Thon, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, FAANP, Eagle River
- Jennifer Stuke, LPN, Wasilla

Let the record reflect that our secretary Jennie Grimwood is not in attendance today.

Staff present at various times, and telephonically, from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing:

- Gail Bernth, ANP, Executive Administrator
- Lisa Maroney, Licensing and Records Supervisor
- Jasmine Bautista, Investigator III
- JoAnne Williamson, Investigator III
- Michelle Wall-Rood, Investigator III

- Charles Ward, Paralegal (telephonically)
- John Clark, Investigator

### **Introductions**

Guests present in the room throughout the day offered self-introductions.

- Laura Sarcone, Certified Nurse Midwife, APRN Alliance
- Beth Farnstrom, Alaska Nurse Association
- Pat Reynaga RN, Providence Alaska Medical Center
- Kim Culross RN, Corrections
- Audrey Karriker, Corrections
- Chris Logan, CRNA
- Dennis Murray, ASHNHA (telephonically)

### **Agenda**

The division and budget updates were not available. The Board reallocated the time for Advisory Opinions and an additional Executive Session.

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Tina Gillis and carried unanimously with 6 ayes**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska, accepts the Agenda as amended.**

### **Public Testimony**

The Board entered into public testimony at 9:05 am.

- Dennis Murray – Thanked the Board for approving Charter College CNA program. He also supports and feels that the proposed regulation for temporary licensure will work.
- Julie Cole – Fairbanks. Her school children are generally healthy, with no daily meds. Grateful for nurses at the school. Cannot afford health insurance & saves money for simple injuries. Does not agree with the Fairbanks school district removing school nurses because she pays her taxes that supports the school system and that includes school nurses.
- Valerie Arnold – Children in all 3 levels of school, elementary, junior high and high school. Feels that nurses need to be in the



schools. Nurses see things that kids are not aware of in themselves. Disagrees with the Fairbanks borough cutting the school budget for school nurses.

- Bridget Roughneen – CNS Licensee, Revisions to APRN regulations. Would like to see full representation of the CNS in the regulations and defined limits on scope of practice.
- Public testimony ended at 9:40 am.

#### **Advisory Opinions:**

Advisory opinions were discussed and reviewed in their entirety. Action was tabled until the next board meeting in January 2017.

The Board went on Break at 10:02 am.

The Board returned from Break at 10:15 am.

#### **ADJUDICATION**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Tina Gillis, and carried unanimously with 6 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing cases and reports by the investigative team, Board staff members are to remain during session.**

The Board entered into Executive Session at 10:16am.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 11:45am.

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette, seconded by Thomas Hendrix and carried by 5 ayes, 1 abstention, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having reviewed the application for Karen A Nelson, License NUA-A-10380, allow the continuation of CNA certification in case # 2016-000861 Karen A. Nelson.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Sharyl Toscano and carried with 5 ayes and 1 nay, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, permit Karen A Nelson, RN Applicant, Case# 2016-000861 and 2016-000884 be allowed to sit for the NCLEX Examination.**

**On a motion duly made by Sharyl Toscano and seconded by Jennifer Stukey and carried with 3 ayes, 2 nays, and 1 abstention, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, upon successful passing of the NCLEX Examination and having met all other requirements issue an unencumbered license to Karen A Nelson, RN Applicant, Case# 2016-000861 and 2016-000884.**

Thomas Hendrix departed from the meeting at 11:52am.

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Sharyl Toscano and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the Voluntary license surrender, in the matter of Jadra Alvord, Practical Nurse License NUR P 6549, Case number 2015-000655, hereby adopts the surrender in its entirety, effective immediately.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Jennifer Stukey and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the Voluntary license surrender, in the matter of Sajne Johnson, Practical Nurse License NUR P 6017, Case number 2015-000718, hereby adopts the surrender in its entirety, effective immediately.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Tina Gillis and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the Voluntary license surrender, in the matter of Anna P. Leigh, Registered Nurse License NUR R 16910, Case number 2015-001393, hereby adopts the surrender in its entirety, effective immediately.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Wendy Thon and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the proposed Consent Agreement, Decision and Order under Case # 2015-001835, in the matter of Jacqueline Michels, Registered Nurse license number NUR R 35263, adopts this Consent Agreement, Decision and Order in this matter.**

**This Consent Agreement, Decision, and Order take immediate effect upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Tina Gillis and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the proposed Consent Agreement, Decision and Order under Case # 2014-001598, in the matter of Laura J Sawdon, Registered Nurse license number NUR R 18414, adopts this Consent Agreement, Decision and Order in this matter.**

**This Consent Agreement, Decision, and Order take immediate effect upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Sharyl Toscano and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and**

**Proposed Decision and Order, Case # 2016-000209, applicant Eric Balka, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing. The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Eric Balka's license, without additional order from the Board of Nursing or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Jennifer Stukey and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case # 2014-001685, Sara M Carterette, Registered Nurse License# NUR R 36150, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing. The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondents license, without additional order from the Board of Nursing or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement with the amendment items B 1-3 are deleted.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Tina Gillis and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case # 2016-000742, regarding Certified Nurse Assistant Kalina Merkel, Certificate # NUA A 11739, adopts the Consent Agreement, and Decision, and Order in this matter.**

**This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing. The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondents certification, without additional order from the Board of Nursing or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Sharyl Toscano and rejected unanimously with 5 nays, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case # 2016-000407, Laura L. Spring, Alaska Registered Nurse License# NUR R 34661, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing. The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondents license, without additional order from the Board of Nursing or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette and seconded by Sharyl Toscano and carried unanimously with 5 nays, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska suspend CNA Certificate #NUA A 13416, Tonya Martin, until she comes into compliance with agreement number 2015-000122.**

Let the record reflect that the Board Chair signed the original documents.

Let the record reflect there were no Ex-Parte communications during the discussion of these orders.

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Tina Gillis, and carried unanimously with 4 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing cases and reports by the investigative team, Board staff members are to remain during session.**

The Board entered into Executive Session at 12:02 pm.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 1:24 pm.

The Board went on Break at 1:24pm.

The Board returned from Break at 1:30pm.

**On a motion duly made by Sharyl Toscano, seconded by Wendy Thon, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska is working towards the APRN consensus model. The Board supports the foundation of Nurse practitioners or Clinical Nurse Specialists holding a national certification in family, individual across a life span, adult gerontology, neo natal, pediatric, women's/health gender related or in psychiatric/mental health.**

**On a motion duly made by Sharyl Toscano, seconded by Jennifer Stukey, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED In a residential care facility a nurse may administer medication from properly labeled prescription bottle within 14 days after it has been dispensed from a licensed pharmacy. The nurse is to verify and/or obtain a physician order within 7 business days. The facility must develop policy and procedures within these guidelines.**

**On a motion duly made by Wendy Thon, seconded by Sharyl Toscano, and carried 3 ayes and 1 nay,**

**RESOLVED the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska supports the guidelines for grandfathering APRN's by endorsement.**

**For further clarification:**

**On a motion duly made by Sharyl Toscano, seconded by Wendy Thon, and carried 4 ayes and Julie Gillette abstained,**

**RESOLVED the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska supports the NCSBN guidelines for grandfathering APRN's by endorsement.**

**On a motion duly made by Jennifer Stuckey, seconded by Sharyl Toscano, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska examined the request to modify the consent agreement and proposed decision and order in case# 2010-000884 Mary Margaret Hillstrand, license number NUR R 7951, Advanced Nurse Practitioner authorization NUR U 540 and deny her request.**

Let the record reflect there were no Ex-Parte communications during the discussion of these orders.

### **Advisory Opinions**

Discussion of the Advisory Opinion Spreadsheet continued.

The Board went on Break at 2:37pm.

The Board came back from Break at 2:45pm.

**Regulations**

**On a motion duly made by Julie Gillette, seconded by Jennifer Stukey, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, it was**

**RESOLVED the Board of Nursing in the State of Alaska supports eliminating the requirements of passport photographs and eliminating notarized signatures certified correct application information to comply with the new process improvement plan (PL-PIP).**

Proposed Regulation changes to APRN, Application Process and Licensing has been set for an e-mail vote. If majority is not met for the vote proposed changes will be voted telephonically

**On a motion duly made by Tina Gillis, seconded by Wendy Thon, and carried unanimously with 5 ayes, the meeting was adjourned.**

**The Board adjourned at 3:59 pm until January 18-20th, 2017, in Anchorage, Alaska.**

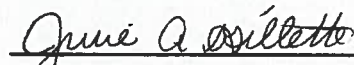
**Respectfully submitted,**



**Gail Bernth**

**Executive Administrator  
Alaska Board of Nursing**

**Approved:**



**Julie Gillette, Chair  
Alaska Board of Nursing**

**Date:** 2-13-17