

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NURSING**
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Boston, MA 02108

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Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Board Members Present In Room 3C

None

Board Members Not Present

Board Members Present Via Audio Or Video

L. Kelly, DNP, RN, CNP, Chairperson

A. Alley, MSN, RN, Vice Chairperson

K.A. Barnes, JD, RPh

K. Crowley, DNP, RN

M. Harty, LPN

L. Keough, PhD, RN, CNP

J. Monagle, PhD, RN

D. Nikitas, BSN, RN

C. Norris, LPN

V. Percy, MSN, RN

R. Reynolds, PhD, MSN, RN

A. Sprague, BS, RN

L. Wu, MBA, RN

Staff Present In Room 3C

P. Scott, Licensing Coordinator

S. Gaun, Office Support Specialist I

V. Pettigrew, Office Support Specialist I

Staff Not Present

Staff Present Via Audio Or Video

C. MacDonald, DNP, RN, Executive Director

H. Cambra, JD, RN, Deputy Executive Director

L. Hillson, PhD, MSN, RN, Assistant Director for
Policy and Research

O. Atueyi, JD, Board Counsel

M. Jardonnet, JD, Board Counsel

S. Waite, DNP, RN, Nursing Education Coordinator

H. Caines Robson, MSN, RN, Nursing Education
Coordinator

P. McNamee, MS, RN, Nursing Practice Coordinator

C. DeSpirito, JD, BSN, RN, Complaint Resolution
Coordinator

L. Almeida, RN, Nursing Investigations Supervisor
M. Waksmonski, MSN, RN, SARP Coordinator
G. Velez Rivera, MBA, SARP Monitoring Coordinator
M. Toner, SARP Monitoring Coordinator
L. Ferguson, Paralegal
K. Jones, Probation Compliance Officer

TOPIC:

Call to Order & Determination of Quorum

DISCUSSION:

L. Kelly confirmed by roll call that a quorum of the Board members was present and announced that the meeting was being recorded.

ACTION:

At <9:04> a.m., L. Kelly, DNP, RN, CNP, Chairperson, called the December 14, 2022 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting to order.

TOPIC:

Approval of Agenda

DISCUSSION:

<C. Despirito requested that item 10 A 1 and 2 be moved up under item 4. H. Robson is requesting removal of 8 B 1 and 8 D 1 to be deferred.>

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly> to approve the amended agenda, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley, **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, M. Harty, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to approve the Agenda as presented/as revised.

TOPIC:

Approval of Board Minutes for the <October 12>, 2022 Meeting of the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

DISCUSSION:

<None>

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly> to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2022 Meeting, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley (abstain), M. Harty (abstain), L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to accept the Minutes of the <October 14>, 2022 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting as presented/as revised.

TOPIC: Reports, Announcements and Administrative Matters

Announcements

DISCUSSION: C. MacDonald announced that they are continuing to seek out and fill the rest of the available seats for the Board.

ACTION:

So noted.

TOPIC: Strategic Development, Planning and Evaluation
Memo and Proposed Revisions to Discipline Policy 16-01 Complaint Committee
Presentation / Report

DISCUSSION:

< C. Despirito > summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board.

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly> to accept the revisions to the policies as outlined, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, M. Harty, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague and L. Wu** unanimously in favor to <carry the motion>.

TOPIC: Strategic Development, Planning and Evaluation
Memo and Proposed Revisions to Discipline Policy 09-01 Office of Public Protection and Board Staff
Disposition of Selected Initial Reports and Staff Assignments
Presentation / Report

DISCUSSION:

< C. Despirito > summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board.

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly> to accept the revisions to the policies as outlined, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, M. Harty, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague and L. Wu** unanimously in favor to <carry the motion>.

TOPIC: Strategic Development, Planning and Evaluation
Topics for Next Agenda

DISCUSSION:

<None.>

ACTION:

So noted.

TOPIC: SARP

Activity Report

DISCUSSION:

M. Waksmonski was available for questions.

ACTION:

So noted.

TOPIC: Probation

Staff Action Report

DISCUSSION:

K. Jones was available for questions.

ACTION:

So noted.

TOPIC: Probation **None**

Request for Termination of Probation/Stayed Probation in the matter of ◇

DISCUSSION: None

◇ summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board.

ACTION: None

Motion by ◇, seconded by ◇, and voted by roll call with A. Alley, K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague and L. Wu unanimously in favor to ◇.

TOPIC: Probation **None**

Request for Notice of Violation and Further Discipline in the matter of ◇

DISCUSSION: None

◇ summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board.

ACTION: None

Motion by ◇, seconded by ◇, and voted by roll call with A. Alley, K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague and L. Wu unanimously in favor to ◇.

TOPIC: Practice

Practice Coordinator Staff Report

DISCUSSION:

P. McNamee was available for questions.

ACTION:

So noted

TOPIC: Education
Nursing Education Staff Report

<Wheaton College, Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program
represented by Colette Dieujuste, Dean of Nursing, Present by Zoom Video and Audio>

DISCUSSION:

<H. Robson> summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board. Wheaton College sought and achieved compliance approval for their initial approval status of their nursing program. There were several areas for compliance improvement. The recommendation is to accept the compliance report and to direct the program to submit the lined-out directives. For clarification,

ACTION:

Motion by <K. Crowley> to accept the compliance report and to direct the program to provide the directed documents by February 14, 2023, seconded by <L. Kelly>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, M. Harty, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague and L. Wu** unanimously in favor to <carry the motion>.

TOPIC: Education
Site Survey of Nursing Education Programs

<Massachusetts Bay Community College, Associate Degree Nursing Program
represented by Jean Dyer, Interim Director of Nursing, Dr. Podell, President, Dr. Lynn Davis, Dean of Health Sciences, Present by Zoom Video and Audio>

DISCUSSION:

<H. Robson> summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board. The program did not provide education in psychological nursing practice and there was not enough documentation maintenance of records. The school has now added a psych site by partnering with a behavioral health facility along with the pharmacology coursework and clinical experience. The placement will include a preceptor including observational. The recommendation is to accept the compliance report and to direct the program to submit the lined-out directives. The Board members discussed multiple aspects of what the program is adding to meet the psych requirements.

ACTION:

Motion by <K. Crowley> to accept the staff compliance report and to direct the program to supply the directives and in detail describe the mental health requirements by March 14, 2022, seconded by <L. Kelly>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, M. Harty, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague and L. Wu** unanimously in favor to <carry the motion>.

TOPIC: Education
Site Survey of Nursing Education Programs

<Massachusetts Bay Community College, Practical Nursing Program
represented by Jean Dyer, Interim Director of Nursing, and Lynn Davis, Dean of Health Sciences, and David Podell, President, All Present by Zoom Video and Audio>

DISCUSSION:

<S. Waite> summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board. A site survey was conducted by Board Staff. The survey included interviews with various staff and facility review. The Survey findings included issues in documentation and records. The recommendation is to accept the compliance report with full approval and to direct the program to submit the lined-out directives.

ACTION:

Motion by < L. Kelly > to accept the survey findings, the recommendations to accept the staff compliance report, and to direct the program to supply the directives by March 14, 2023, seconded by <L. Kelly>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, M. Harty, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas**, C. Norris (inaudible), **V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to <carry the motion>.

TOPIC: Education

Site Survey Waiver Requests

<Quinsigamond Community College, Associate Degree Nursing Program represented by Patricia Creelman, Chair, Nurse Education Department, the panelist was not present for today's meeting>

DISCUSSION:

<S. Waite> summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board. Recommendations include attention to job placement findings and policies to be updated with non-discriminatory data. The recommendation is to accept the compliance report at this time and to direct the program to submit the lined-out directives.

ACTION:

Motion by < L. Kelly > to accept the staff compliance report as written to direct the program to supply the directives and thus qualify for site survey, seconded by <K. Crowley>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to <carry the motion>.

TOPIC: Requests for License Reinstatement

<None>

DISCUSSION: None

<> summarized his or her previously distributed memorandum and attached exhibits to the Board.

ACTION: None

Motion by <>, seconded by <>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley, K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague and L. Wu unanimously in favor to <>.

TOPIC:

G.L. c.30A, §21 Executive Session

DISCUSSION:

None.

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly>, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, M. Harty, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to convene the Executive Session at <10:05> a.m. as per Purpose One of G.L. c.30A, §21 (a)(1).

G.L. c. 30A, § 21 Executive Session <11:09> a.m. to <3:31> p.m.

TOPIC:

G.L. c. 112, s. 65C Session

DISCUSSION:

None.

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly>, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, M. Harty, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to convene the G.L. c. 112, s. 65C Session at <10:45> a.m.

G.L. c. 112, s. 65C Session <10:23> a.m. to <10:45> a.m.

TOPIC:

Adjudicatory Session

DISCUSSION:

None.

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly>, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, M. Harty, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to convene the Adjudicatory Session at <10:58> a.m. to deliberate on proposed final decisions and orders, and rulings on pending adjudicatory matters.

Adjudicatory Session <10:45am> a.m. to <10:58am> a.m.

TOPIC:

Adjournment

DISCUSSION:

December 14, 2022 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes
(to be Approved 2/8/2023)

None.

ACTION:

Motion by <L. Kelly>, seconded by <L. Keough>, and voted by roll call with A. Alley (absent), **K.A. Barnes, K. Crowley, L. Kelly, M. Harty, L. Keough, J. Monagle, D. Nikitas, C. Norris, V. Percy, R. Reynolds, A. Sprague** and **L. Wu** unanimously in favor to adjourn the meeting at <3:33> p.m.

Minutes of the Board's December 14, 2022, Regularly Scheduled Meeting were approved by the Board on February 8, 2022.

Linda Kelly, DNP, RN, CNP
Chairperson
Board of Registration in Nursing

Agenda with exhibits list attached.