

**WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF
REGISTERED NURSES
APRIL 07, 2023**

**A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING WAS HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE WEST VIRGINIA
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSES AT 5001 MACCORKLE AVENUE, SOUTH
CHARLESTON WV 25309, ON APRIL 07, 2023.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

TARA HULSEY, PHD, RN, CNE, FAAN, PRESIDENT

TERESA RITCHIE, DNP, APRN FNP-BC

WANDA MARKS, RN

CATHY CHILDERS, DT

CHAD T. CALLEN

JASON VANHOOSE, RN

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

LESLIE D. PERINE, RN

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

DR. SUE PAINTER, DNP, RN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MARGARET "MARTY" ALSTON, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

MICHAEL D. PAYNE, Esq. GENERAL COUNSEL

BOARD STAFF ABSENT:

**ROBIN A. LEWIS, ED D, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC, DIRECTOR OF PRACTICE AND
EDUCATION**

LESLIE JORDAN, DIRECTOR OF DISCIPLINE

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Tara Hulsey, Board President, at 10:00 A.m.

2. QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

The Board reviewed the proposed agenda. A motion was made by Chad Callen to approve the agenda. Jason Vanhooose offered the second. No abstentions. No opposition. The motion carried.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF A FINAL ORDER

Teresa Ritchie made a motion for the Board to convene in Executive Session. Cathy Childers offered the second. The motion carried. The Board entered Executive Session.

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.

5. PUBLIC SESSION FOR MOTIONS RELATED TO MATTERS DISCUSSED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jason Vanhooose made a motion for the Board to adjourn the Executive Session and resume the meeting in Public Session. Chad Callen seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Board reentered Public Session.

A. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF A FINAL ORDER FOR LICENSE NUMBER 106349

Wanda Marks made a motion that the Board adopt the findings of fact, conclusions of Law and recommendations of the Hearing Examiner with the following modifications regarding license number 83533, issued to S. Dingess:

On the basis of the foregoing, the West Virginia Board of Registered Nurses (Board) hereby suspends the license number 83533 issued to Dingess, for a minimum of one (1) year effective April 7, 2023. The Board further modifies the Hearing Examiner's recommendation as set out herein. The Board ORDERS Dingess to submit to a psychiatric mental health evaluation and substance abuse evaluation by a Board approved evaluator. DINGESS shall request that a

complete copy of her Board file, which includes this Final Order, be sent to the evaluator performing Dingess' evaluation before her evaluation. Once Dingess has received an evaluation and has been deemed safe to practice. Dingess shall complete a Reinstatement Application (Application) and submit the Application, along with a copy of her evaluation to the Board for review. Dingess shall cause all documents relative to her criminal history to be sent directly to the Board office from the Court(s) containing such documents. Dingess shall contact the Board and schedule an appointment to appear before the Disciplinary Review Committee (DRC) after she has provided the above information. The Board must receive the aforementioned documents at least thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled DRC meeting. Following Dingess' appearance, the DRC shall render a decision regarding her Reinstatement Application.

Violation of any of the above shall constitute grounds for denial of Dingess' license.

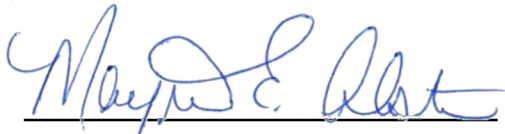
Teresa Ritchie offered the second. The motion carried.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

The Executive Director informed the Board that she was sending out a Doodle Poll for dates to reschedule the October 2023 Board meeting.

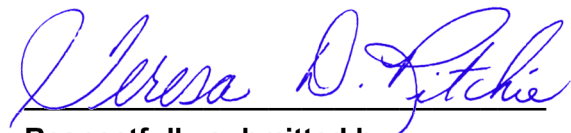
7. ADJOURN

With no further business before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jason Vanhooose. The motion was seconded by Wanda Marks. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



Minutes taken and prepared by

Margaret "Marty" Alston, Executive Director



Respectfully submitted by

Teresa Ritchie, DNP, APRN FNP-BC

Board Secretary