

**WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES
JUNE 10, 2021**

**A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING WAS HELD VIA WEB-EX AND PUBLIC CALL-IN AT THE OFFICE OF
THE WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES AT 5001
MACCORKLE AVENUE, SW, SOUTH CHARLESTON WV 25309, ON JUNE 10, 2021.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

TERESA RITCHIE, DNP, APRN FNP-BC,

NANCY V. ATKINS, MSN, APRN, WHNP-BC

DORIS BURKEY, DNP, APRN FNP-BC

JOHN MARTIN, PUBLIC MEMBER

THERESA L. DENNISON, PUBLIC MEMBER

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

L. ANN BOSTIC, DNP, MSN APRN FNP-BC

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

DR. SUE PAINTER, DNP, RN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MARGARET "MARTY" ALSTON, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 2:45 pm.

2. Quorum

A quorum was established.

3. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

The Board reviewed the agenda. Teresa Ritchie made a motion to accept the agenda with the addition of Ms. Johnson. The second was offered by Theresa Dennison. The motion carried.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OR HEARING EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Nancy Atkins made a motion for the Board to enter Executive Session. Theresa Dennison offered the second. The motion carried. The Board went into Executive Session.

Tara Hulse, 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 REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF HEARING TRANSCRIPT AND HEARING EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

5. Nancy Atkins made a motion for the Board to end the Executive Session and return to Public Session. Theresa Dennison offered the second. The motion passed and the Board reentered Public Session.

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

a. D. GISCHRIST #81057

Teresa Ritchie made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Hearing Examiner and that the Board hereby indefinitely suspend the license number 81057, issued to Gilchrist. The Board further modifies the Hearing Examiner's recommendation as set out herein. The Board ORDERS Gilchrist to submit to a psychiatric mental health evaluation and substance abuse evaluation by a Board approved evaluator. Gilchrist shall request that a complete copy of his Board file, which includes this Final Order, be sent to the evaluator performing Gilchrist's evaluation before his evaluation. Once Gilchrist has received an evaluation and has been deemed safe to practice. Gilchrist shall complete a Reinstatement Application (Application) and submit the Application, along with a copy of his evaluation to the Board's Disciplinary Review Committee (DRC) for review. Gilchrist shall contact the Board and schedule an appointment to appear before the DRC after he has provided the above information. Following Gilchrist's appearance, the DRC shall render a decision regarding his reinstatement application. Violation of any of the above shall constitute ground for denial of Gilchrist's license. The second was offered by Nancy Atkins. The motion carried.

b. T. FORTUNE #66379

Teresa Ritchie made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Hearing Examiner and that the Board hereby indefinitely suspend the license number 66379, issued to Fortune. The Board further modifies the Hearing Examiner's recommendation as set out herein. The Board ORDERS Fortune to submit to a psychiatric mental health evaluation and substance abuse evaluation by a Board approved evaluator. Fortune shall request that a complete copy of her Board file, which includes this Final Order, be sent to the evaluator performing Fortune's evaluation before her evaluation. Once Fortune has received an evaluation and has been deemed safe to practice. Fortune shall complete a Reinstatement Application (Application) and submit the Application, along with a copy of her evaluation to the Board's Disciplinary Review Committee (DRC) for review. Fortune shall contact the Board and schedule an appointment to appear before the DRC after she has provided the above information. Following Fortune's appearance, the DRC shall render a decision regarding her reinstatement application. Violation of any of the above shall constitute grounds for denial of Fortune's license. The second was offered by Nancy Atkins. The motion carried.

c. Ms. Johnson

Tara Hulsey made a motion to suspend the Summary Suspension of Ms. Johnson due to the facts that the since the criminal matter has been resolved.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. 19CSR16 (NEW RULE FOR TELEHEALTH)

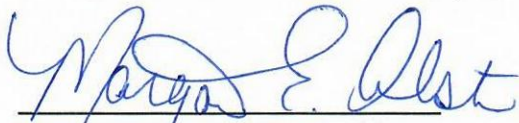
The Executive Director explained that the process to the Board related to the new rule for Telehealth. The Board discussed recommendations from the Committee. No motions were made at this time.

b. 19CSR13 DIALYSIS TECHNICIANS

Nancy Atkins reviewed with the Board the verbiage and changes to the rule. No motions were made at this time.

8. ADJOURN

With no further business before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Teresa Ritchie. The motion was seconded by Nancy Atkins. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



Minutes taken and prepared by
Margaret E. Alston
Director of Finance and Operations



Respectfully submitted by
Teresa Ritchie, DNP, APRN FNP-BC
Board Secretary