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**STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
Atwood Building
550 West Seventh Ave. Suite 1535
Anchorage, AK
Alaska Board of Nursing Meeting Minutes
February 5 & 6, 2025**

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 550 W. 7th Ave., Suite 1535, Anchorage, AK.

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Danette Schloeder called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM Wednesday, February 5, 2025.

Agenda Item 1: Roll Call

Those present constituting a quorum were Board members:

- Chair RN Member: Danette Schloeder, RN, Anchorage
- APRN Member: April Erickson, APRN, RN, Wasilla
- Public Member: Michael Collins, Wasilla
- RN Member: Lena Lafferty, RN, Anchorage

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- RN Educator: Marianne Murray, RN
- Public Member: Cheryl "CJ" Payne, Wasilla

Those Absent: None. Quorum verified

LPN Seat is vacant

Staff present from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing:

- Patty Wolf, MSN, RNC-OB, Executive Administrator

Members of the Public in attendance in person or via Zoom:

1. Martha Fisher
2. Jen Twito
3. Lemay
4. Beth Farnstrom
5. Carla Patterson
6. Colleen Bridge
7. Tamera Thumma
8. Jessica Gibbons
9. Ann Binnian
10. Margaret Grasses
11. Kimberly LaForce
12. Will Hughes
13. Trisha Pavlicek
14. Bonnie Landis
15. Elizabeth Blair

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Agenda Item 2. Ethics Disclosures:

- None to report

Agenda Item 3: Board Activities

- April Erickson, CRNA- Representative Med Spa Task Force
- Danette Schloeder- Dec. NCSBN Board Meeting- report of meeting is in consent agenda
- Marianne Murray- Presented at the CNA Educators Conference, December 2024

Agenda Item 4. Consent Agenda Items:

- Review/Approve Meeting Agenda
- Letter from the NCSBN President
- Investigative and Probation reports

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approve the consent agenda.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 5: Public Comment

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- Jen Twito, Program director for CNA program from Bartlett Regional Hospital Juneau wants to bring attention to the ongoing issues with Credentia testing. States they have problems with attempting to schedule exams through Credentia and have been having only three exams per year. They have been able to secure a local proctor who can test a lower number of students, but the exam is automatically cancelled if there are less than two students registered. Experiencing struggles with online written exam (students are being “kicked out” of exam, despite reliable internet). Takes dozens of email communications with them to complete these tasks. She says she recently became aware that WA state ended services with Credentia and she would also be interested in pursuing other options for testing.
- Beth Farnstrom speaks on behalf of Alaska Nurses Association asking if licensees have been notified if they are audited. Says she is against adding an additional APRN position on the board (because it would no longer be equal), feels that a CNA position could be added instead.
- Trisha Pavlicek states this is her first meeting attending and asks if NLC will be on the agenda as she has questions surrounding compact licensure in the state of Alaska. The questions are as follows:
 - If we were to join NLC, how would the fees change and affect the ability of the AK BON to run.
 - Has questions about how disciplinary action would work if they were disciplined in another state, how they would be investigated to ensure they are safe to practice.
 - What is the process of moving forward after joining the NLC, and would other states have the ability to join our meetings and participate in decision making.
- Kimberly LaForce, RN, discusses shortage of nurses and asks how the BON will navigate the upcoming predicted shortage and what creative ways will be used to address the issue.
- Colleen Bridge, RN, would like to thank the staff for publishing the public board book. States it is very helpful to the public and appreciated.

Agenda Item 6: Medication Administration Course approval request- Division of Juvenile Justice
Presenter William Hughes, Director of Nursing, Division of Juvenile Justice

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- There are 6 medical facilities in the state, each with a nurse on Mon-Fri (daytime). Juvenile justice counselors are the parent figure for the youth and are the ones to pass medication. All staff have to pass the required medical training to pass medication
 - Ages between 11-17
 - Detention and treatment facilities: Every facility has detention, but not every detention facility has treatment.
 - Part-time & PRN employees are not able to pass medication.
- Here today to request approval of oversight changes. Added competency checks every 6 months and refresher classes in person per unit. No changes have been made to distribution policy
- Incident tracker is used to track medication error, documentation error, medical error, missed medication, etc.
- NO intervention has yet been required by Department of Health for incidents that have occurred.
 - Incident reports are reviewed by Director of Nursing, Supervisor, and Superintendent of unit. Performance improvement plans are required for the nurse at fault depending on the number of incidents that have occurred.
- Will report to Patty Wolf/the Board on how the implementation of these oversight changes goes, so that these changes may be implemented in other facilities (per board request).

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the Medication Administration course as presented by the Division of Juvenile Justice

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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Agenda Item 7: Medication Administration course process

Presenters: Patty Wolf, BON Executive Administrator, and April Erickson, DNP, CRNA

- Would like to update the documents and process for Medication Administration Court Requirements.
 - Current requirements have not been updated since 2021.
- Consider allowing computer-based testing. Discussed that other precautions can be implemented to ensure English proficiency rather than not allowing online testing.
 - Computer based Pre and Post test could be administered only in English
 - Discussed removing pre/post test templates from website, as they are currently available and can be reviewed prior to the examination.
- Discussed use of the word “Advanced” in relation to training, replacing it with something more along the lines of “training per OSHA guidelines”.
- 90% pass rate: Board members agree that this isn’t a high enough percentage for someone who is administering medications.
 - This applies to all different types of UAPs. Discussed that if they must demonstrate a 100% ability in other areas then this should be applied to medication administration as well.
- There is not a board requirement on document retention. Discussed how the board will know if these documents are not retained, and what the actions will be if they are not retained.
- Will revisit this topic when more time is available, after break.

Break: 10:16 AM

Return: 10:31 AM

Agenda Item 7: Continued

- Revisiting topic of 90% pass rate. Discussed 100% score requirement with retesting available.

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- Discussed idea of adding a minimum requirement of one question per content topic on pre/posttests.
- Discussed sending a ListServ that the medication administration course requirements have been updated.
- Motion not needed at this time, will revisit changes to regulation during regulation discussion.

Agenda Item 9: PDMP Update

Presenter Lisa Sherrell, PDMP Manager for Alaska

- The registered user account is at close to 11,000 users but shows less (8,800) in presentation due to exclusions.
- Currently sharing with 19 partner states, including military health system.
 - 5 more have requested to be added in.
 - Do not anticipate any dropping of states
- Prescribing rates are steady, largest fluctuation in the lowest three prescribed substances
- Annual survey presented
- Overall great compliance numbers
- Delegate audit will occur in March

Agenda Item 14: Strategic Plan review and Annual Report draft

- Review strategic plan every board meeting to ensure all topics are being met
- Strategic Plan is available on Division of Professional Licensing website.
- Licensing: Supported bill for NLC in 2024, initiated regulation project in November, discussed reinstatement temporary permit
 - Board Is open to suggestions that could reduce application wait times
 - Discussed providing more communication to the public on topics such as retiring a nursing license, as this renewal period revealed that most did not realize it was an option.

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- Will revisit strategic plan at later point
 - Licensing CE Hr. recordkeeping
 - The programs to assist licensee's
 - Retiring licenses as to giving up licenses upon retirement

Lunch: 11:45 AM

Return: 1:15 PM

Agenda Item 10: APRN Alliance Survey Data Presentation

Presenter Lisa Jackson

- Workforce survey was generated in 2023
 - Completed due to gaps in information
- See board book for presentation statistics on demographics, education, employment status, retirement plans, roles, business closures, reimbursement equity, and income across varying specialties.
- Experienced limitations with small sample sizes and lack of access to the APRN population.
- There is a need for improving awareness regarding the scope of APRN contributions to patient care in Alaska.
- APRN clinics have declined in number, and workforce shortages could come into play soon based on the amount of APRNs that plan on retiring in the next ten years.
- Pay equity is a growing problem (APRN's receive 85% for the same billing codes that Physicians receive 100% reimbursement)

Agenda Item 11: APRN Alliance Requests for the Board

Teresa Lyons

- Interested in adding second APRN seat on AK BON.

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- Making this request due to the significant workload for the representatives of the APRN seat of the board now.
 - Would be a statutory change
- Requesting specialty specific data (CNS, CRNA, CNP, CNM) as well as locations of practice be obtained for better understanding of where people are serving in communities
 - Cannot accurately represent roles of APRNs without this data
 - Represent those doing telehealth work for Alaska
- Lack of reliable data from government sources, Department of Labor statistics were gravely inaccurate (suggested only needing to replace 3 APRNs per year, which is not accurate to the need)
- Need accurate and consistent data for legislators AND public for trust and relationship building.
- The BON currently has an IT project in the works to be able to share APRN license information with NURSYS. The project is requiring a mapping of the roles and specialties of the APRN. We anticipate better data to be available at the end of this project.

Additional Agenda Item: APRN Certification List Addition

- Patty Wolf, Executive Administrator, brings forward approval request for Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certification through AANP.

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray, and carried out with 6 Ayes, it is RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the addition of the AANP Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certification to the list of approved national certifications on APRN application.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		

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Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 12: Regulation project updates and Discussion

Presenter: Alison Osborn and Patty Wolf MSN, RNC-OB

- LPN Scope of Practice (2024200564) will be going out to public comment soon
- Reviewed and considered public comment for proposed regulation changes

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by CJ Payne and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the proposed regulation changes to 202410222 and 2024200163 as discussed and publicly noticed.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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- Discussion amongst the board members to develop draft language for the Opened regulation project for 12 AAC 44.965 Delegation of the Administration of Medication.
- Will revisit this topic later in the meeting

BREAK: 2:44 PM

RETURN: 2:52 PM

Agenda Item 13: UAF LPN Curriculum Request

Presenter: Audrey McDaniel, Alicia Surray

- Finished first cohort December 2024 with 5 students, will graduate May 2025 (all have applied for licensure)
- Nurse Administrator resigned her position. Audrey McDaniel holds all requirements for the position and will step in as the Interim Nurse Administrator
- Will begin next cohort Fall 2025
- Would like to incorporate structure IV training to curriculum
 - Clarifying on if the intent is for AK BON to be the certifying body – it would be a certificate of completion.
 - The BON of does provide certification for education programs.
 - Discussed rationale of including IV training/certification, IV training/certification is typically completed through employer.
 - To be “certified” requires continuing education
 - Discussed verbiage of “trained on IV insertion” rather than “IV Certification”
 - Discussed that UAF LPN program is still on provisional status and cautioned to not modify or change their core scope of education or curriculum at this time.

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Agenda Item 15: Charter College Faculty Request for the board

Presenter: Cynthia D Booher PhD, RN, DNS-CT, CDP.CNRN, ELNEC, NCSN, CNE
Dean of Nursing Charter College

- Ryan Cole is seeking faculty employment at Charter College

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the education waiver request for Ryan Cole to be faculty for Charter College.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	x		

Agenda Item 16: Review/Assign Action item Assignments and due dates for Board Members

Presenter: Danette Schloeder, DNP, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS

- Looking at future board meetings, next one being 4/30/25-5/1/25
 - Suggest moving it to later in May, after 5/9/2025. Will look at this further tomorrow.

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Adjourn at 3:47 PM

Thursday, February 6, 2025

Agenda Item 17:

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Danette Schloeder called the meeting to order at 0901 Thursday, February 6, 2025.

Roll Call

Those present constituting a quorum were Board members:

- Chair RN Member: Danette Schloeder, RN, Anchorage
- APRN Member: April Erickson, APRN, RN, Wasilla
- RN Educator: Marianne Murray, RN
- Public Member: Michael Collins, Public Member, Wasilla
- RN Member: Lena Lafferty, RN, Anchorage
- Public Member: CJ Payne, Wasilla

Those Absent: None

Staff present from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing:

- Patty Wolf, MSN, RNC-OB, Executive Administrator

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- Investigations Team

Members of the Public in attendance in person or via Zoom:

1. Collen bridge
2. Martha Fisher
3. Bonnie Landis
4. Jessica Gibbons
5. Beth Farnstrom
6. Elizabeth Blair
7. Gloria Huchens
8. Stacey Kirkland

Agenda Item 18

Danette Schloeder moves that the Alaska Board of Nursing enter Executive Session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) (2), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions.

Seconded: CJ Payne

Enter Executive Session- 9:06 AM

Back in Public Session- 9:30AM

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On a motion made by Danette Schloeder and seconded by Lena Lafferty to move into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310 (c), and Alaska Constitutional Rights to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing cases and records by the investigative team. Board staff are to remain during this session. No discussion.

Enter Executive Session- 9:30 AM

Back in Public Session- 9:54AM

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Michael Collins and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Brittney Holder**, license application #153123, in pursuant to AS 08.68.331(1), 12 AAC 44.815, 12 AAC 44.825, and 12 AAC 44.895(4).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Jessica Henning**, application #NUAA13899, pursuant to AS 08.68.334 (1) and AS 08.01.075.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		

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CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lean Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Princess Salvanera**, license application #NUAA13123, pursuant to AS 08.68.334(1) and AS 08.01.075

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray, and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Brittney Mims**, license #201643, pursuant to AS 08.68.334(1) and AS 08.01.075.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the license surrender **Korri Moore**, license #192179, pursuant to AS 08.68.270(3).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

- A. On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the license reinstatement consent agreement for **Andre Samaniego**, license #NUAA14733, pursuant to AS 08.68.275 as defined in 12AAC44.880(a) and (b), 12 AAC 44660(a), and 12 AAC 44.825.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the voluntary surrender of license for **Carly Stuman**, license #191205, pursuant to AS 08.68.331 and 12 AAC 44.700.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and failed with 6 NAYS, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing denies the request for reinstatement for **Quenna Szafran**, license #NURR36008.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty		X	
Marianne Murray		X	
April Erickson		X	
Michael Collins		X	
CJ Payne		X	
Danette Schloeder		X	

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On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the immediate surrender of **Tasha Rine's** license, license #NURR26358, in concordance with the decision by board.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the early release from probation for **Sue Boma**, license #NURP6240.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the modification of consent agreement for **Viva Esquibel**, license #NURR21696, to release paragraph “U”: Limitations of Access to Controlled Drugs.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Michael Collins and seconded by CJ Payne to move into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310 (c), and Alaska Constitutional Rights to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing cases and records by the investigative team. Board staff are to remain during this session, Danette Schloeder has recused herself. No discussion.

Off the record: 10:02 AM

Public session: 10:06 AM

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray, and carried with 5 Ayes and 1 Recusal, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the alternative to probation consent agreement for Case No. 2023-001003, pursuant to AS 08.68.334(5)(b)

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		

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Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder			X

On a motion made by Michael Collins and seconded by Marianne Murray to move into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310 (c), and Alaska Constitutional Rights to Privacy Provisions. Board staff are to remain during this session, Lena Lafferty has recused herself. No discussion.

Off the record: 10:08 AM

Public Session: 10:15 AM

On a motion made by Marianne Murray, seconded by Michael Collins, and carried with 5 Ayes and 1 Recusal, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Nolan Aloe**, license #221575, pursuant to AS 08.68.340(c)

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty			X
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		

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Danette Schloeder	X		
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On a motion made by Marianne Murray, seconded by Michael Collins, and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the amended consent agreement for **Amy Neel**, license #112433, pursuant to AS 08.68.2708 and AS 08.68.340(a)(5).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty			X
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 19 PDMP Disciplinary Matrix update

Presenter: Billy Homestead/Kendra Wardlaw

- Requesting considering of new adopted language regarding disciplinary language
 - Failure to register within 30 days – Non-Disciplinary Letter of Advisement
 - 61-120 days without registering warrants \$500.00 fine
 - Fine will increase by \$500.00 every additional 60 days

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- Cases will continue to need to go through a board member to review circumstances and determine if there has been a violation of statute or regulation
 - These would be reviewed by the APRN board member unless otherwise delegated to EA
 - Discussed only sending the more complex cases to the board member, otherwise delegating them to the EA
- Alaska BON disciplinary matrix should be consistent with the other licensing board

On a motion made by Marianne Murray, seconded by Lena Lafferty and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the update to the disciplinary matrix regarding the PDMP.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Break: 10:32AM

Return: 10:52AM

Agenda Item 20: Licensing reports

RN: Madeleine Henderson, Licensing Examiner II

CNA Program updates: Kelly Olson, RN, Nursing Consultant I

- Grand Total Active Nurses: 21,295
 - Total Active RNs: 18,018

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- Total Active LPN: 655
- APRN: 2,300
- Preceptorships: 61
 - Valid for one year, with option to renew for an additional year
- Temporary permits: 375 running total
- Retired: 38
- YTD RN by Endorsement: 1382
- YTD RN by Examination: 119
- YTD LPN by Endorsement: 50
- YTD LPN by Examination: 7
- YTD APRN: 244
- All Nursing programs' NCLEX pass rate showed improvement from the previous year
 - Discussed difficulty with scheduling exam times and possibility of remote proctoring in the future
- Full reports available in the board book.

Nurse Aide Licensing and Training Program Report – Kelly Olson, RN, Nurse Consultant

- 2,523 total permanent certificates
- 34 state approved CNA programs, complete list has been updated and available on AK BON webpage
 - No new program requests
 - No onsite reviews or self-evaluations this quarter
 - Next onsite reviews to be conducted in Q4
- 6 new instructors throughout programs
 - 90+ active nurse aide instructors in AK
- Overall Quarter 2 pass rate: 78.4%
- Discussed public comment regarding concerns with Credentia

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- Encouraging test takers to reach out to Kelly Olson or Patty Wolf to assist with resolution when experiencing these difficulties with Credentia testing
- 14th Annual Nurse Aide Instructor Conference was held in December, representation from each training program attended

On a motion made by Dannette Schloeder and seconded by Michael Collins to move into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310. Board staff are to remain during this session. Will return from executive session after lunch break is completed at 1:00PM.

Off the record at 11:09 AM

Return to public/back from lunch at 1:01 PM

Agenda Item 21 Division Updates

Division Updates

Legislative Update: Glenn Saviers, Deputy Director and Sylvan Robb, Division Director

Division Update: Sunset Audit

- Audit report became public and shareable in December
- There was one finding that (directed to the department rather than the board of nursing)
 - Finding: commissioner should work to improve recruitment and retainment of investigators
- At this point, a bill will be introduced to extend the BON sunset date.
 - Recommended 6-year extension (maximum extension being 8 years) to June 30, 2031.
 - It is not the boards responsibility to find a sponsor for the sunset bill
- Report noted:
 - Timelines are improving but delays do exist
 - Board meetings are being held efficiently

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- Board issues licenses in compliance with statutes and regulations
- Investigations were not conducted in a timely manner
- Fees were sufficient

Legislative Update:

- Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)
 - There has not been a bill for Nurse Licensure Compact introduced yet.
 - Expecting a bill before the next board meeting
 - Regarding the concerns about NLC brought up during public comment:
 - Licensing fees would not be increasing
 - Other compact states have not seen an increase of cost due to joining the compact
 - There would be a decrease in workload on board of nursing staff
 - If an applicant has had discipline in another state, they do not qualify for compact licensure
 - The board has the authority to take disciplinary action against privilege to practice
 - Nothing in the compact impacts the states sovereignty
 - No state has ever left the Nurse Licensure Compact after joining
 - 43 jurisdictions and 41 states are part of the NLC currently
 - 6 of the 9 states that are not already have legislation introduced to join NLC

Of note:

- Nurses reaching out to legislators makes a difference in the passing of NLC
 - Visit akleg.gov to identify who your legislators are
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- No update on the status of recruiting for the vacant LPN seat for the board

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- Applications can be completed on the board and commissions website

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Return: 2:05PM

Agenda Item 22 Designate 1-2 Board Members to attend Legislative Session when available

- Board member vote over joining the Nurse Licensure Compact

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing moves that the Alaska Board of Nursing lends supports to enact the Nurse Licensure Compact in the state of Alaska.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

- Lena Lafferty, April Erickson, and Michael Collins nominated to represent and speak for the board regarding the Nurse License Compact

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On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing authorizes Lena Lafferty and Michael Collins to testify on behalf of the board for Nurse Licensure Compact Legislation.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 23

Working Session for current or upcoming Projects/Tasks

Continuation of discussion regarding draft verbiage for the regulation project on the delegation of medication administration. Table discussion until next meeting.

- Action item: EA will compile all information pertaining to the medication delegation regulation project to a folder accessible to the board for review prior to the next Board Meeting in May.

Discussion regarding BON meeting schedule and adjustments needed.

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On a motion made by Michael Collins and seconded by Lena Lafferty and carried with 6 Ayes that the Alaska Board of nursing move the May Board meeting to the 14th and 15th.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Michael Collins and seconded by CJ Payne and carried with 6 Ayes that the Alaska Board of nursing move the August Board meeting to the 5th and 6th.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Revisited the changes discussed at this meeting for the Medication Administration Course Process.

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Marianne Murray and carried with 6 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the Medication Administration course process updates

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Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
Marianne Murray	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
CJ Payne	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 24 For the Good of the Order

- Assign/Review action items.
- 2025 Meeting schedule: Adjusted above.

Adjourned at 3:51 pm

Respectfully submitted.

Patty Wolf MSN, RNC-OB
Executive Administrator, Alaska Board of Nursing

Approved:

Danete Schloeder

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Danette Schloeder, DNP, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS
Chair, Alaska Board of Nursing

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