

**WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR  
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES**

**January 21, 2016**

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A Board meeting was held at the office of the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses at 101 Dee Drive, Charleston, WV 25311-1620 on January 21, 2016.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT BY CONFERENCE CALL:**

TARA F. HULSEY, PhD, RN, CNE, FAAN, PRESIDENT

TERESA RITCHIE, DNP, APRN FNP-BC, SECRETARY

NANCY V. ATKINS, MSN, APRN WHNP-BC

L. ANN BOSTIC, DNP, APRN CRNA

DORIS F. BURKEY, DNP, MSN, APRN FNP-BC

JUDY NYSTROM, PUBLIC MEMBER

THERESA L. DENNISON, PUBLIC MEMBER

**BOARD STAFF PRESENT:**

LAURA S. RHODES, MSN, RN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ALICE R. FAUCETT, JD, GENERAL COUNSEL AND DIRECTOR OF DISCIPLINE

ROBIN A. LEWIS, Ed.D., MSN, RN, FNP-BC, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Tara Hulsey, Board President at 3:30 p.m.

**QUORUM**

With the required number of members being present a quorum was established.

## **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

The Board recognized the visitors present for the meeting.

### **1. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

#### **A. AGENDA**

- 1.A.** Ann Bostic made a motion to accept the agenda as revised. The second was offered by Judy Nystrom. The motion carried.

### **2. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

#### **A. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED AND ANTICIPATED LEGISLATION**

- 2.A.** The Executive Director presented information related to bills that have been introduced as well as an update on activity related to an anticipate bill regarding Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN).

The Board reviewed and considered the letter from Legislative Services regarding Board rules that are 5 years old, Contested Case Hearing and Open Meeting and Bylaws Procedural Rules. Nancy Atkins made a motion to direct Board Staff to provide updated rules for Board review at the March 2016 Board meeting. The second was offered by Teresa Ritchie. The motion carried.

#### **B. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO A BOARD LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

- 2.B.** Ann Bostic made the motion to establish a Legislative Committee. Teresa Ritchie offered the second. The motion carried. The Board President appointed Teresa Ritchie, Nancy Atkins and herself to the Legislative Committee.

### **3. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING WV§30-7-4. ORGANIZATION AND MEETINGS OF BOARD; QUORUM; POWERS AND DUTIES GENERALLY; EXECUTIVE SECRETARY; FUNDS**

3. Doris Burkey made a motion to for the Board recess and reconvene in an Executive Session for  
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purpose of consultation with legal counsel. The second was offered by Ann Bostic. The motion carried.

Tara Hulsey, Board President, announced that in accordance with Chapter 6, Section 4(2)(A), of the Code of West Virginia, Executive Sessions may be held by governmental agencies to consider matters. All motions arising from the discussion during the Executive Session shall be made and voted on in an open meeting immediately following an Executive Session.

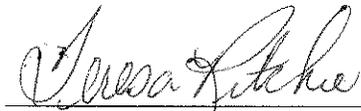
**4. PUBLIC SESSION REGARDING ANY  
DECISIONS MADE IN EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

4. A motion was made by Ann Bostic to reconvene the regular meeting to make motions related to discussion during the Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Teresa Ritchie. The motion carried.

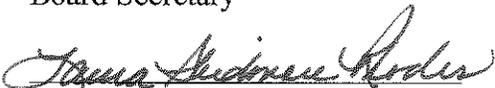
Teresa Ritchie made a motion for the Board to engage with a Search Firm to seek additional qualified candidates for the Executive Director position and to approve the related funds. The second was offered by Ann Bostic. The motion carried.

**5. ADJOURN**

5. Nancy Atkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Judy Nystrom offered the second. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.



Respectfully submitted by  
Teresa Ritchie, DNP, APRNFNP-BC  
Board Secretary



Minutes prepared by  
Laura Skidmore Rhodes  
Executive Director