A Special Board meeting was held at the office of the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses at 101 Dee Drive, Charleston, WV 25311-1620.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

CYNTHIA PERSILY, Ph D., RN, PRESIDENT

PRESENT BY CONFERENCE CALL

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

JOYCE EGNOR, MSN, RN

MARY FRIEL FANNING, MSN, RN

TERESA RITCHIE, MSN, RN, FNP-BC

JUDY NYSTROM, PUBLIC MEMBER

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

LAURA S. RHODES, MSN, RN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CYNDY R. HAYNES, MSN, RN, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION & PRACTICE

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

(Present by conference call)

MARGARET "MARTY" ALSTON, SECRETARY II/ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT II

JUNE 2, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Cynthia Persily, Board President at 10:00 a.m.

QUORUM

With the required number of members being present a quorum was established.
1. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

1. A motion was made by Judy Nystrom to approve the proposed agenda. The second was offered by Joyce Egnot. The motion carried.

2. **EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ADVICE FROM LEGAL COUNSEL**

2. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Dr. Cynthia A. Persily, 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 a discipline matter. 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 Robin Walton that the Board recess and reconvene in an Executive Session for legal consultation. The motion was seconded by Judy Nystrom. Motion carried.

The regular meeting recessed in order to begin the Executive Session.

3. **RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION**

3. A motion was made by Teresa Ritchie to reconvene the regular meeting to make motions related to Executive Session regarding evaluations and compensation for Executive Staff. The second was offered by Robin Walton. Motion carried. The Board reconvened in Public Session.

**THERE WERE NO MOTIONS RELATED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

4. **EXAM APPLICATION REVIEW**

4. The Board reviewed the requirement in WV 19CSR3 1 c 5 B, which provides in part that an applicant graduating from a foreign nursing program must achieve a score of 50 on the Test of Spoken English (TSE). This exam is no longer offered. The Internet based exam (iBT) is offered instead. The Office of Homeland Security requires a score of 26 on this exam for health care providers. The applicant under review scored a 23. Discussion ensued. The Board determined that a score of 26 on the iBT will be accepted in place of the score of 50 on the TSE. Robin Walton made a motion that the Board accept the iBT score that meets the requirements of Homeland Security and the Visa Screen Certificate to meet the requirement of the score of 50 on the TSE which is no longer available. The second was offered by Joyce Egnot. The motion carried.
5. MISCELLANEOUS

There were no items under this topic.

ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Judy Nystrom. The second was offered by Joyce Egnor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

[Signatures]

Minutes taken and prepared by
Laura Skidmore Rhodes, MSN, RN
Executive Director

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Respectfully submitted by
Robin Walton, MSN, RN, Ed.D., FNP-BC
Board Secretary

Special Board Meeting
August 25, 2010