WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES JUNE 24, 2022

A BOARD MEETING WAS HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES AT 5001 MACCORKLE AVENUE, SOUTH CHARLESTON WV 25309, ON JUNE 24, 2022.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

TERESA RITCHIE, DNP, APRN FNP-BC,

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

JOHN MARTIN, PUBLIC MEMBER

DORIS BURKEY, DNP, APRN FNP-BC

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

MICHAEL D. PAYNE, Esq. GENERAL COUNSEL

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 11:33am.

2. QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. OPEN FORUM

a. ANNETTE ROUSSEAU RN VIA PHONE

3.a. The Board allotted this time to hear from Annette Rousseau MBA, RN from Arizona. Ms. Rousseau requested to speak to the Board during Open Forum by video call at the Boards June 10, 2022, meeting however she was unable to connect properly. The Board decided to defer the call until today's meeting. Ms. Rousseau was not available when the Executive Director attempted to contact her. The meeting moved forward at this time.

4. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

The Board reviewed the agenda. Nancy Atkins made a motion to accept the agenda. The second was offered by John Martin. The motion was carried.

5. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION FOR 2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- A. 19CSR03 REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION LICENSURE AND CONDUCT CONSTITUTING PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT
- **5.A.** Nancy Atkins made a motion to accept without revisions. John Martin offered the second. The motion carried.
 - B. 19CSR07 ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE
- **5.B.** John Martin made a motion to not revise 19CSR07 proposed agency rule based on public comments received. Teresa Ritchie offered the second. The motion carried.
 - C. 19CSR08 LIMITED PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY FOR NURSES IN ADVANCED PRACTICE
- **5.C.** Teresa Ritchie made a motion to not revise 19CSR08 proposed agency rule based on public comments received. John Martin offered the second. The motion carried.

D. 19CSR11 CONTINUING EDUCATION & COMPETENCE

5.D. Teresa Ritchie made a motion to not revise 19CSR11 proposed agency rule based on public comments received. Nancy Atkins offered the second. The motion carried.

E. 19CSR12 FEES FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE BOARD

- **5.E.** Theresa Dennison made a motion to not revise 19CSR12 proposed agency rule based on public comments received. Nancy Atkins seconded the motion. The motion carried.
 - F. 19CSR14 PRACTITIONER REQUIREMENT FOR ACCESSING THE WEST VIRGINIA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES MONITORING PROGRAM DATABASE
- **5.F.** Teresa Ritchie made a motion to not revise 19CSR14 proposed agency rule based on public comments received. Nancy Atkins offered the second. The motion carried.

G. 19csr16 TELEHEALTH PRACTICE; REQUIREMENTS; DEFINITIONS

5.G. Doris Burkey made a motion to revise 19CSR16 proposed agency rule based on public comment. Nancy Atkins offered the second. The motion carried.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

6. Teresa Ritchie made a motion for the Board to enter Executive Session. Doris Burkey offered the second. The motion carried. The Board went into 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.

7. PUBLIC SESSION

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

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

A. CLARIFICATION OF PERSONNEL MATTER

8.A. Teresa Ritchie made a motion to revise the motion made at the June 10, 2022, Board meeting related to employee increases taking into consideration of the Board's available budget for Personal Services to approve a salary increase to range from \$2550.00 to

\$3500.00 annually, as applicable, and to the discretion of the Executive Director related to Performance Evaluations. And to approve an increase for the Executive Director in the amount of \$3500.00. The second was offered by Nancy Atkins. The motion caried.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

A. TEMPORARY PERMITS FOR EXAM AND ENDORSEMENT APPLICATES

- **9.A.1.** Doris Burkey made a motion to modify WV Rule §19-3-4. Temporary Permit to Practice as a Registered Professional Nurse (Exam Applicant) to read as Follows:
 - 3.2.a. A temporary permit may be issued to an applicant awaiting initial examination for licensure as a registered professional nurse. The temporary permit expires one hundred eighty (180) days following graduation, or until the date the applicant' s licensing examination results are released to the office of the board by the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN), whichever comes first. A temporary permit is not renewable.
 - 3.2.b. The board shall not issue a temporary permit which permits the individual to practice registered professional nursing while awaiting initial examination for licensure and the reporting of the results of the examination until it has received and approved an application for licensure by examination.
 - 3.2.c.. The individual with a temporary permit is subject to all provisions of West Virginia Code § 30-7-1 et.seq. and all other relevant provisions of the West Virginia Code and rules promulgated by the board.
 - 3.2.d. The individual with a temporary permit shall work under the direct supervision of a registered professional nurse with an unencumbered license, until the applicant has successfully passed the NCLEX-RN and a license is issued.

The second was offered by Teresa Ritchie. The motion carried.

9.A.2. Teresa Ritchie made a motion to modify 6.2. Temporary permit for endorsement applicant as follows:

A temporary permit may be issued to an applicant awaiting endorsement for licensure as a registered professional nurse. The temporary permit expires one hundred eighty (180) days following issue, or until the date the applicant' s endorsement is completed whichever comes first.

6.2.c. The temporary permit expires one hundred eighty (180) days from

the date of issuance and the expiration date shall be printed displayed on the temporary permit on its website at wvrn.boardsofnursing.org/licenselookup.

6.2.d. An individual with a temporary permit who fails to complete the endorsement application for full licensure is not entitled to an extension of

the temporary permit. An applicant must provide a satisfactory explanation to the board prior to any subsequent request for endorsement by the applicant if the one hundred (180) day period expires prior to the completion of the required procedure for licensure by endorsement by an applicant licensed as a registered professional nurse in another state, territory, or foreign country. The applicant shall repeat the process for endorsement in its entirety if the explanation is considered acceptable by the board.

- 6.2.e. A temporary permit is not renewable, and the board shall not extend the initial one hundred eighty (180) days.
- 6.2.i. A temporary permit becomes void during the one hundred eighty (180) days if the board determines, upon satisfactory proof, that it will deny the applicant full licensure for any of the causes set forth in West Virginia Code §30-7-6.

The second was offered by Doris Burkey. The motion carried.

10. ADJOURN

With no further business before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Martin. The motion was seconded by Teresa Ritchie. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:30pm.

Minutes taken and prepared by

Margaret E. Alston

Director of Finance and Operations

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