

**WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR  
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES  
May 19, 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 May 19, 2016.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

NANCY V. ATKINS, MSN, APRN WHNP-BC

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

JUDY NYSTROM, PUBLIC MEMBER

THERESA L. DENNISON, PUBLIC MEMBER

**BOARD MEMBER ABSENT:**

TERESA RITCHIE, DNP, APRN FNP-BC, SECRETARY

L. ANN BOSTIC, DNP, APRN CRNA

**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 9:00 A.M.

**QUORUM**

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

**1. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**A. AGENDA**

- 1.A.** Nancy Atkins made a motion to accept the agenda as revised. Doris Burkey offered the second. The motion carried.

**2. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF APRIL 28, 2016 MEETING MINUTES**

- 2.** Nancy Atkins made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. The second was offered by Theresa Dennison. The motion carried.

**3. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF NEW RIVER COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM**

**A. NOTIFICATION OF THE RESIGNATION OF THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

- 3.A.** The Board heard from Marianne Lauer, Dean of Health and Pre-professional Programs who shared that the school has learned of budget cuts in Higher Education. The program currently has 2 faculty. With the recent departure of the Director they lost the third faculty person. The Board staff were preparing to complete the final on-site visit when they learned about the resignation of the previous Director, and therefore the visit wasn't completed.

**B. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF CONTINUED APPROVAL**

- 3.B.** Discussion ensued regarding the history of the Program's application process. Nancy Atkins made a motion to deny the program's application for approval as a new school of nursing. Doris Burkey offered the second. The motion carried. The program may reapply at a future date.

**4. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF SALEM INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**  
**A. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF THE SITE VISIT**

**1. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF FACULTY QUALIFICATIONS**

**FACULTY QUALIFICATIONS  
FOR PSYCH/MENTAL  
HEALTH AND PEDIATRICS**

- 2. REVIEW AND  
CONSIDERATION OF  
POTENTIAL CURRICULUM  
CHANGE**
- 3. REVIEW AND  
CONSIDERATION OF  
DIRECTOR ABILITY TO  
TEACH**
- 4. REVIEW AND  
CONSIDERATION OF  
FACULTY AVAILABILITY  
AND DECISION TO CEASE  
COHORT ADMISSION UNTIL  
FACULTY ARE AVAILABLE**

4. The Board's Associate Director provided an overview of the Site Visit completed May 16, 2016. The Board President provided an overview of the faculty information and the self imposed cease admissions until the program has the full complement of qualified staff. The Board President shared that a qualified pediatric faculty person has been hired, and announced that these items are for information only, and this agenda item will be placed on the Board's June meeting agenda.

**8. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF  
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

8. The Executive Director provided an overview of the activity related to the Legislatures' efforts to sweep 1 million dollars from the Board's cash balance. The Budget Office has asked for a statement about how this will affect Board operations. The document was reviewed and edited by the Board and then sent to the Budget Office. An overview of the implementation of HB4334 was provided. The Death Certificate education program should be ready for production early next week. A description of the program was provided. The Board has submitted all information to the State Police to move forward with obtaining the credentials to receive electronic criminal background checks. We are waiting for a response from the State Police. The draft of the Limited Prescriptive Authority rule was sent to stakeholders and interested parties. Two comments have been received to date. The Board reviewed the

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Attorney General's documents related to suggested Best Practices for Prescribing Opioids in West Virginia and Suggested Best Practices for Dispensing Opioids in West Virginia and found them to be in alignment with the standards expected by the Board and supports this effort.

**7. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF  
JUNE EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
DATE**

7. Doris Burkey made a motion to change the June Education Committee Meeting to June 8, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. Nancy Atkins offered the second. The motion carried.

**5. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF INTERVIEWING  
CANDIDATES FOR  
CONSIDERATION OF  
APPOINTMENT TO THE JOINT  
ADVISORY COUNCIL**

5. 10:00 A.M. Nancy Atkins made a motion for the Board to enter into Executive Session. Judy Nystrom offered the second. The motion carried. The Board went into Executive Session at 10:05 A.M.

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.

The Board recessed for Lunch

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ADVISORY COUNCIL**

3:5 P.M. Theresa Dennison made a motion to adjourn from Executive Session and return to Public Session. Judy Nystrom offered the second. The motion carried.

**6 PUBLIC SESSION FOR  
MOTIONS OR  
ACTIVITY RELATED  
TO THE EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

6. Nancy Atkins made a motion to recommend the following individuals to the Honorable Governor Earl Ray Tomblin for appointment to the Joint Advisory Council:

Mike Frame, DMP, CRNA  
Linda Bertsche, MSN, APRN-CNS  
Lavetta Hutchinson, MSN, APRN-FNP  
Toni DiChiacchio, DNP, APRN-FNP  
Sandra Cotton, DNP, APRN-ANP

As an alternate, in the event one of the above individuals is not available to participate, the Board recommends Becky Calhoun Harman, MSN, APRN-FNP.  
The second was offered by Doris Burkey. The motion carried.

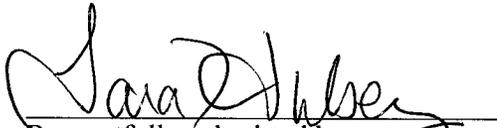
**7. REVIEW AND  
CONSIDERATION OF  
THE JUNE 9-10, 2016  
MEETING SCHEDULE**

7. Nancy Atkins made a motion that the schedule for the June 9-10, 2016 Board meeting be as follows: June 9, 2016 the Disciplinary Review Committee will meet from 8-10 and the Board meeting will begin at 10:00 A.M.; June 10, 2016 the Board meeting will be from 9AM - 12PM. The second was offered by Judy Nystrom. The motion carried.

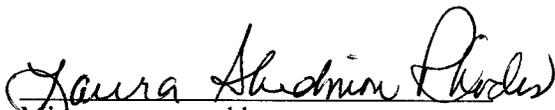
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9. ADJOURN

9. Nancy Atkins made a motion to adjourn. Judy Nystrom offered the second. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:05 P.M.



Respectfully submitted by  
Tara Hulsey, PhD, RN, CNE, FAAN  
Board President



Minutes prepared by  
Laura Skidmore Rhodes  
Executive Director

