

MINNESOTA BOARD OF NURSING
MEETING MINUTES
August 3, 2023

President Laura Elseth called the meeting to order 8:37 a.m. on August 3, 2023, at 335 Randolph Ave, St. Paul, Minnesota. The meeting was hybrid, conducted in person and virtually. A roll call of Board members was taken and a quorum declared. All votes were recorded by roll call.

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Katlynn Berntson Laura Elseth Summer Hagy Lynette How Shaunequa James (virtual) Katherine Lynch Jessica Miehe Joseph Owen Rui Pina Maria Tran (virtual)	Rhonda Johnson Latasha Lee Jacqueline Lloyd Cunningham Sarah Simons
<u>Staff (present at various times)</u>	
Madelyn Barber Judy Berger Krystle Conley Stephanie Cook JaCinda Downs Mariclaire England Lynne Haggard Georgette Herbert Lajeana Iverson Marilyn Krasowski	Leslie Larson Andrea McCusker Sheryl Meyer Jessica Pariona Neya Phan Theresa Reichel Kate Reimers Angela Serfling Deb Topham Melissa Wolfe Katie Wood
<u>Legal Counsel</u>	
Hans Anderson, AAG	

Mission Statement

R. Pina read the Board mission statement to remind members of the Board's purpose, "The mission of the Minnesota Board of Nursing is to protect the public's health and safety through regulation of nursing education, licensure and practice."

Approval of Board Meeting Agenda

Motion made by R. Pina, seconded by K. Lynch, to approve the August 3, 2023, meeting agenda.

Vote: Yes – 9 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina, Tran)
No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent- 5 (Johnson, James, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried

President's Report

President Elseth previously submitted a governing timeline in lieu of a written president's report, for review by board members. L. Elseth asked board members for questions or discussion; there were none.

Interim Executive Director Report

Kristin Batson introduced the two new directors, Megan Leach, Director of Research and Public Relations, and Debra Topham, Director of Practice and Compliance. K. Batson gave an update on licensure, education, and nurse practice departments. K. Batson reviewed a slide showing open nurse practice cases from July 1, 2022 to August 1, 2023. Licensing is predicting that by September 2023 applications will be processed within 1-2 weeks. K. Batson highlighted three pieces of legislation including omnibus bill enacted July 1, 2023, as part of the education omnibus bill.

1. Allow schools to have two doses of naloxone on site. The Department of Health is the lead agency overseeing the implementation of this bill.
2. Legalization of adult use and possession of cannabis
3. Nurse and Patient Safety Act provides for additional educational loan forgiveness provisions, additional violence prevention requirements for hospitals, and the department of health to publish a report on the reason nurses are leaving the profession. The Board of Nursing is to provide data for the report.

K Batson informed board members there are two open board member positions: a long-term care RN position and an RN with teaching experience in an associate degree nursing education program.

Continuing Program Approval of Accredited Programs

Motion made by K. Lynch, seconded by L. How, that the board grant continuing approval to the following programs that comply with Minn. Rule 6301.2360 including subparts 2 and 3.

- College of Saint Benedict/Saint John's University Doctor of Nursing Advanced Practice Nursing Program
- Crown College Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program

- Rasmussen University Master’s Degree Advanced Practice Nursing Program
- Rasmussen University Post-Graduate Advanced Practice Certificate Program
- Winona State University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program
- Winona State University Doctor of Nursing Advanced Practice Nursing Program
- Winona State University Master’s Degree Advanced Practice Nursing Program
- Winona State University Post-Graduate Advanced Practice Certificate Program

Vote: Yes – 10 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, James, Lynch, Mieke, Owen, Pina, Tran)
 No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent- 4 (Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)

Motion Carried
 Attachment IV.A

Summary of Plans for Corrective Action for 2022 Below Minimum Standard NCLEX Success Rate

Dr. Krasowski gave a PowerPoint presentation on a summary of plans for corrective action for 2022 below minimum standard NCLEX success rates.

Attachments IV.B

Motion by L. Elseth,, seconded by K. Berntson, to accept the Summary of Plans for Corrective Action for 2022 Below Minimum Standard NCLEX Success Rate.

Vote: Yes – 10 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, James, Lynch, Mieke, Owen, Pina, Tran)
 No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent- 4 (Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)

Motion Carried

Executive Committee – Executive Director Search

President Elseth stated the executive director search committee will start to meet after this board meeting. The committee will review the job description and bring edits/modifications for full board approval at the October board meeting. The position will be posted after the October board meeting with interviews to follow.

Board Member Development

1. Kim Navarre, HPSP Program Director, and Dr. Sheila Specker, University of Minnesota physician addiction psychiatrist, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the new Minnesota cannabis law.

2. Jim Cleghorn, NCSBN Director, Member Engagement and Government Affairs, gave a PowerPoint Presentation on the NCSBN Discipline Pathway including Board action pathway.

President Elseth asked for a motion to be made for the complaint resolution committee to review the NCSBN discipline pathway and make it applicable to the Minnesota Board of Nursing Nurse Practice Act.

Motion by L. How, seconded by R. Pina, to charge the complaint resolution committee with review of the NCSBN discipline pathway and tailor it to make it more applicable to the Board.

Vote: Yes – 9 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina, Tran)
 No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent- 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried

Consent Agenda

Agenda Item	Attachment
Board Meeting Minutes: June 1, 2023	III.A
Financial Reports: Receipts FY23 Manager’s May-June 2023 & FY24	III.B.1 III.B.2, III.B.3
Licensure Statistics: May-June 2023	III.C
Disposition of Complaints: May-June 2023	III.D
HPSP Statistics Q4 FY23	III.E
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes: July 14, 2023	III.F

Motion made by L. How, seconded by L. Elseth, to accept the consent agenda.

Vote: Yes – 9 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina, Tran)
 No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent- 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried

Public Comment

One public comment was heard.

Core Value - Accountability

President Elseth led board members in a reflection on the core value of accountability - committing to public safety.

Recess

President Elseth declared a recess at 11:56 a.m.

Closed Session

President Laura Elseth re-convened the meeting in closed session at 1:17 p.m. and declared a quorum present.

Board Members	Board Members - Roll Call	MBN Staff Members – Roll Call	Legal Counsel – Roll Call
Katlynn Berntson	Present	Marilyn Krasowski	Nick Lienesch
Laura Elseth	Present	Stephen Shaffer	Hans Anderson
Summer Hagy	Present	Stephanie Cook	Erin Farmer
Lynette How	Present	Mariclaire England	
Shaunequa James	Absent	Andrea McCusker	
Rhonda Johnson	Absent	Angela Serfling	
Latasha Lee	Absent	Leslie Larson	
Jacqueline Lloyd Cunningham	Absent	Jessica Pariona	
Katherine Lynch	Present	Kate Reimers	
Jessica Mieke	Present	Theresa Reichel	
Joseph Owen	Present	Krystle Conley	
Rui Pina	Present	JaCinda Downs	
Sarah Simons	Absent	Debra Topham	
Maria Tran	Present	Megan Leach	
		Judy Berger	
		Kristin Batson	

The Board considered the following Stipulation and Consent Order Consent Agenda:

1. Margie R. Scholler, RN 1615944 – Stayed Suspension (Katherine Lynch)
2. Mande M. S. Sedlacek, RN 1866557 – Suspension (Rui Pina)
3. Tamara A. Kappauf, RN 1061938 – Voluntary Surrender (Laura Elseth)
4. Jane E. Feldmann, RN Applicant – Denial, Reprimand, Civil Penalty (Katherine Lynch)
5. Nita J. Zwilling, LPN 454737 – Voluntary Surrender (Rhonda Johnson)
6. Anne M. LeClaire, RN 2464635 – Voluntary Surrender (Rhonda Johnson)
7. Kristine E. Crenshaw, RN 2320513 – Reprimand, Civil Penalty (Laura Elseth)

8. Tanya J. M. Siltanen, RN 2199207 – Stayed Suspension (Robert Muster)
9. Brittany N. Hinz-Henry, RN 2477831, LPN 818770 – Reprimand, Civil Penalty, Conditions (Robert Muster)
10. Jean A. Thomas, RN 1837926, LPN 413626 – Reprimand, Civil Penalty (Rui Pina)
11. Dovey G. Jahn, LPN 818002 – Voluntary Surrender (Katlynn Berntson)
12. Olufemi G. Ekiola, RN 2495394 – Stayed Suspension, Limitations, Conditions (Rui Pina)
13. Danielle L. Ferkingstad (a/k/a Danielle Golden), APRN 1747, RN 1482203 – Civil Penalty (Katherine Lynch)
14. Liza M. Hagen, LPN 750677 – Stayed Suspension (Laura Elseth)
15. Marin R. Herndon, RN 1792511, LPN 852531 – Reprimand, Civil Penalty, Limitations, Conditions (Katlynn Berntson)
16. Nikkita C. Huckell, RN 2459520 – Stayed Suspension, Limitations, Conditions (Laura Elseth)
17. Francesca M. Staupe, RN 2462367 – Stayed Suspension (Laura Elseth)
18. Winifred N. Azumah, RN 1392144 – Civil Penalty, Stayed Suspension, Limitations, Conditions (Sarah Simons)

Motion by Katlynn Berntson, seconded by Katherine Lynch, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order Consent Agenda. Vote was by roll call.

Roll Call Vote:

Board Member	YES	NO	ABSTAINED FROM	ABSENT
Katlynn Berntson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Laura Elseth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hinz-Henry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Summer Hagy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Lynette How	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Shaunequa James	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rhonda Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Latasha Lee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jacqueline Lloyd Cunningham	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Katherine Lynch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jessica Miehe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Joseph Owen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Rui Pina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Sarah Simons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Maria Tran	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstained from all	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion Carried

The Board considered the following Petition Consent Agenda:

1. Princess Miles, LPN 821950 – Conditions (Becky Gladis)
2. Emran Mohammad, RN 2076553, APRN-CNP 457 – Rescind, Reinstate, Stayed Suspension (Rui Pina)

Motion by Katlynn Berntson, seconded by Joseph Owen, that the Board adopt the Petition Consent Agenda. Vote was by roll call.

Roll Call Vote:

Board Member	YES	NO	ABSTAINED FROM	ABSENT
Katlynn Berntson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Laura Elseth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summer Hagy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Lynette How	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Shaunequa James	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rhonda Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Latasha Lee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jacqueline Lloyd Cunningham	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Katherine Lynch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jessica Miehe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Joseph Owen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Rui Pina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Sarah Simons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Maria Tran	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Miles & Mohammad	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion Carried

The Board considered the following matters on the Discussion Agenda (Petitions):

1. Rachel E. Angerman, RN 2209799, LPN 564180 – Reinstate, Stayed Suspension, Limitation, Conditions (Sarah Simons).

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the reinstatement, stayed suspension, limitations, and conditions of Rachel E. Angerman’s petition for reinstatement for her nursing licenses.

Motion by Rui Pina, seconded by Katlynn Berntson, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order for Reinstatement. Vote was by roll call.

Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 6 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons, Tran)
Motion Carried

2. Amber L. Mees (a/k/a Fandel), LPN 786748 – Conditions (Mary Squires)

The Board reviewed a petition to accept the removal of conditions on Amber L. Mees (a/k/a Fandel)'s license to practice practical nursing.

Motion by Rui Pina, seconded by Katherine Lynch, that the Board accept the Petition. Vote was by roll call.

Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 6 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons, Tran)
Motion Carried

The Board considered the following matters on the Discussion Agenda (Stipulation and Consent Orders):

1. Derek C. Dickinson, RN 2073190, LPN 699408 – Rescind, Voluntary Surrender (Laura Elseth)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the voluntary surrender of Derek C. Dickinson's practical nurse license.

Motion by Rui Pina, seconded by Katlynn Berntson, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Tran); Absent – 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried

2. Amy M. Schmidt, RN 1822397, LPN 487270 – Stayed Suspension, Limitations, Conditions (Katherine Lynch)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the stayed suspension, limitations, and conditions of Amy M. Schmidt's practical nurse license.

Motion by Rui Pina, seconded by Laura Elseth, that the Board reject the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

**Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Mieke, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Tran); Absent – 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried**

3. Tammie J. Porras, APRN 2864, RN 1554089 – Rescind April 2, 2020, SCO, RN license - Unencumbered, APRN license - Reinstate, Limitations, Conditions (Rui Pina)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the un-encumbrance of the registered nurse license, and reinstate with limitations, and conditions of Tammie J. Porras’s advanced practice registered nurse license.

Motion by Katherine Lynch, seconded by Jessica Mieke, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

**Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Mieke, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Tran); Absent – 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried**

4. Jodi L. Diercks, RN 1755189, LPN 588425 – Suspension (Katherine Lynch)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the suspension of Jodi L. Diercks’s registered nurse license.

Motion by Katlynn Berntson, seconded by Jessica Mieke, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

**Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Mieke, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Tran); Absent – 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried**

5. Kathleen D. Lind, RN 1238033, LPN 416005 – Voluntary Surrender (Katherine Lynch)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the voluntary surrender of Kathleen D. Lind’s professional and practical nurse licenses.

Motion by Rui Pina, seconded by Katlynn Berntson, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

**Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Tran); Absent – 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried**

6. Cathleen R. Lorenzen, LPN 528579 – Reprimand, Civil Penalty (Laura Elseth)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the reprimand and civil penalty of Cathleen R. Lorenzen’s practical nurse license.

Motion by Rui Pina, seconded by Summer Hagy, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

**Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Tran); Absent – 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried**

7. Regina C. Donovan, Applicant – Reprimand, Civil Penalty (Sarah Simons)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the reprimand and civil penalty of Regina C. Donovan’s practical nurse license by endorsement.

Motion by Katlynn Berntson, seconded by Rui Pina, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

**Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina)
No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Tran); Absent – 5 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons)
Motion Carried**

8. Holly J. Ravelo, Applicant – Denial (Rui Pina)

The Board reviewed a proposed Stipulation and Consent Order to accept the denial of Holly J. Ravelo’s professional registered nurse license by endorsement.

Motion by Katherine Lynch, seconded by Katlynn Berntson, that the Board adopt the Stipulation and Consent Order. Vote was by roll call.

Vote: Yes – 8 (Berntson, Elseth, Hagy, How, Lynch, Miehe, Owen, Pina)


No – 0; Abstain – 0; Absent – 6 (James, Johnson, Lee, Lloyd Cunningham, Simons, Tran)

Motion Carried

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Recorder: _____


KRISTIN BATSON
Interim Executive Director

Attest: _____


LAURA ELSETH
President