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**MICHIGAN BOARD OF NURSING**  
**January 7, 2016 MEETING**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Nursing met on January 7, 2016, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 3, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meringa, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Joshua Meringa, MPA, MHA, BSN, RN-BC, ONC Chairperson  
Reginald Armstrong, Public Member  
Kathy Bouchard-Wyant, RN, BA  
Jill DeVries, LPN  
Lars Egede-Nissen, Public Member  
Patricia Harney, Public Member  
Paula Hopper, RN, MSN  
Elaine Leigh, DNP, RN, FNP-BC  
Tiffany McDonald, RN  
Glenn O'Connor, CRNA, MS  
Lawrence Olson, Ph.D, Public Member  
Elizabeth Recker, MSN, RN, CNOR  
Denise Steele, LPN  
Kristoffer Tobbe, Public Member  
Mary VanderKolk, RN, MSN  
Deborah Vendittelli, MSN, RN, ANP-BC  
Amy Zoll, RN, CNM

**Members Absent:** Ronald Basso, Public Member, Vice Chairperson  
Cynthia Fenske, RN, DNP, CNE  
Jessica Ann Tyson, Public Member

**Staff Present:** Cheryl Pezon, Manager, Board and Committees Section  
Shellayne Grimes, Executive Secretary, Legal Affairs Division  
LeAnn Payne, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section  
Elaine Barr, Policy Analyst, Boards and Committees Section  
Kiran Parag, Analyst, Enforcement Division  
Virginia Abdo, Manager, Enforcement Division  
Bridget Smith, Assistant Attorney General

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Tobbe, seconded by Armstrong to approve the agenda, as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by DeVries, seconded by Egede-Nissen, to approve the November 5, 2015 meeting minutes.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

### **Julie J. Clark, RN– Application for Reinstatement**

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by Egede-Nissen, to grant the Application for Reinstatement.

Petitioner is granted a full and unlimited license. Petitioner is placed on probation for one year with the condition that she not violate the Public Health Code.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed:      Yeas – Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, DeVries, Egede-Nissen,  
Harney, Hopper, Leigh, McDonald, O'Connor, Olson,  
Recker, Steele, Tobbe, VanderKolk, Vendittelli, Zoll,  
Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

### **Stephanie Lynn Lenard, RN – Proposal for Decision**

MOTION by DeVries, seconded by Armstrong to accept Proposal for Decision and deny the application for licensure as a registered nurse.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote followed:      Yeas- Armstrong, Bouchard-Wyant, DeVries, Egede-  
Nissen, Harney, Hopper, Leigh,  
McDonald, O'Connor, Olson, Recker, Steele,  
Tobbe, VanderKolk, Venditelli, Zoll, Meringa  
Nays- None

MOTION PREVAILED

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Disciplinary Subcommittee (DSC)**

Egede-Nissen reported that the DSC has met two (2) times since the last full Board meeting and will meet again after this morning's meeting. Since the Board last met, the DSC reviewed 75 Regulatory Considerations. Egede-Nissen expressly noted that no consent order and stipulations were rejected at the September 3, 2015 meeting.

Egede-Nissen expressed his appreciation of all involved in the regulatory and disciplinary process.

### **Rules Committee**

Barr updated that Board that their Draft Administrative Rules have not moved. Due to sitting too long, the rules will now have a 2015 number, but will have the same place in line.

### **Education Committee**

Hopper directed the Board to the Education Committee LPN Report and provided a verbal highlight of same.

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by VanderKolk, to accept the LPN Report presented by the Nurse Education Committee and its recommendations as provided in the attached Addendum #1.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Hopper directed the Board to the Education Committee RN Report and provided a verbal highlight of same.

MOTION by Hopper, seconded by McDonald, to accept the RN Report presented by the Nurse Education Committee and its recommendations as provided in the attached Addendum #2.

Discussion was held.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **Department of Health and Human Services – Office of Nursing Policy Report**

Deborah Bach-Stante prepared the “MDHHS - Office of Nursing Policy (ONP) Report,” dated January 7, 2016. See attached Addendum #3.

Discussion was held.

### **Vice Chairperson’s Report**

Vice Chair was absent so no report was provided.

### **Chairperson’s Report**

Meringa directed the Board to the Chairperson’s Report as follows:

November 2015:

- Allegation review 27 cases (all via email) (17 authorized for investigation)
- Summary suspensions 7
- CE Review/approvals 10
- Case reviews/Conferee 0
- Compliance conferences 0
- NCSBN: None

December 2015:

- Allegation review 32 cases (all via email) (23 authorized for investigation)
- Summary suspensions 5
- CE Review/approvals 7
- Case reviews/Conferee 1
- Compliance conferences 1
- NCSBN President’s Call 12/14 (unable to attend)
- MI Center for Nursing Nurse Map stakeholder meeting 11/4
- NCSBN Midyear Meeting: Baltimore, MD: March 14-16, 2016 – Meringa and Barr will attend.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Nurse Scholarship Fund Update**

Barr informed the Board a request went out to schools for eligible students on Monday, January 4, 2016.

### **Department Update**

None

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held March 3, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Armstrong, seconded by Tobbe, to adjourn the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

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Josh Meringa, Chairperson

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Date Minutes Signed

Prepared by:  
LeAnn Payne, Board Support

January 7, 2016

January 6, 2016  
1:30 to 3:30  
Conference Room 4  
611 W. Ottawa, Upper Level

Chairperson: Paula Hopper

Members Present: R. Armstrong, E. Leigh, K. Olson, M. VanderKolk, A. Zoll, D. Vendittelli

**NOTE:** All Board members may vote on this report, pursuant to MCL 333.16148.

## **LPN PROGRAMS**

### **Annual Report**

Alpena CC – Approved. The board commends the program for its NCLEX improvement plan and report.

St. Clair County CC—not needed due to self-study being submitted.

### **Major Program Change**

Everest-Southfield – Approved.

Dorsey PN – Information received.

Washtenaw Community College – Approved.

Detroit Business Institute – Approved.

### **Self-Study**

St. Clair County CC – Approved.

### **Request for Initial Approval**

Dorsey-Wayne – Tabled pending submission of:

Plan for recruitment of adequate faculty members. See R 338.10303(1)(a)(viii).  
Letters of support from each clinical agency stating number of students that can be accommodated per specialty area to support the requested 96 students. See R 338.10303(1)(a)(v).

Dorsey-Southgate—Tabled pending submission of:

Plan for recruitment of adequate faculty members. See R 338.10303(1)(a)(viii).  
Letters of support from each clinical agency stating number of students that can be accommodated per specialty area to support the requested 96 students. See R 338.10303(1)(a)(v).

### **NCLEX Improvement Plan**

Northern Michigan University-Approved.

## Addendum #2

January 6, 2016  
1:30 to 3:30  
Conference Room 4  
611 W. Ottawa, Upper Level

Chairperson: Paula Hopper  
Members Present: R. Armstrong, E. Leigh, K. Olson, M. VanderKolk, A. Zoll, D. Vendittelli

**PLEASE NOTE:** Pursuant to MCL 333.16148(5), a Board member who is a LPN cannot vote on RN program actions.

### RN PROGRAMS

#### Annual Report

Alpena CC – Approved. Thank you for the excellent report and the board commends the program for its NCLEX improvement plan.

St. Clair County CC—not needed due to self-study being submitted.

#### Major Program Change

Washtenaw Community College – Approved.

Detroit Business Institute – Approved.

#### Self-Study

Concordia – Approved. Exceptionally well done.

St. Clair County CC – Approved.

UM Flint – Awaiting submission.

#### Request for Initial Approval

Baker College-Jackson – Approved

#### NCLEX Improvement Plan

Northern Michigan University-Approved, however the Board is requesting further information from the BSN program to address faculty, administrative support, and curriculum.

### Addendum #3



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NICK LYON  
DIRECTOR

DATE: January 7, 2016  
FROM: Deborah Bach-Stante, Director, Office of Nursing Policy  
TO: Michigan Board of Nursing  
RE: MDHHS – Office of Nursing Policy Report

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Office of Nursing Policy (ONP), has been busy working on behalf of nurses in the state of Michigan. October marks the start of a new fiscal year; therefore, this report will focus on reporting ONP expenditures from the Nurse Professional Fund in FY2015.

ONP Internal Expenditures included \$345,895.65 for the following:

- Salary and wages for three full time staff working on the following efforts: support for and management of grants and associated projects; production of material for and updating of Office of Nursing Policy and Patient Safety Webpages; continued administration and monitoring of fulfillment of teaching obligations related to the Michigan Nursing Corps nursing faculty grant program, development of Information for display for Nurses Week; planning and administration of Mobility and Safe Patient Handling event and webinar participation and reporting at Nursing Organizational meetings throughout the state, participation on SUMMIT Planning Committee and Michigan Nursing Action Coalition Steering Committee and associated Action Team; One attendee at National Forum of Nursing Workforce Centers; Participation on Complex Care/Super Utilizer Committee; Research, analysis, and monitoring of Nursing Policy issues in Michigan and relevant National Policies and Issues as well as involvement in state efforts to address identified nursing issues and nursing related policy efforts; Development and administration of RFP for future Nurse Mapping and Nurse Licensure Survey projects;
- Supplies, equipment fees and materials for ONP internal efforts;
- Contracting for creation of display in Capitol for Nurses Week;
- Speaker fees and travel associated with Mobility and Safe Patient Handling event and webinar; and
- Contracting for licensure of Preceptor Academy materials for FY2016.

Grant to MPHI, \$81,024.09 for the following efforts:

- Editing and updating of Michigan Nurse Map, available at <https://www.minursemap.org/>;
- Design, administer, and analyze the Results of Michigan, Traditional BSN and APRN Educational Program, Clinical Placement Survey;
- Design, administer, and analyze the results of Nurse Employer, Impaired Professional Survey; and
- Management and Evaluation of results of Nursing Transition to Practice Focus Groups and Steering Committee and completion of associated research and planning.

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Grant to Michigan Health Council-Michigan Center for Nursing, \$ 249,137.31 of \$305,000 allocated for the following efforts:

- Nursing Licensure Survey Editing and Analysis and Reporting of Results, available at <https://www.michigancenterfornursing.org/tableau-center-for-nursing>, and <https://www.michigancenterfornursing.org/initiatives/data>, respectively;
- Support for Michigan Nursing Action Coalition development of Action Plans which may be found at <https://michigancenterfornursing.org/content/michigan-nursing-action-coalition>;
- Co-Sponsorship of Michigan Nursing Leadership SUMMIT for which results may be found at <https://www.michigancenterfornursing.org/content/2015-nursing-leadership-summit>; Development of draft Nursing Regulatory Requirements Module available at [https://michigancenterfornursing.org/courses/Nursing\\_Regulation/](https://michigancenterfornursing.org/courses/Nursing_Regulation/);
- Outreach for development of interprofessional education and practice efforts involving nursing;
- Provision of matching grant for first year of two year Robert Wood Johnson Foundation SIP grant for enhancement of online nursing career guide, available at <https://www.michigancenterfornursing.org/learning/career-coaching-modules>; and
- Two attendees at the National Forum of Nursing Workforce Centers.