

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

June 28, 2013

A Emergency Board meeting was held at the office of the Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses at 101 Dee Drive, Suite 102, Charleston, WV 25311-1620, on June 28, 2013.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ROBIN WALTON, MSN, RN, Ed.D., FNP-BC, PRESIDENT

JUDY NYSTROM, SECRETARY

JOYCE EGNOR, MSN, RN

MARY FRIEL FANNING, DNP, RN

TERESA RITCHIE, MSN, RN, FNP, DNP
(by telephone)

L. ANN BOSTIC, RN, CRNA

DR. MARY (LIBBY) FARMER, PUBLIC MEMBER

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

LAURA S. RHODES, MSN, RN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ALICE R. FAUCETT-CARTER, JD, GENERAL COUNSEL & DIRECTOR OF DISCIPLINE

MARGARET "MARTY" ALSTON, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

JUNE 28, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

The emergency meeting was called to order by Robin Walton, Board President at 1:00 p.m..

QUORUM

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

1. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Joyce Egnor to accept the proposed agenda as written. The second was offered by Dr. Libby Farmer. The motion carried.

2. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF SALEM INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

2. The Board recognized representatives from Steptoe and Johnson who had indicated their desire to address the Board regarding issues related to Salem International University (Salem). The Board's General Counsel & Director of Discipline presented a brief overview of the events surrounding issues related to Salem International University. Several other representatives from Salem were in attendance for the discussion along with the representatives from Steptoe and Johnson. Salem requested the Board reconsider its decision made at the July 12, 2013 Board Meeting to withdraw approval of Salem International University School of Nursing as of August 31, 2013. A discussion ensued.

BREAK

2:00PM -2:25PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Robin Walton, 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.

A motion was made by Joyce Egnor that the Board recess and reconvene in an Executive Session to confer with Legal Counsel regarding Salem International University. The second was offered by Ann Bostic. The motion carried.

PUBLIC SESSION

A motion was made by Teresa Ritchie to reconvene the regular meeting to make motions related to

discussion during the Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mary Fanning. The motion carried.

The discussion continued related to Salem. Teresa Ritchie made a motion to rescind the decision made by the Board in session on June 12, 2013 to withdraw approval of Salem International University School of Nursing as of August 31, 2013, and to reinstate the program to a provisional approval, and reinstate the requirements in the letter dated February 25, 2013 including a clarification regarding ceasing admission and progression as follows items outlined in that letter:

- #1. Cease admission into the nursing program and university leading to a nursing degree;
- #2. Cease progression into nursing core courses or nursing courses of those cohorts admitted prior to February 25, 2013 and have not progressed into NURS courses or Nursing core courses;
- #3. Cease progression of students who began NUR115 in April 2013;
- #4. Permit progression of all other cohorts currently taking NURS courses; and,
- #5. Provide the Board with a copy of the letters sent to the students notifying them of this decision.

The second was offered by Dr. Libby Farmer. Motion carried.

3. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON (UC)

3. The Board reviewed and considered information provided by Dr. Debra Mullins, Director of the UC Nursing Programs - both BSN and ADN, related to the recent decision to decrease administrative support to the nursing program to 25% of an FTE. Joyce Egnor made a motion to direct Board Staff to draft a letter expressing the Board's concern regarding inadequate secretarial support staff for both programs that has been an issue addressed with UC for several years. Pursuant to WV CSR Title 19, Series 1, Policies and Criteria for the Evaluation and Accreditation of Colleges, Departments or Schools of Nursing 19-1-10.1.b.2 " Secretarial and other support services shall be sufficient to accomplish the goals and expected outcomes of all nursing programs within the nursing education unit." And that based upon the Board's previous concerns and those voiced by Dr. Mullins., the Board finds that .25 FTE for secretarial support services is insufficient and in violation of the aforementioned rule. Also that the University of Charleston should immediately provide to the Board the plan to provide adequate support to the nursing department. The second was offered by Ann Bostic. Motion carried.

**4. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF
DAVIS AND ELKINS COLLEGE
ENROLLMENT REQUEST**

4. The Board reviewed information regarding from Davis and Elkins College related to a request for an increase in enrollment by greater than percent (10%). Carol Cochran was present for the discussion. A discussion ensued. As a result of the discussion the request was withdrawn.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

5. There was no information presented under this agenda item.

6. ADJOURN

6. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Dr. Libby Farmer. The second was offered by Judy Nystrom. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.



Minutes taken and prepared by
Margaret "Marty" Alston
Executive Assistant



Respectfully submitted by
Mary Fanning, DNP, RN
Board Secretary