

MINUTES OF THE
INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Thursday, December 12, 2024
at 8:30 a.m.

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

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Miller, MSN, RN
Kim Cooper, MSN, RN
Jason King, DNP, RN
Angela Morris, MSN, RN
Nancy Juengst, LPN
Rena Magers, LPN
Jessican Harlan-York, JD

Advisory Counsel:

Claire Dyer
Donald Hannah

PLA Staff:

Audrea Racine
Toni Herron
Rebecca Tinsley
Bradley Repass
Nick Hart

Court Reporter:

Falicity Nunez

I. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum

8:30 a.m.

II. Adoption of the Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda with edit to #2 name of recommended order and addition of discussion item. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

III. Adoption of the Minutes

1. Minutes of the Meeting on November 21, 2024

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes. King/Morris 7-0-0.

2. Minutes of the ALJ Meeting on December 5, 2024 with edits. King/Magers 6-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes

IV. Adoption of ALJ Recommendations

1. ALJ Recommendations of November 7, 2024

A motion was made and seconded to deny #20 Morgan. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the ALJ recommendations with edits. Cooper/Magers 7-0-0.

2. ALJ Recommendations of November 21, 2024

A motion was made and seconded to approve the ALJ recommendations. King/Cooper 7-0-0.

V. Adoption of Recommended Orders

1. Shanell Martin
2. Alyssa Hull Nerad
3. Audrey Keith
4. Carla Brown
5. Daniela Gathright
6. Ieicia Taylor
7. Katrina Sult
8. Kyleigh Benbow
9. Melanie Custidiano
10. Norma Love
11. Rhonda White

A motion was made and seconded to approve recommended orders 1, 3-11. Cooper/Magers 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to approve recommended order 2. Cooper/ Morris 6-1-0.

VI. Education

1. Goshen College full accreditation renewal site visit report – Jewel Yoder, DNP, RN

Dr. Yoder, Ann Vendrely and Beth Miller appeared on behalf of the program. Education Compliance Officer, Toni Herron, stated that Goshen College was appearing before the Board for a dual purpose – for approval for immediate occupancy and use of newly remodeled Westlawn Hall, as well as full reaccreditation of the BSN pre-licensure nursing education program. Dr. Yoder reminded the Board that Goshen is one of the oldest BSN programs in the State. Ms. Herron stated that the newly remodeled floors in Westlawn Hall provide state-of-the-art simulation labs, classrooms and student focused study areas. Board member Kim Cooper asked about funding for the simulation labs. Dr. Yoder stated that the College has funded the improvements. Ms. Herron stated that a concern is that there is not a simulation coordinator which is not currently part of the faculty. Ms. Cooper urged that the simulation coordinator be identified and funding for the simulation labs be built into future budgets as a line-item expense.

After further discussion, Ms. Cooper made a motion to approve the construction and renew full accreditation effective immediately. Ms. Morris seconded. Motion carries. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

2. FYI Only

- i. Ivy Tech announces the retirement of Dean Kelly Williams effective January 1, 2025 with a search for successor underway

VII. Discussion Items

1. OAG Report

Amanda Cassidy, Section Chief of Medicaid Fraud Control Unity, delivered the report.

2. Director's Report

Audrea Racine, ISBN Director, delivered the report.

- i. SANE rule 2nd public comment period
- ii. Nominations for Officers for January board meeting
- iii. Director Racine will be in training during next month's meeting. Mr. Hart will step in for Jan. mtg.

3. ISNAP Report

Tracy Traut, ISNAP Program Director, delivered the report.

4. Length of RMAs- 848 IAC 7-1-4

The board discussed the process around multiple RMAs and RMAs that might require preapproval from the board after (5) years in the program.

5. Nursing Students Seeking Preapproval Licensure Process

Ms. Cooper requested this item be added to the agenda. Director Racine provided the website info and discussed the internal process for these requests.

VIII. Proposed Settlement Agreements

1. Carrie Weiging
2. Shawn Randles
3. Martha Coppock
4. Angela Trackwell
5. Trista Crone
6. Allison Colbert
7. Kelly Perry
8. Corey Geyer
9. Lindsey Marino
10. Susan Wolfe
11. Rachel Gum
12. Amanda Carnagua
13. Lisa McClain
14. Bryan Taylor

A motion was made and seconded to approve settlement 1, 2 Harlan-York/Magers 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to deny settlement 3. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to approve settlement 4-7. King/Cooper 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to deny settlement 8. Cooper/Magers 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to approve settlement 9. King/Cooper 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to deny settlement 10. Magers/Cooper 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to approve settlement 11. King/Harlan-York 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to approve settlement 13. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to deny settlement 14. Cooper/Magers 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to approve settlement 12. King/Harlan-York 6-0-0. Cooper recused herself.

IX. Motion to Set-Aside Default

1. In the Matter of the License of Niki Robinson, 27054524A
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0175

A motion was made and seconded to set aside the default. King/Harlan-York 7-0-0.
A motion was made and seconded to approve the leave to file an amended administrative complaint.
Miller/Cooper 7-0-0.

2. In the Matter of the License of Crystal Reed, 28180543A
Administrative Cause No. 2022 NB 0050
Re: Notice was not perfected

A motion was made and seconded to resend the NOPD to the correct address. Harlan-York/Morris 7-0-0.

X. Motions to Dismiss

1. In the Matter of the Privilege to Practice of Kerry Wanner, 1098403
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0132

A motion was made and seconded to grant the motion to dismiss with prejudice. Magers/King 7-0-0.

2. In the Matter of the License of Michael Hankins, 28118655A/ 28118655C
Administrative Cause No. 202409 NUR 0195

A motion was made and seconded to grant the motion to dismiss. King/Harlan-York 7-0-0.

3. In the Matter of the License of Melissa Cooper, 28227307A
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0053

A motion was made and seconded to grant the motion to dismiss. Cooper/Harlan-York 7-0-0.

XI. Petition to Surrender

1. In the Matter of the License of Mary Spreckelson, 28126841A
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0002
DAG: Whitney Cooper
Respondent: Respondent present by counsel, Laura Iosue
Witness(es): none
Exhibit(s): none

A motion was made and seconded to deny the Petition to Surrender. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

XII. Petitions for Summary Suspension

1. In the Matter of the License of Beth Burgess, 28116672A
Administrative Cause No. 202412-NUR-0245
DAG: Alex James
Respondent: Not present
Witness(es): Deanna Silva, OAG Investigator
Exhibit(s): State Ex.1 (Consumer Complaint), State Ex. 2 (Henry County Criminal Records), State Ex. 3 (Hancock County Criminal Records), State Ex. 4 (RMA), State Ex. 5 (IPRP Compliance Testing), State Ex. 6 (IPRP Discharge Letter), State Ex. 7 (Hancock County Criminal Records 30D02-2303-F6-404), State Ex. 8 (Hancock County Criminal Records 30D02-2404-F6-568), State Ex. 9 (Hancock County Probation Revocation), State Ex. 10 (License Renewals), State Ex. 11 (Respondent's arrests/criminal convictions by year)

A motion was made and seconded to summarily suspend Respondent's license for 90 days. Cooper/Harlan-York 7-0-0.

2. In the Matter of the License of Bryan Taylor, 28204656A
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0046
DAG: Alex James
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): Alyssa Hamilton, IPRP
Exhibit(s): none

A motion was made and seconded to deny Respondent's counsel appearing virtual. Miller/Harlan-York 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to summarily suspend Respondent's license for 90 days. Harlan-York/Cooper 7-0-0.

XIII. Summary Suspension Renewals

1. In the Matter of the License of Shawn Randles, 28256088A
Administrative Cause No. 202406-NUR-0115

A motion was made and seconded to renew the summary suspension for 90 days. King/Cooper 7-0-0.

XIV. Final Hearings (11:00 a.m.)

1. In the Matter of the License of Kathy Lynch, 28087031A/71005050A
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0174
DAG: Alex James
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): none
Exhibit(s): none

A Proposed Settlement Agreement was filed on Dec. 11th, 2024. A motion was made and seconded to deny the PSA. Harlan-York/Magers 7-0-0.

2. In the Matter of the License of Melissa Cooper, 28227307A-VACATED
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0053
3. In the Matter of the License of Pamela Huckelby, 28210269A
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0038
DAG: Whitney Cooper
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): none
Exhibit(s): none

A motion was made and seconded to issue a Notice of Proposed Default. King/Cooper 7-0-0.

4. In the Matter of the License of Nelleigh Salinas, 28228884A
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0052
DAG: Carah Rochester
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): none
Exhibit(s): none

A motion was made and seconded to continue the hearing. Harlan-York/Magers 7-0-0.

5. In the Matter of the License of Amanda Carnagua, 28251724A-CONTINUED/PSA
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0160
6. In the Matter of the License of Rachel Gum, 28272446A-CONTINUED/PSA
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0192
7. In the Matter of the License of Hannamarie York, 27056233A-VACATED
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0219
8. In the Matter of the License of Rebecca Craddock, 28157267A
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0064
DAG: Ryan Eldridge
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): none
Exhibit(s): none

A motion was made and seconded to continue. Magers/Harlan-York 6-0-0.

9. In the Matter of the License of Angela Trackwell, 28209397A /71009743A-CONTINUED/PSA
Administrative Cause No. 202405-NUR-0087
10. In the Matter of the License of Kerry Wanner, 1098403-VACATED
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0132
11. In the Matter of the License of Lindsey Marino, 28197343A-CONTINUED/PSA
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0025
12. In the Matter of the License of James Bittner, 28200555A- CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0172

XV. Appeals (1:30 p.m.)

1. In the Matter of the License of Diane R. Swartzentruber
Administrative Cause No. 202411 NUR 0230
DAG: None
Respondent: Present and comfortable for proceeding without counsel
Witness(es): Respondent
Exhibit(s): None

A motion was made and seconded to deny the appeal. Miller/Harlan-York 3-3-0. Motion fails.

A motion was made and seconded to reverse the denial. Refresher course with predictor score. Allowed to take examination one additional time. Mitigating factors: situation with the death of her father and timing of the exam. She has sought medical help with her testing disability, and she is working in the medical field. Magers/Juengst 5-1-0.

2. In the Matter of the License of Svetlana Barshay-Oakley
Administrative Cause No. 202411 NUR 0229
DAG: none
Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel
Witness(es): Respondent, Eduard Barshay, Toni Herron, IPLA, Nick Hart, IPLA
Exhibit(s): none

A motion was made and seconded to reverse the denial due to the language on page 4 of CGFNS report that she is “comparable to a RN in the United States”. She has practiced in New York and has four letters of recommendation. King/Harlan-York 6-0-0.

XVI. Post Discipline (1:30 p.m.)

1. In the Matter of the License of Jerry Mele Jr., 28201528A-CONTINUED
Administrative Cause No. 2019 NB 0301
Re: Consider the Notice of Proposed Dismissal & Petition to Lift Probation
2. In the Matter of the License of Lydia Gorbett, 28208482A
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0041
DAG: Autumn Murphy
Respondent: Present and comfortable proceeding without counsel
Witness(es): Respondent, Alyssa Hamilton, IPRP
Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (IPLA Affidavit), State Ex. 2 (IPRP documentation), State Ex. 3 (Lawrence County Crim Records ending in 1053), State Ex. 4 (Lawrence County Crim Records ending in 0730), State Ex. 5 (Jackson County Crim Records ending in 0188)

A motion was made and seconded to place the licensee on indefinite probation. Successful completion of the current RMA, no home health, no hospice, no supervisory roles in first 6 months, (12) CEUs impaired nursing, (12) self-care & coping, (12) professionalism and ethics, signed board orders, employer quarterly reports for the length of the probation, keep board apprised of contact information, any new arrests. One year of active practice. King/Morris 6-0-0.

3. In the Matter of the License of Kristin Burman, 27060102A
Administrative Cause No. 2018 NB 0285
DAG: Autumn Murphy
Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel
Witness(es): Respondent, Stacey Nierste, Audrea Racine, ISBN
Exhibit(s): Respondent Ex. A (Letter of Recommendation-Bierly), Respondent Ex. B (Letter of Recommendation-Bottomley), Respondent Ex. C (Letter of Recommendation-Burman), Respondent Ex. D (Letter of Recommendation-Petty), Respondent Ex. E (Letter of Recommendation-Thomas), State Ex. 1 (IPLA Affidavit), State Ex. 2 (IPRP documentation)

A motion was made and seconded to deny the Reinstatement. King/Morris 6-0-0.

XVII. Orders to Show Cause (1:30 p.m.)

1. In the Matter of the License of Monyae Young, 27080363A
Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0064
DAG: none
Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel
Witness(es): Respondent, Alyssa Hamilton, IPRP
Exhibit(s): none

A motion was made and seconded to suspend licensee's license for a minimum of six (6) months, re-engage with ISNAP and enter into RMA, must have three months of full compliance with RMA prior to petitioning the board. Keep board of apprised of contact info, Aggravating factors: lack of accountability, multiple failed check-ins, lack of self-awareness. King/Magers 6-0-0.

XVIII. Default Hearings

1. In the Matter of the License of Robyn Price, 28168377A
Administrative Cause No. 2022 NB 0092
DAG: Natalie Stidd
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): Tracy Traut, IPRP
Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (2016 Board Order), State Ex. 2 (2018 Board Order), State Ex. 3 (2021 Board Order Summary Suspension), State Ex. 4 (Cert. Crim Docs Cass County), State Ex. 5 (Resident CD records and Count Sheet), State Ex. 6 (UDS screen), State Ex. 7 (ISNAP discharge documentation)

A motion was made and seconded to hold Respondent in default. King/Harlan-York 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to revoke Respondent's license and \$5 health records fees. Aggravating factors: multiple RMA attempts, not actively participated in proceedings regarding her license, felony convictions, appearing at work with unprescribed opiates in her system. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

2. In the Matter of the License of Tera Brockman, 27045807A
Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0063
Re: Response to NOPD and default hearing
DAG: Natalie Stidd
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): none

Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (Waters of New Castel Employment Records), State Ex. 2 (Greenfield Healthcare Center Employment Records), State. Ex. 3 (2018 License Renewal)

A motion was made and seconded to hold Respondent in default. King/Cooper 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to place Respondent's license on indefinite suspension, may not lift for (6) months, evaluation with ISNAP, and if RMA is required, full compliance with RMA for a minimum of (6) months prior to petitioning for reinstatement, 36 CEUs; (12) in med administration, (12) in professionalism and ethics, (12) in Impaired Nursing/Nursing and Addiction, \$2,000 fine, cost of proceedings, \$5 health record fee. Morris/Cooper 7-0-0.

3. In the Matter of the License of Christina White, 28100075A
Administrative Cause No. 202409-NUR-0175
DAG: Rebekah Hammond
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): Brittany Ulrey, OAG Investigator, Audrea Racine, ISBN
Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (Certified Records from Missouri State Board of Nursing)

A motion was made and seconded to hold Respondent in default. King/Morris 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to indefinitely suspend Respondent's license, evaluation with ISNAP, and if RMA is required, full compliance with RMA for a minimum of (6) months prior to petitioning for reinstatement, cost of proceedings, \$1,000 fine, \$5 health records fee.
Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

4. In the Matter of the License of Sarah Harley, 27071387A
Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0078
DAG: Hilary Brown
Respondent: not present
Witness(es): Audrea Racine, ISBN
Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (Criminal Records Clark County), State Ex. 2 (Criminal Records Floyd County)

A motion was made and seconded to hold Respondent in default. Harlan-York/Morris 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to indefinitely suspend Respondent's license for a minimum of one year, evaluation with IPRP, sign RMA if required, minimum of 6 months of full compliance with RMA prior to petitioning the board, thirty-six hours of Continuing Education, 12 CEUs in professionalism, 12 CEUs in Nursing and Addiction, 12 CEUS in Self-Care, \$1,000 for each count totaling \$6,000 fine, \$5 health record fee, cost of proceedings. Aggravating factors: Respondent became a nurse in 2014 and started diverting in 2017, she has diverted in her place of employment(s), working under the influence that were not prescribed to her, volume of the record, lack of participation by Respondent in the proceedings. Cooper/Magers 7-0-0.

5. In the Matter of the License of Charmayne Booker, 27050550A
Administrative Cause No. 2024 NB 0078

DAG: Whitney Cooper

Respondent: not present

Witness(es): none

Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (Summary Suspension Renewal Order), State Ex. 2 (2023 Criminal Records), State Ex. 3 (2024 Criminal Records), State Ex. 4 (Certified Copy of Plea Agreement)

A motion was made and seconded to hold Respondent in default. Morris/Cooper 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to revoke Respondent's license with \$5 health records fee. Cost of proceedings, \$1,000 for each count, totaling \$6,000. Aggravating factors: acted outside her scope of practice by putting additives into liquid morphine which was administered to patients in its adulterated state, actions and behaviors indicate suffering from a serious and untreated addiction, the extent in which Respondent went to support her addiction, had numerous items in her vehicle when arrested like scales and cut straws. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

6. In the Matter of the License of Casey Morton, 27070941A

Administrative Cause No. 202408-NUR-0167

DAG: Hilary Brown

Respondent: not present

Witness(es): none

Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (American Senior Communities Employment Records)

A motion was made and seconded to hold Respondent in default. Morris/Cooper 7-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to indefinitely suspend Respondent's license for period of one (1) year, complete mental health evaluation within 3 months of applying for reinstatement and follow all recommendations, \$1,000 for each count, cost of proceedings, \$5 health records fee, 48 hours of continuing education, (24) in ethics and professionalism and (24) in boundaries, 80 hours of community service in the areas of homeless shelters, soup kitchen, food pantries (no hospitals). Aggravating factors: she has committed fraud, used her authority to defraud the government and her patients, ethical violations, exploited vulnerability of patients. Cooper/Morris 7-0-0.

XIX. Prehearing Settlement Conferences (Room 3, 9:00 a.m.)

1. NONE scheduled

XX. Personal Appearances (Rooms 1&2, 1:30 p.m.)(Conducted by ALJ Kim Cooper)

1. Ashley Bowers-CONTINUED
2. Tiffany Ann Hayden- Tiffany is appearing on an RN examination application. Tiffany graduated from Ivy Tech on 5/6/2012. Tiffany is over 10 years since graduation and has never passed the examination for RN. She has taken the examination one time. She ended up getting discouraged and had a child. Recommendation to deny. Go back to school and complete the program again (LPN to RN).
3. Robin Ilean Bowman- Robin Ilean Bowman is appearing on a reinstatement for an RN license. Robin has been expired/out of practice since 2003. Became a nurse in 1997. Took the exam in 1996. Then, in 2003, she let the license lapse. Robin was a stay-at-home mom during the period

of not working as a nurse. Has not worked as a nurse since 2003. Recommendation to deny-review course and receive a 95%, take the NCLEX test, and refresher course with clinical skills lab.

4. Annette K. Spink- Annette is appearing on a reinstatement for an LPN license. Annette has been expired/out of practice since 2012. First became in LPN in 1995. Last practiced in 2011. Expired in 2012. Diagnosed with MS and that is why she was not practicing. Recommendation to deny-review course and receive 95%, take the NCLEX test, and refresher course with clinical skills lab.
5. Krystal M. Freels- Krystal M. Freels is appearing on a reinstatement for an LPN license. Krystal has been expired/out of practice since 2012. Became an LPN in 2006. Left practice around 2011. Applied in 2018 and was told to take refresher course. Krystal did finish the refresher course with clinical component. Recommendation to take the review course with 95%, NCLEX test, and then the refresher course with clinical component.
6. Carolyn Paavo- CONTINUED
7. Melanie Aldridge-CONTINUED
8. Jahnna Smith- Jahnna Smith is appearing for the licensure preapproval. Jahnna has numerous traffic violations on her record. Not currently in a nursing program. Interested in Lefler. CNA and a QMA. Has worked agency at the same place and is now employed there as a CNA/QMA. Disorderly conduct charge in 2023. No pending and open charges at this time. In 2023, she received a traffic ticket. She has some previous driving problems and does not hold any kind of license. Smith was driven to the meeting by grandma. Smith does have a car and insurance but cannot hold a driver's license. Smith holds SR22 and needs a hardship license. Smith was living in a place without support and had to drive herself to employment. Smith was out with friends and there was a fight in the parking lot of TJ Maxx. ALJ was not sure what to do with this person. The applicant was not wanting to be transparent. The applicant was not answering all questions. The applicant did not have any convictions of concern. ALJ knows she cannot be denied necessary, but ALJ did not like the answers given.
9. Jennifer Sue Baker- **TABLED**- Jennifer is appearing for an endorsement application for the RN. Jennifer answered yes to being disciplined in another state and being terminated. Jennifer uploaded a statement that she was recently investigated for missing medication. Jennifer is currently a nurse in Arkansas. She previously practiced here in IN on a compact. Jennifer has moved to the State of Indiana. Jennifer first became a nurse in 1995. In 2003, Jennifer received the ADN. Jennifer injured her back during a long labor. She had back pain for a few years. She was working at ICU and doing heavy lifting. This was in 2005. She was prescribed hydrocodone and this prescription led to an addiction. Failed a drug screen out of state in Arkansas and self-reported in 2018 and the drug screen was work related. Arkansas ended up putting Jennifer on probation. Jennifer checked herself into rehab. Jennifer did take the medication off the street and diverted from facilities. Dilaudid was drug of choice. 3 years' probation with Arkansas. She was working in medical PCU as an RN at Franciscan. This employment was in 2024. Franciscan called and said an investigation was pending and to not come in to work. She was drug tested and the drug test was clear. But, the first test was lost. Then she tested again and was cleared. Then took on for another employment and passed. Then, two to three weeks later, Jennifer was called back to the facility to have a talk. She was told that there was missing narcotics. No drugs missing. But, the report showed she was giving more narcotics than her peers. That she gave away the most fentanyl on the whole unit. All wastes were witnessed. They did state she was wasting a lot. Franciscan ended her contract. Currently, she is going to Walden University for NP. Sobriety date 08/08/2018. Jennifer still goes to NA meetings at home. Aggravating – addiction lasting more than 10 years / addiction 06-18/ hydrocodone was drug of choice then moved to dilaudid/ high suspension during investigation/self-reported diversion/self-reported criminal activities /self-report history of using narcotics off the streets. Mitigating – transparent.

10. Shawnika M. McCullough- Shawnika is appearing for an examination LPN application. Shawnika graduated from Brown Mackie in 2010 and has never passed the NCLEX examination. She was told to do a refresher course in 2022. Never turned in the refresher course with clinical component. Then, the application was abandoned out. The applicant indicated that she graduated in 2010. The 2022 application was then abandoned in 2024. She reapplied in October 2024. She attempted boards one to two times. Recommendation to deny and go back to school.
11. Kiersten L. Padgett- Kiersten was heard by the full board due to a conflict with ALJ Cooper. Padgett is appearing for an examination RN application. Kiersten answered yes to questions #2 and #5. Kiersten entered into a pretrial diversion program 10/29/24 for furnishing alcohol to a minor. She is completing community service. She was nominated to write a speech for her class graduation. The board made a motion to approve free and clear. Mitigating factors transparency, accountability, no prior criminal issues, no malice intent. Morris/Harlan-York 6-0-0.
12. Anyah Green-**Failed to appear. Reschedule.**
13. Christine Ensminger- Christine is appearing for the RN examination application. Christine graduated from Medtech in 2013. Christine has never passed the RN NLCEX examination. Christine graduated in 2013 and currently is an LPN and an active LPN. Graduated from medtech greenwood location. Christine has not attempted the RN NCLEX at all because she was not aware her degree at the time made her eligible to be an RN. Completed LPN program at Medtech then transferred into AS program through them. The transcripts conferred date and the Certificate of Completion for the LPN dates match. The transcripts do not look like an RN transcript. Recommendation to deny and go back to an RN nursing school.
14. Kathryn Ann Arnold- Kathryn is appearing for the RN reinstatement application. Kathryn's RN license expired in 2013. Kathryn does not hold any other out of state license. Job did not require the nursing role anymore. Life happened. Received refresher letter 08/22. But, also had a PA in 2016. The refresher course was given to her in 2016 and 2022. The refresher course with clinical component is still not completed. Recommendation to do the review course, test, refresher course with clinical component. Let the minutes reflect – refresher course needs to be done after the review and the test. ALJ wants brand new refresher course with clinical component.
15. Crystal Winchester- Crystal is appearing for the RN reinstatement application. Crystal answered yes to #3. Crystal plead guilty to three counts of Neglect of Dependent, level 6 felony and three counts of obstruction of justice, a level 6 felony. The children were taken from her care. The children are now back in her care. Winchester was in two previous bad relationships. One of the significant others does not have custody of the children. She was also separated from her husband and was newly married when children were taken away. A report was made to CPS based off of neglect. The charges were against Winchester and the husband. The condition of the home is the reason why CPS was called. Pet waste is the reason she's saying the children were taken for three years. The husband did plead guilty as well. She is currently on probation for 908 days. She last practiced as a nurse in 2021. Currently, in therapy and on medication for bipolar disorder. Recommendation to reinstate the license onto probation for not less than 30 months or the length of the criminal probation, whichever is longest. Signed board order for self and employer, quarterly reports, 12 months active practice prior to request off probation. Updated demographics / workplace discipline/contact information. Undergo a mental health evaluation, MMPI-2, or equivalent, submit the results to the Board and follow all recommendations. The evaluation should be completed within six (6) months of Applicant's application to withdraw probation. Refresher course with clinical component prior to practice. 36 hours of continuing education 12 in self-care 12 in professionalism, 12 in patient rights for a total of 36 hours. Aggravating factors - serious offense/ current term of criminal probation/difficulty to recall the dates and timelines of these events that affected her personally/ concerns about timeline to rectify this matter for her children to be returned home/repetitive concerns about home and safety. Mitigating factors

attained stable housing/ denied substance abuse problem/ currently in therapy/ willing to participate in process to reinstate her license/ is trying hard to regain her life back.

16. Lynedra D. Howard- VACATED

17. Alexis S. Bynum- Alexis is appearing for the RN examination application. Alexis graduated from Medtech 07/01/2014. Alexis has not passed the RN examination. Had house party in 2002 and was charged with minor contributing. Alexis was also a minor. Unsupervised probation and never in trouble since then. Alexis applied for the RN with the incorrect graduation date. Alexis will actually be graduating this year DEC 24. Recommendation to allow to test and issue the license free and clear.

18. Dawn Michele Cassady-CONTINUED

19. Stephani R. Merrell- VACATED

20. Coresha Aberdeen- Coresha is appearing for the LPN reinstatement application. No disclosures on the 2022 LPN renewal or the 2024 LPN renewal. Had three no shows for a PA on the LPN compact. Arrest in 2022 for her two twin daughters. They fled the house they were in and Coreshea was charged with kidnapping her daughters. The daughters fled to IL just to see their mom. The custody of the children went to her dad when she started LPN school. The twin girls are 17 and should be coming home to live with her next year. The children were placed with the grandparents 13 years ago. And then when they tried to come back to mom they were given back to the grandparents. Coreshea was pulled over previously and failed a breathalyzer in the past. Recommendation to renew and refer to the OAG.

XXI. Adjournment

Adjourned at 7:35pm.

Upcoming Board Meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>ALJ/Full</u>	<u>Location</u>
January 2, 2025	ALJ	Virtual
January 16, 2025	Full	Conference Room B+C