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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 14-15, 2021

9:00 a.m.

This electronic meeting of the Iowa Board of Nursing was held in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.8. The Code states that a governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only if circumstances are such that a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and access is provided to the public. An in-person meeting of the Board to handle this limited agenda was impractical due to ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency. This electronic meeting originated in the conference room of the Iowa Board of Nursing office, 400 SW 8th Street, Suite B, Des Moines, IA, and public access to the meeting was provided at this location. The agenda was posted on the Board's Website and sent electronically to those individuals subscribing to GovDelivery.

Board in Attendance

Mark Odden, CRNA, ARNP, Chairperson
Nancy Kramer, EdD, RN
Stephanie Carr, MSN, RN
Amy Beltz, LPN
Gordon Goettsch, DDS
Amber Mahrt, RN, MSN

Staff

Kathy Weinberg, RN, Executive Director
Laura Hudson, RN, Associate Director CE/Workforce
Jimmy Reyes, RN, Associate Director Education/Practice
Maggie Schwarck, RN, Associate Director Licensure
Doug Bartels, Associate Director Enforcement
Bill Hansen, Enforcement
Eric Holsapple, Enforcement
Lucas Bee, Enforcement
Kathleen Beebout, RN, Enforcement
Diane Burkert, RN, Enforcement
Taunya Cunningham, RN, Enforcement
Anne Ryan, RN, Enforcement
Laci Olson, Enforcement
Rhonda Ruby, RN, INAP Coordinator

Michele Royer, INAP Case Manager
Tessa Register, Assistant Attorney General
Benjamin Flickinger, Assistant Attorney General
Alan Nagel, Assistant Attorney General
Tracey Westby, Enforcement Secretary
Karly Stamper, Secretary
David Brunk, Clerk Specialist
Margaret Armagost, Administrative Assistant

Audience:

Theresa Smith, Mercy College of Health Sciences
Joan McCleish, Mercy College of Health Sciences
Jackie Barber, Morningside College
Tara Nichols, Waldorf University
Kimberly Brown, William Penn University
Anna Weepie, Allen College
Anita Steinman, University of Iowa College of Nursing
Teri Peterson, Western Iowa Tech Community College

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9:03 a.m. Mark Odden called the meeting to order.

On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board voted to adopt the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Amy Beltz, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board voted to adopt the open minutes from the June 9, 2021, Conference Call.

On a motion by Stephanie Carr, seconded by Amber Mahrt, the Board voted to adopt the closed minutes from the June 9, 2021, Conference Call.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

On a motion by Amy Beltz, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board moved to adopt ARC 5615C, Chapter 2, Nursing Education Programs.

On a motion by Stephanie Carr, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board moved to adopt ARC 5616C, Chapter 15, Waiver Rules.

On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board moved rescind rule 655-3.11(152) "Emergency License".

MILITARY SERVICE EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE APPLICATION

On a motion by Nancy Kramer, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board voted to deny the military service education/experience application for Isabella DeGrasse.

EDUCATION

Nancy Kramer gave a verbal Committee Report.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Amber Mahrt, the Board approved the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Progress Report, submitted by Dordt University, Sioux Center.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Amber Mahrt, the Board approved the RN to BSN Program Closure Report, submitted by Dordt University, Sioux Center.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board approved the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Progress Report submitted by Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board approved the Paramedic to BSN Program Progress Report submitted by Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Amber Mahrt, the Board approved the Master of Science in Nursing: Organizational and Systems Leadership Program Progress Report, submitted by Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board approved the RN to BSN Program Curriculum Modifications, submitted by Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board approved the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program Progress Report, submitted by Morningside College, Sioux City.

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board approved the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program Progress Report, submitted by Mount Mercy University, Cedar Rapids.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board approved the RN to BSN Program Progress Report, submitted by Waldorf University, Forest City.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board approved the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Progress Report, submitted by William Penn University, Oskaloosa.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board approved the Nursing Curriculum Modifications submitted by Allen College, Waterloo.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board approved the Nursing Curriculum Modifications submitted by Grand View University, Des Moines.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board approved the Nursing Curriculum Modifications submitted by Graceland University, Lamoni.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board approved the Nursing Curriculum Modifications submitted by St. Ambrose University, Davenport.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board approved the Nursing Program Modifications submitted by the University of Iowa College of Nursing, Iowa City.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board tabled the Nursing Curriculum Modifications submitted by Western Iowa Tech Community College, Sioux City.

Informational Items:

Administrative leadership changes, submitted by Clarke University, Dubuque.

Administrative leadership changes, submitted by Luther College, Decorah.

Academic institution name change, submitted by Morningside University, Sioux Center.

Administrative leadership changes, submitted by Coe College, Cedar Rapids.

Administrative leadership changes, submitted by Eastern Iowa Community College, Davenport.

Administrative leadership changes, submitted by Grandview University, Des Moines.

Administrative leadership changes, submitted by Northeast Iowa Community College, Peosta.

Nancy Kramer provided the NCLEX RN and PN statistics for Iowa nursing programs for Quarter 2 2021. The statistics can be found on the Iowa Board of Nursing website.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Amy Beltz provided a verbal committee report.

PROVIDER REPORT

New Providers:

None

Renewed Providers:

- 18 Iowa Valley Community College Continuing Education, Marshalltown
- 144 Floyd Valley Healthcare, LeMars
- 307 Medical Associates Clinic, P.C., Dubuque
- 363 Cedar Valley Hospice, Waterloo

Voluntary Relinquishment(s):

- 2 Marshalltown Medical Center, Marshalltown
- 207 Fort Madison Community Hospital, Fort Madison
- 373 Creighton University Continuing Education, Omaha, Nebraska
- 374 ERBE-USA, Inc., Marietta, Georgia
- 380 EPICC Vascular Iowa, Boone

REQUEST TO RECOGNIZE A TRAINING PROGRAM THAT WAS NOT AWARDED CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

On a motion by Amy Beltz, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board approved the request submitted by licensee Steve Carter to recognize his attendance at the “Train the Trainer: Hospital Haz Mat First Receiver” program offered by Occupational Safety Solutions, LLC at Mary Greeley Medical Center in Ames, Iowa, on April 19 and 22, 2021, as 12.0 contact hours of nursing continuing education.

On a motion by Amy Beltz, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board approved the request submitted by licensee Stephanie Mahaney to recognize her attendance at the “EMT/Paramedic Refresher Course 2021” offered by Iowa Western Community College from February 1 through February 25, 2021, held at the Sidney Fire Department, Sidney, Iowa, as 32.0 contact hours of nursing continuing education.

REQUEST TO RECOGNIZE ONLINE COURSEWORK FOR NURSING CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

On a motion by Amy Beltz, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board approved the request submitted by licensee Jennifer Krapfl to recognize her documented attendance and coursework through the virtual meeting of the American Society for Metabolic & Bariatric Surgery from June 10-12, 2021, as 14.5 contact hours of nursing continuing education.

WORKFORCE

Associate Director Laura Hudson provided an update regarding Workforce advising that the Iowa Center for Nursing Workforce is focusing on strategic planning for the 2021-2022

timeframe. The committee will use the recommendations from the National Academy of Medicines report titled “Future of Nursing 2020-2030: Charting a Path to Achieve Health Equity.” Iowa’s Center will come alongside the goals established in the study and in conjunction with the Iowa Action Coalition to include in the Center’s strategic plan.

Ms. Hudson participated in the Iowa Rural Healthcare Workforce Task Force meetings in 2021 representing the Center and the nursing profession. The task force was a collaborative effort with the Iowa Department of Public Health, Iowa Hospital Association, Iowa Medical Society, Iowa Pharmacy Association and the Iowa Primary Care Association to establish a strategic plan for the state to focus on the overall healthcare workforce issues in Iowa.

Ms. Hudson also reported on her activities in the National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers’ recent publications and their finance committee.

Recess at 10:07 AM

Reconvene at 10:15 AM

INAP

Rhonda Ruby reported for the INAP program. Rhonda reported that a written INAP report was submitted to Board members with the Board materials that included information on program updates and program case statistics. Rhonda explained INAP cases have increased since the April 2021 report. From April-May 2021, INAP admitted 12 new cases which is a 6% increase in two months. The Board was also informed that second term Committee member, Misstie Day resigned 05/17/2021. INAP will need to fill the vacancy. A request was placed in the nursing newsletter for a replacement Committee member. Once a new Committee member is selected they will need to be approved by the Board.

Rhonda reported to the Board on program statistics including active case status, the number of combinations and single case diagnosis, the case types and case type summary. Written information on case statistics were provided to Board members.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Weinberg gave the following report to the Board members:

The Board of Nursing July 2021 Financial Report was presented by Margaret Armagost and David Brunk.

Director Weinberg reviewed the July Board of Nursing Update which was sent to Board members. This is an overview of rules currently in the rule making process, Board of Nursing advisory committees and other work being completed by the board staff. Board members did not have any questions.

The Governor’s Proclamation of Disaster Emergency was extended until July 25, 2021, which includes professional licensing relief. The Board of Nursing maintains a COVID section on the website which is updated to reflect the extension of the Proclamation and all licensing changes due to the pandemic.

Ms. Weinberg advised that the latest extension of the Proclamation of Disaster Emergency did not include three licensing relief measures. This means that Emergency Licenses will no longer be issued, background checks are now required for Exam applicants and Endorsement applicants, and the waiting period to take the NCLEX is again 90 days. It is expected that additional licensing relief measures will not be extended after the current Proclamation ends on July 25, 2021.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

ENFORCEMENT

Closed Session

At 10:50 a.m., on a motion made by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(d), to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of chapter 17A; and pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(h), to discuss specific law enforcement matters, such as allowable tolerances or criteria for the selection, prosecution, or settlement of cases, which if disclosed would facilitate disregard of requirements imposed by law.

Open Session

At 11:55 a.m., on a motion made by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board returned to open session.

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board voted to approve the Endorsement Application by Consent Order for the following case:

21-198 Felicia Velazquez

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board voted to approve the Examination Application for the following case:

21-230 Ciera Hall

On the motion of Stephanie Carr, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board voted to approve the Voluntary Surrender of License for the following case:

21-246 Richard Wright

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted to approve the Notices of Hearing and Statement of Charges in the following cases:

19-187 Heather Spidle

19-227 Patricia Petrak

20-130 Michael Schleicher (Stephanie Carr recused)
20-215 Brenda Huseman
20-265 James Dickerson
20-315 Serena Jaime
20-358 Neva Summerfield
20-377 Melissa McSparen
20-396 Sheila Young
20-437 Meg Ehlers
21-109 Jennifer Mayberry
21-142 Angela Jennings
21-204 Jenna West
21-228 Cara Klosterman
21-233 Jennifer Baeley

On the motion of Nancy Kramer, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted to approve the Combined Statements of Charges, Settlement Agreements, and Final Orders for the following cases:

20-217 Winona Powell
20-219 Jerilyn Smith
20-314 Kaitlyn Vaudt
20-388 Pamela Housh
20-443 Nicole Betz
20-486 Bethany Abujobarah
21-013 Jennifer Rysdam
21-029 Erica Williams
21-042 Mary Ann Kapacinskas
21-105 Brittany Russell
21-119 Candice Johnson

On a motion by Amy Beltz, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board voted to approve the Settlement Agreement and Final Orders for the following cases:

20-184 Ashley-DeJong
20-208 Farrellin Rubaba
20-291 Jennifer Penisten
20-482 Keri Lais
20-487 Christina Larson
20-504 Romeo Tadije
20-506 Jami Sprung

On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted to approve the Confidential Order for Evaluation on the following cases:

20-292
20-499
21-056

On the motion of Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board voted to close the Complaints and Investigative Reports Case Direction for the following case:

21-001

On the motion of Amy Beltz, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board voted to close the Complaints and Investigative Reports Screening for the following cases:

21-244

21-245

Recess at 12:03 PM

Reconvene at 1:00 PM

Closed Session

At 1:03 p.m., on a motion made by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(d), to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of chapter 17A; and pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(h), to discuss specific law enforcement matters, such as allowable tolerances or criteria for the selection, prosecution, or settlement of cases, which if disclosed would facilitate disregard of requirements imposed by law.

Open Session

At 1:18 p.m., on a motion made by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board returned to open session.

On a motion made by Amy Beltz, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board voted to approve the Settlement Agreement and Final Order for the following case:

20-381 Janelle Haselby

On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz the Board voted to close the following cases:

20-168	20-501	21-141
20-365	21-026	21-143
20-389	21-055	21-144
20-390	21-077	21-167
20-399	21-097	21-183
20-400	21-104	21-246
20-472	21-128	
20-489	21-140	

Closed Session

At 1:21 p.m., on a motion made by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(d), to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of chapter 17A; and pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(h), to discuss specific law enforcement matters, such as allowable tolerances or criteria for the selection, prosecution, or settlement of cases, which if disclosed would facilitate disregard of requirements imposed by law.

Open Session

At 1:24 p.m., on a motion made by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board returned to open session.

On the motion by Nancy Kramer, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, with Stephanie Carr and Amber Mahrt abstaining, the Board voted to approve the Finding of Facts, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order for the following case:

20-456 Angela Mayne

Recess at 1:27 PM

Reconvene at 2:00 PM

Stephanie Carr left the meeting for the remainder of 07/14/21.

Hearing Case 20-346 Joshua Spiewak

2:06 p.m. Kristine Dreckman, Administrative Law Judge, Department of Inspections and Appeals opened the record.

Joshua Spiewak was not present.

Assistant Attorney General Ben Flickinger represented the State in this matter.

The hearing was open.

Exhibits 1-10 were admitted into evidence on behalf of the State.

Witness for the State: Taunya Cunningham, Investigator

Witness for the Respondent: None

2:20 p.m. The record was closed.

Closed Session

2:21 p.m. On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into Closed Session in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5(1)“f” to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case.

Open Session

2:32 p.m. On the motion of Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board returned to open session.

2:32 p.m. On a motion by Nancy Kramer, seconded by Gordon Goettsch, the Board voted to direct Administrative Law Judge Kristine Dreckman, to draft a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order consistent with the Board’s deliberations for case 20-346 Joshua Spiewak.

Recess until July 15, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

July 15, 2021

8:00 a.m. reconvene in open session.

Hearing Case 20-452 Katie Bird

8:11 a.m. Katie O’Neill, Administrative Law Judge, Department of Inspections and Appeals opened the record.

Katie Bird was present.

Assistant Attorney General Ben Flickinger represented the State in this matter.

The hearing was closed.

8:45 a.m. The record was closed.

Closed Session

8:46 a.m. On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into Closed Session in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5(1)“f” to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case.

Open Session

8:51 a.m. On the motion of Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board returned to open session.

8:51 a.m. On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board voted to direct Administrative Law Judge Katie O'Neill, to draft a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order consistent with the Board's deliberations for case 20-452 Katie Bird.

Hearing Case 20-301 Margie Stone

9:10 a.m. Katie O'Neill, Administrative Law Judge, Department of Inspections and Appeals opened the record.

Margie Stone was present.

Assistant Attorney General Ben Flickinger represented the State in this matter.

Trent Nelson represented Margie Stone in this matter.

The hearing was closed.

10:51 a.m. The record was closed.

Closed Session

10:53 a.m. On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into Closed Session in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5(1)"f" to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case.

Open Session

11:00 a.m. On the motion of Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board returned to open session.

11:00 a.m. On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Stephanie Carr, the Board voted to direct Administrative Law Judge Katie O'Neill, to draft a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order consistent with the Board's deliberations for case 20-301 Margie Stone.

Recess at 11:00 a.m.

Reconvene at 11:05 a.m.

Hearing Case 20-348 Jennifer Shoars

11:19 p.m. Katie O'Neill, Administrative Law Judge, Department of Inspections and Appeals opened the record.

Jennifer Shoars was present.

Assistant Attorney General Ben Flickinger represented the State in this matter.

The hearing was closed.

11:50 a.m. The record was closed.

Closed Session

11:53 a.m. On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into Closed Session in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5(1)“f” to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case.

Open Session

12:00 p.m. On the motion of Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Nancy Kramer, the Board returned to open session.

12:00 p.m. On a motion by Gordon Goettsch, seconded by Amy Beltz, the Board voted to direct Administrative Law Judge Katie O’Neill, to draft a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order consistent with the Board’s deliberations for case 20-348 Jennifer Shoars.

12:01 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.