

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE
INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

Thursday, September 15, 2022

Indiana Government Center South
Conference Center, Room B
302 W. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46204

I. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum

8:30 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Kim Cooper, MSN, RN
Jennifer Miller, MSN, RN
Angela Morris, RN
Jason King, DNP, RN
Julian Gallegos, PhD, RN, FNP-BC
Judy Hamblen, LPN

Advisory Counsels:

Claire Dyer
Donald Hannah

PLA Staff:

Nicholas Hart
Alyssa Servies
Toni Herron
Kayla Perkins
Ashlee Gentry
Rebecca Tinsley
Catherine Briney

II. Adoption of the Agenda as amended. Miller/Hamblen 6-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the amended agenda. Miller/Hamblen 6-0-0.

III. Public Hearing on LSA Document # 22-111

The public hearing concluded without any testimony from the public.
A motion was made and seconded to adopt the proposed rule. King/Hamblen 6-0-0.

IV. Adoption of the Minutes

1. February 17, 2022 – **tabled to October 13, 2022**
2. May 19, 2022
3. June 16, 2022
4. July 21, 2022
5. August 18, 2022

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes. Miller/Gallegos 6-0-0.

V. Adoption of Recommended Orders

1. Kabrina Vest
2. Emily Fassiotto
3. Priscilla Bex
4. Tracie Vaughn
5. Ruth Dilts
6. Stardasha Conway
7. Grace Wyatt
8. Annette Washington
9. Ezekiel Tsamwa
10. Tamesa Carey
11. Jennifer Siert
12. Carmen Padgett
13. Allison Martin
14. Gwendolyn Castaneda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the recommended orders. King/Morris 6-0-0.

VI. Education

1. Ivy Tech Community College Hamilton County Intent to Open site visit – Monick Davis DNP, MSN-ED, RN, and Jewel Diller DNP, MSNEd, RN
Cooper recused.

Board Vice President Jennifer Miller presided over the matter. Dr. Monick Davis, Dr. Jewel Diller, Stacy Atkinson and Rachel Kartz appeared on behalf of the program. Education Compliance Officer Toni Herron stated that Ivy Tech Community College (ITCC) has opened a campus in Hamilton County (Noblesville) and that they are petitioning to open an ASN program. The decision to start with an ASN program, rather than the traditional PN track, was requested by the community and clinical partners. Funding to support creation of the program was secured through grants from both IU Health and Community Health, in addition to funds made available by ITCC. Ms. Herron stated that a former school building has been completely remodeled to accommodate the needs of a college campus and to create the facilities required for the nursing program. There are four (4) well equipped simulation labs that are designed with a specific patient population in mind – peds, OB, acute and long-term care. There is a separate fundamentals skill lab.

On the second floor, there is a dedicated nursing classroom designed to facilitate active learning for students. Faculty offices are also on the second floor and arranged in rooms of pods, corresponding to position. The pods are more spacious than other pods that have been created by ITCC, are arranged in groups of four (4) and allow space for another individual to occupy the space also. Separate rooms of pods are designated for full-time faculty, department chairs and deans plus an additional space for adjunct faculty use. Four “Faculty Space” rooms are scattered around the second floor to facilitate confidential conversations. The program has secured clinical affiliation agreements with a wide variety of clinical partners. Based on the site visit, Ms. Herron recommends granting initial accreditation with two (2) admissions per year with twenty (20) students in each cohort. Board member Dr. Gallegos asked if the curriculum would be the same as that taught at other campuses and was told that it was. Dr. Gallegos made a motion to grant initial accreditation with two (2) cohorts annually of twenty (20) students each. Board member Angela Morris seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0-0.

2. Fortis College monthly report – in person – Kristy Schoen MSN, RN

Kristi Schoen and Dr. Melvin Bolden Jr. appeared on behalf of the program. Ms. Herron stated that NCLEX results were quarter to date – 63.6% (7/11); year to date 55.5% (15/27), in comparison to the 2021 annual pass rate of 59.3% (19/32). Board President Kim Cooper asked how many graduates had not tested and Ms. Schoen said ten (10). There are several graduates who have not tested that are still working on the Covid temporary license, which expires December 1, 2022. She stated the graduates of the July cohort had an 85% pass rate so far. The HESI A2 exam was moved from health assessment to a pre-admission requirement. Students were having trouble meeting the benchmark score for admission; therefore, the size of cohorts has dropped. Ms. Schoen said that the math portion seemed to be most problematic. Ms. Herron reminded the Board that Fortis is a national company that has, in the past, limited what changes the local faculty thought would be beneficial to the students. Ms. Cooper asked about Fortis national pass rates and Ms. Schoen did not have that information. Ms. Herron asked if the Board would like the Vice President of Nursing for Fortis to appear before the Board, and the answer was yes. Ms. Herron will issue the invitation for the October 13th meeting. Ms. Cooper highly recommended securing access to Mountain Measure reports, which can be pricey, to evaluate where students are struggling on NCLEX.

A discussion regarding OB clinical revealed that there may be some problem with clinical group size. Ms. Cooper asked that grids for the last 3 OB rotations be submitted by close of business for the Board to review. The program will return next month in person.

3. Education Update from Toni Herron

VII. Discussion Items

1. Indiana State Nurses Assistance Program Report.
The report was presented by Program Director, Tracy Traut.

2. Director's Report
i. APRN Audit Update

Ms. Herron stated that the Board requested follow-up to results of the 2019-2021 APRN audit which is in process. All APRNs that were found to be non-compliant with the audit requirements will be issued a Notice of Non-Compliance, listing their deficiencies which led to the notice. The APRN will receive the notice both by email and US mail to ensure receipt. They will have thirty (30) days to submit/comply with the requirements of the audit. If they fail to respond within the thirty (30) day period, an Order to Show Cause will be issued to appear before the Board. The Board may decide appropriate sanctions at that time.

- ii. Rulemaking Update
iii. LPN Renewals
iv. Board Logistics

3. OAG Report
The report was presented by Section Chief, Paul Schilling.

4. Indiana State Nurses Association Report
The report was presented by CEO, Katie Feley.

VIII. Proposed Settlement Agreements

1. Kara Gunn
2. Paula McCarthy
3. Emily Nelson
4. Laura Sherman
5. Denise Schock
6. Samantha Gillespie

A motion was made and seconded to approve agreements one through six. Miller/Hamblen 6-0-0.

7. Melissa Schwarte

A motion was made and seconded to deny the agreement. Cooper/Hamblen 6-0-0.

IX. Petitions for Summary Suspension

1. In the Matter of the License of Makenzy Sparks, 28250774A
Administrative Cause No. 2022 NB 0095
DAG: Alex James
Respondent: Not present
Witness(es): Melissa Gustafson, OAG Investigator
Exhibit(s): Exhibit A – Copy of the Consumer Complaint
Exhibit B-1 – Statement from T.B. from the Wayne County Sherriff’s Department
Exhibit B-2 – Statement from J.A. from the Wayne County Sherriff’s Department
Exhibit B-3 – Statement from T.F. from the Wayne County Sherriff’s Department
Exhibit C – Email from Respondent
Exhibit D – Certified Criminal Records from Drake County Ohio

A motion was made and seconded to suspend the license for a period of 90 days. King/Hamblen 6-0-0.

X. Summary Suspension Renewals

1. In the Matter of the License of Jacob Hemming, 28226820A
Administrative Cause No. 2022 NB 0055
Re: Voluntary Suspension Agreement
DAG: Whitney Cooper
Respondent: Not present
Witness(es): None
Exhibit(s): None

A motion was made and seconded to renew the summary suspension for 63 days. Miller/Morris 6-0-0.

2. In the Matter of the License of Jennifer L. Hahn, 27064384A
Administrative Cause No. 2019 NB 0254
Re: Motion to Vacate
DAG: Natalie Stidd
Respondent: Not present
Witness(es): None
Exhibit(s): None

A motion was made and seconded to vacate the hearing. Miller/Gallegos 6-0-0.

3. In the Matter of the License of Veronica Housley, 27067884A
Administrative Cause No. 2022 NB 0081
Re: Voluntary Suspension Agreement
DAG: Paul Schilling
Respondent: Not present
Witness(es): None
Exhibit(s): None
A motion was made and seconded to renew the summary suspension for 90 days. King/Hamblen 6-0-0.

XI. Final Hearings

1. In the Matter of the License of Lana Wells, 28195134A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0148

XII. Probation Withdrawal Hearing

1. In the Matter of the License of Kimberly Caudill, 28158611A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2014 NB 0314

XIII. Prehearing Conferences

1. In the Matter of the License of Jamie Dirrim, 28151137A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0187
2. In the Matter of the License of Katrina Jimenez, 28221414A
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0253
3. In the Matter of the License of Heather Swager, 28211692A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0025
4. In the Matter of the License of Chrysanthia Cole, 27033772A
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0247
5. In the Matter of the License of Anestasha Seaton, 27066671A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0034
6. In the Matter of the License of Jennifer Vukin, 28221496A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0046
7. In the Matter of the License of Gina Alessia, 28211957A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0057
8. In the Matter of the License of Terry Vessels, 28203322A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0074
9. In the Matter of the License of Sarah Harley, 27071387A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0078
10. In the Matter of the License of Sherrelle Geeter, 27071662A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0088

11. In the Matter of the License of Patrick Griffin, 28242430A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0097
12. In the Matter of the License of Sherry Chalfant, 28237109A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0138
13. In the Matter of the License of Melissa Schwarte, 27063718A – CANCELLED
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0157
14. In the Matter of the License of Geoffrey Hager, 27067731A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0003
15. In the Matter of the License of Kristy Martin, 28189463A
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0136
16. In the Matter of the License of Catherine McCoskey, 28137182A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2019 NB 0306
17. In the Matter of the License of Russel Hoagland, 28227041A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0193
18. In the Matter of the License of Claire Pilkerton, 28234118A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0223
19. In the Matter of the License of Michael Swenk, 27074781A
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0224
20. In the Matter of the License of Dana Hoskinson, 28246275A
Administrative Cause No. 2022 NB 0007
21. In the Matter of the License of Kylie Anderson, 28205306A
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0073
22. In the Matter of the License of Lorelei Harsha, 28127288A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0165
23. In the Matter of the License of Shena Smith, 28174594A
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0254
24. In the Matter of the License of Christine Wilson, 27023542A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0045
25. In the Matter of the License of Shelly Korous, 28159779A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0054
26. In the Matter of the License of Lisa Hampton, 27057652A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0058
27. In the Matter of the License of James Richardson, 28102137A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0077

28. In the Matter of the License of Michelle Nichols, 28096862A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0085
29. In the Matter of the License of Cassandra Smith, 27055514A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0096
30. In the Matter of the License of Samantha Gillespie, 28224169A – CANCELLED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0102
31. In the Matter of the License of Cynthia Fortier, 27052640A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0103
32. In the Matter of the License of Colleen Sachman, 27055108A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0104
33. In the Matter of the License of Victoria Halsey, 28254528A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0105
34. In the Matter of the License of Erin Connor, 28220561A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0108
35. In the Matter of the License of Melissa Coleman, 27077346A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0114
36. In the Matter of the License of Panchita Ingram, 27069957A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0121
37. In the Matter of the License of Pamela Coleman, 28144003A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0124
38. In the Matter of the License of Mesghane Asgedom, 28205617A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0126
39. In the Matter of the License of Amber G Smith, 27071461A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0127
40. In the Matter of the License of Laura McGuinness, 28216033A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0131
41. In the Matter of the License of Leslie Nelson, 27058448A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0137
42. In the Matter of the License of Beth Milbee, 28168165A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0150
43. In the Matter of the License of Sarah Bond, 28180188A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0151
44. In the Matter of the License of Amber Phebus, 28176781A – CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0152

45. In the Matter of the License of Michelle Buchanan, 27026258A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0153

A motion was made and seconded to issue NOPDs in the following cause numbers:

2020 NB 0247

2021 NB 0114

2021 NB 0127

2021 NB 0137

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The remaining prehearing conferences will be continued to October 13, 2022.

XIV. Adjournment

Upcoming Board Meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>ALJ/Full</u>	<u>Location</u>
October 6, 2022	ALJ – Kim	Virtual
October 13, 2022	Full	Conference Center Room B
November 3, 2022	ALJ – Kim	Virtual
November 17, 2022	Full	Conference Center Room B
December 8, 2022	ALJ – Jason	Virtual
December 15, 2022	Full	Conference Center Room B