

BOARD OF NURSING

Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”).

Date: Thursday, August 4, 2022

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
Queen Lilioukalani Conference Room
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar (use link below)
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Number: (669) 900 6833
Meeting ID: 966 4490 3901

Members Present: Carrie Oliveira, Chair
Olivia Kim, BSN, BS, RN, LPN, NHA, Vice Chair
Karen Boyer, RN, MS, FNP
Luzviminda Miguel, DNP, MSN Ed., RN
Diana Jill Riggs, RN, MSN
Amy Stone Murai, APRN
Benjamin Ramos, RN

Members Excused: Jomel Duldulao
Tammie Napoleon, DNP, APRN, PPCNP-BC

Staff Present: Chelsea Fukunaga, EO (“EO Fukunaga”)
Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer (“EO Teshima”)
Anne Shimokawa, Executive Officer
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Marc Yoshimura, Secretary

Guests: Laura Reichhardt, Hawai'i State Center for Nursing
Linda Beechinor, Hawai'i American Nurses Association
Bradley Kuo, Hawai'i Association of Professional Nurses
Rhoberta Haley
Barbara Halle
Dennis McGill
Heather
Kelly Miyasato
Kimi Miyasato
Molly Palmer
Patricia Nishimoto

Rachelle
Taysha Bitseedy
MarrettaHeck
Kimberly Soileau
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For purposes of this hybrid meeting, the Chair will take roll call of the Board members to establish quorum and for motions that require a vote of the Board members.

Virtual Meeting
Instructions:

A short video regarding virtual meetings was played for attendees.

The Chair provided information on internet and phone access for today's virtual meeting and announced that today's meeting was being recorded and that the recording will be posted on the Board's web page.

Call to Order:

The Chair took roll call of the Board members and excused Ms. Napoleon from today's meeting.

In accordance with Act 220, SLH 2021, all Board members attending virtually confirmed that they were alone in their nonpublic location.

After taking roll, quorum was established and she called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Chair's Report:

Announcements

The Chair announced that EO Teshima and EO Fukunaga will be attending the 2022 NCSBN Annual Meeting representing the Hawaii Board of Nursing as the voting delegates. EO Teshima added that both herself and EO Fukunaga will also be attending the 2022 NLC meeting to gather information.

The Chair announced the next agenda item was the Executive Officer's Report.

Approval of the Minutes of the June 2, 2022 Meeting

The Chair asked the members if they had any discussion or corrections to the minutes.

There being none, upon a motion by Ms. Stone Murai, seconded by Ms. Boyer, it was voted on with the Chair, Vice Chair, Ms. Boyer, Mr. Ramos, and Ms. Stone Murai voting "yes" and Ms. Miguel and Ms. Riggs abstaining to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2022 meeting as circulated.

The motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes of the July 7, 2022 Meeting – Additional Distribution

The Chair asked if the members if they had any discussion or corrections to the minutes.

There being none, upon a motion by Ms. Boyer, seconded by Ms. Stone Murai, it was voted on with the Chair, Vice Chair, Ms. Boyer, Mr. Ramos, and Ms. Stone Murai voting "yes" and Ms. Miguel and Ms. Riggs abstaining to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2022 meeting as circulated.

The motion carried.

Education Committee Report of the July 7, 2022 Meeting Recommendations

The Chair read the following recommendations from the July 7, 2022 Education Committee meeting, on behalf of the Education Committee Chair:

- Hawaii Nursing Programs
Phase 1 Application – Recommended Deferral for the Additional Information of the Following:
 - ✓ Arizona College of Nursing Pre-Licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program

- Faculty – Recommended Approval of the Following:
 - ✓ University of Hawaii at Manoa - Nancy Atmospera-Walch School of Nursing -
 - Barbara C Tomlinson
 - Brian Sprang
 - Bridget A Miranda
 - Charles Christian
 - Shaunan M Reyes
 - Tierra A.K. Miguel
 - Tundra Weaver
 - Elizabeth Freitas
 - Natalie Robinson
 - Kristen Shaw
 - ✓ Hawaii Community College -
 - Lisa Yamanaka

- Continuing Competency – Learning Activity Options and Exemptions
Request from Angela Adriance – Recommended denial of request

The Chair asked if the members if they had any discussion or corrections to the minutes.

There being none, upon a motion by Ms. Boyer, seconded by Ms. Stone Murai it was voted on with the Chair, Vice Chair, Ms. Boyer, Mr. Ramos, and Ms. Stone Murai voting “yes” and Ms. Miguel and Ms. Riggs abstaining to approve the Education Committee’s recommendations from their July 7, 2022 meeting.

The motion carried.

The Chair announced that the next agenda item the Board will be reviewing are applications and asked if any applicants were in attendance and if they wish to address the Board to please raise your hand. The Chair explained that should the Board have any questions, the applicant will be afforded the opportunity to address the Board.

The Chair explained that the Board will call the applicant should they have any questions.

The Chair announced that the Board will be moving into Executive Session in accordance with HRS §92-4 and §92-5(a)(1) and (4) **“To consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both;”** and **“To consult with the Board’s attorney on questions**

and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities;"

Executive Session: At 9:14 a.m., upon a motion by the Chair, seconded by Ms. Boyer, it was voted on and unanimously carried to move into executive session.

The Board resumed the meeting at 12:21 p.m. after coming out of executive session.

Applications: **Ratification Lists**

Upon a motion by the Chair, seconded by Ms. Stone Murai, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following ratification lists:

LPNs, license numbers 20418 – 20433 (15);
RNs, license numbers 107431 – 107812 (381); and
APRNs and APRNs with prescriptive authority

Applications

The Chair called for a motion in regard to the applications.

Registered Nurse

Upon a motion by the Chair, seconded by Ms. Boyer it was voted on and unanimously carried to permit the modifications of July 7, 2022 conditions for approval that were placed on the following application. Provided that he may receive an assessment from a licensed provider with demonstrated expertise and qualifications to treat substance-use disorder; who is not a friend, family member, or his clinical preceptor:

Dennis Michael McGill (including APRN application)

Upon a motion by Chair, seconded by Ms. Boyer, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following application with the condition that the applicant receives an assessment and complies with all recommendations for monitoring and treatment in accordance with that assessment related to substance-use disorder from Pu'ulu Lapa'au.

Taysha Bitseedy

Upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Boyer, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following applications:

Molly Rachel Palmer
Jake Stafford
Rachelle Jackson
Tanya Newman
Beverly Marretta-Heck
Judith Lewis
George Peddy

Upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by the Chair, it was voted on with the Chair, Vice Chair, Ms. Boyer, Ms. Miguel, Mr. Ramos, and Ms. Riggs voting "yes" and Ms. Stone Murai voting "no" to deny the following application pursuant to HRS §457-12(a)(3); (6); (8) and HAR §16-89-60(6)(a); (b); (c); and (d).

Kelly Miyasato

The motion carried.

Upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded Ms. Stone Murai, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following application:

Michelle Hayashi

Request to Remove Conditions – Additional Distribution

Upon a motion by the Chair, seconded by Ms. Boyer, it was voted on and unanimously carried to remove the monitoring/reporting requirements for the following application:

Kimberly N. Solieau

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The Chair announced the next agenda item as Chapter 91, HRS, Adjudicatory Matters.

Chapter 91, HRS –
Adjudicatory Matters:

At 12:22 p.m. the Chair called for a recess of the meeting to discuss and deliberate on the following adjudicatory matters.

The Chair asked if there was any discussion by the Board members on the following adjudicatory matters.

Seeing none, upon a motion by the Chair, seconded by Ms. Boyer, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following adjudicatory matter:

In the Matter of the License to Practice Nursing of **Richettia E. Walker; RNS 2021-292-L**; Settlement Agreement After Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order;

Upon a motion by the Vice Chair, seconded by Ms. Riggs, it was voted on and unanimously carried to deny the Request for Modification of Suspension Period for insufficient evidence of rehabilitation for the following adjudicatory matter:

In the Matter of the License to Practice Nursing of **April A. Beatty; RNS 2020-3-L**, Request for Modification of the Suspension Period

Following the Board's review, deliberation, and decision, in these matters, pursuant to Chapter 91, HRS, the Chair announced that the Board was reconvening its scheduled meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Executive Officer's
Report:

The Nurse Practitioner Journal – Request for Updates

EO Fukunaga reported that the Nurse Practitioner Journal is creating its 35th Legislative Update for 2023 and is currently seeking feedback. Please notify the Board's staff if you would like more information.

Article, "Hospitals Seek State Emergency Order" – Additional Distribution

EO Fukunaga reported that Hawaii hospitals are seeking an emergency order to suspend licensure to alleviate the shortage in healthcare workers.

Article, “Elected Officials, Health Care Companies Seek Solutions to Nurse Shortage – 2022 NSI National Health Care Retention and RN Staffing Report

EO Fukunaga reported that the shortage of nurses is not just specific to Hawaii; there is currently a nationwide shortage of nurses. The article explores other States solutions to solve the nursing shortage.

Article, “Despite Mounting Hardships at Hospitals, Hawaii Nursing Programs See Rise in Interest” – Additional Distribution

EO Fukunaga reported that despite the shortage of nurses, there is a rise in interest in enrollment in local nursing programs. The article highlights the balance Hawaii Nursing Programs must navigate in order to meet the demand for enrollment while dealing with faculty shortages.

Op-Ed, “Health Worker Shortage Preventable”

EO Fukunaga explained that this article shed a different light on the causes of the current health worker shortage from the perspective of the President of the Hawaii Nurses’ Association.

Reports:

Hawai’i State Center for Nursing – Laura Reichhardt, Executive Director

Ms. Reichhardt reported on the following:

- Ms. Reichhardt thanked the Board for all of their hard work.
- The Education Capacity report for Academic Year 2020-2021 was released https://www.hawaiicenterfornursing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/2020-2021-Hawaii-Nurse-Education-Capacity-Statewide-Report-v.Final_.pdf
- For the first time, HSCN asked questions from the NCSBN Guidelines for Pre-Licensure Program approval
- In addition to the known challenges in engaging in nursing education, the NCSBN guideline findings helped us see that finding nurses with MQs in education as well as access to continuing professional development for nursing faculty are challenges for most schools
- In Academic Year 2020-2021, BSN programs offered admission to MANY more qualified applicants before they were able to fill a cohort than in prior years. There are a lot of options as to why this may have happened but we don't have data to indicate any one cause.
- Faculty (Difficulty filling full-time faculty positions, Lack of funding for new faculty lines or raises) and Clinical Capacity (Insufficient number of preceptors for clinical training experiences, Insufficient number of clinical training sites) are the major barriers to nursing education today.
- As a result of the challenges, 75% of schools responded that they reduced admission cohort sizes.

Nursing Professional Development

- We are working to develop a 3 webinar series on nursing wellbeing, from the researcher, nurse, and employer perspectives. We will launch it in September. We are also jointly providing 2 additional activities in September, the Health Workforce Summit and Suicide Prevention 101. All activities in September are

free! Events are marketed on our website under the Continuing Competency page.

- We are also co-hosting a virtual EBP workshop for nurse educators in November. The save the date is on our website and the event dates are Nov 16-17. We are working through registration details and will post registration soon.
- We re-launched our Success Pays program which provides nurses interested in pursuing initial certification through ANCC. To date we have 42 nurses interested, with 11 starting the process with ANCC to take the exam, and 1 nurse newly certified by ANCC!
- At this time these programs are being supported by every team member at HSCN, who keep the machine oiled, maintained, and ready to run!

Recruitment and Retention

- The Nurse Residency Program continues to thrive. We are currently finishing the work on an Opioid grant through the DOH ADAD. From June 2021 to June 2022, we supported 255 nurses trained as preceptors, 374 new graduate nurses who were entered into residency programs, expanded to all counties, and increased partnership to 13 facilities across the state.
- The clinical placement coordination for Oahu and Kauai continues to thrive. Partners are committed to engaging and innovating clinical placement strategies for nurses. We are also actively working to expand support to neighbor islands and additional settings.
- Bri Kuwabara is the lead for these programs and excels in her community engagement and project management.

Hawai'i Association of Professional Nurses – Bradley Kuo, Legislative Coordinator

Mr. Kuo reported on the following:

- Active with the Hawaii Island Physician Workforce Taskforce. Inclusive to APRNs. Doing statewide research in healthcare workforce
- The CMS or Medicare reimbursement is decreasing, impacting the APRNs. Further decline is impactful on all businesses
- Beginning work on the next legislative session
- Educating new legislators on APRN policy and practice.

Hawai'i American Nurses Association – Linda Beechinor, Executive Director and Vice President

Ms. Beechinor reported on the following:

- On October 22, 2022, a statewide hybrid conference at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in the Kona Room will be held. The theme will be "Together We Can." HANA is reaching out to all nursing organizations in the State and to all licensed nurses through newsletter to encourage attendance. There will be both national and local guest speakers, the offering of CEs, and stakeholder sponsors.
- Small award luncheon of mentorship program for people who have finished the program.
- The conference will support the RNs delivery of care and health equity for vulnerable patient populations by enabling every nurse to participate in health care policy making and the legislative process.
- Promoting mentorship program. Experienced nurses meet once a month with senior students and new graduates.

- Currently working with student nurses committees to reach out to all pre-licensure programs in the State to highlight the policy and leadership opportunities as an ANA subscriber.
- Promoting Policy Book that came out from a past president of ANA will be offered to post-licensure students when they join as members.

The Chair asked if any of the Board members had questions.

There were none.

There being no further agenda items, the Chair announced the next meeting.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, September 1, 2022

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual: Zoom Webinar

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

Taken by:

Reviewed and Approved by:

/s/ Chelsea Fukunaga
Chelsea Fukunaga
Executive Officer

/s/ Marc Yoshimura
Marc Yoshimura
Secretary

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[X] Minutes approved as is.

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