

Board of Dietetics and Nutrition Practice
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Board Minutes
October 6, 2020

Board Members Present: Chair Rebecca Fliszar, Samuel Ankrah, Donna Gjesvold, Margaret Schreiner, Marcie Vaske, Lea Wetzell

Also Attending: Ruth Grendahl, ED/ Anna Hartsel, Admin Specialist/Hans Anderson, AGG

Quorum - The meeting was called to order by Chair Fliszar at noon in Conference A, 2829 University Avenue SE, #402, Minneapolis, MN. A quorum was declared.

Agenda - Motion to approve the agenda by Schreiner, seconded by Wetzell; motion carried. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Minutes - Motion to approve the February 4, 2020 minutes by Wetzell, seconded by Vaske; motion carried. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Licenses Issued - Grendahl presented the recently approved applicants, granting dietitian and nutritionist licensure from February 5, 2020 to October 6, 2020. All applicants provided fully completed applications, appropriate fees, and required documentation. Based on review of the applications, Grendahl directed that licenses be issued as authorized by the full board. Motion by Schreiner, seconded by Wetzell to accept the licensure report; motion carried. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Dietitians (78) Reinstatements (11) Nutritionists (4)

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4302 Blum, Sydney	4329 Andromalos, Laura	4356 Palmer, Monica
4303 Girgen, Kayla	4330 Busse, Denise	4357 Pettit, Lindsey
4304 Menzel, Sarah	4331 Fuhrman, Samantha	4358 Raser, Lacey
4305 Velarde, Elena	4332 Janzen, Anne	4359 Schimek, Regina
4306 Malloy, Jessica	4333 Kenny, Adrianne	4360 Snoke, Ashley
4307 Poole, Julie	4334 Myers, Justine	4361 Thompson, Keith
4308 Petr, Jane	4335 Sharkey, Hannah	4362 Rogers, Linda
4309 Wolfe, Mackenzie	4336 Welsch, Nicole	4363 Sherman, Katherine
4310 Cote, Morgan	4337 Cardwell, Jacey	4364 Brown, Taiya
4311 Doolittle, Kelsey	4338 Popisil, Sarah	4365 Johnson, Ashley
4312 Slaathaug, Laura	4339 Christensen, Jacob	4366 Tosca, Frances
4313 Peters, Taylor	4340 Brandt, Sarah	4367 Molstad, Halley
4314 Snyder, Hannah	4341 Monte, Meghan	4368 Bishop, Anna
4315 Krejci, Alyssa	4342 Anderson, Angelica	4369 Dannenberg, Jamie
4316 Kreins, Christine	4343 Colyer, Joyce	4370 Suha, Vincent
4317 Omundson, Taylor	4344 Grimes, Kristen	4371 Trepashko, Ella

<i>4318 Hembree, Molly</i>	<i>4345 Berg, Cassidy</i>	<i>4372 Wilson, Joleen</i>
<i>4319 Aipperspach, Lisa</i>	<i>4346 Eikmeier, Allison</i>	<i>4373 Johnson, Kelsey</i>
<i>4320 Dreist, Rachel</i>	<i>4347 Gullapuram, Akhila</i>	<i>4374 Farr, Megan</i>
<i>4321 Schmitz, Makenzie</i>	<i>4348 Thompson, Alexandria</i>	<i>4375 Williams, Carliene</i>
<i>4322 Goetz, Jennifer</i>	<i>4349 Little, Emily</i>	<i>4376 Myers, Elsie</i>
<i>4323 Krueger, Maren</i>	<i>4350 Kaufmann, Barbara</i>	<i>4377 Rahim-Sepulveda, Martina</i>
<i>4324 Sargent, Andrea</i>	<i>4351 Varshney, Sheila</i>	<i>4378 Meyer, Brenna</i>
<i>4325 Bigbee, Kelsey</i>	<i>4352 Altonen, Dillon</i>	<i>4379 Mindiola, Tracy</i>
<i>4326 Drilling, Basia</i>	<i>4353 Blenkush, Katherine</i>	
<i>4327 Klaahsen, Kristopher</i>	<i>4354 Gonzalez-Campoy, Grace</i>	
<i>4328 Studley, Sarah</i>	<i>4355 Matter, Morgan</i>	

Reinstatements – 11 LD

<i>2546 Arntson, Barbara</i>	<i>4031 Martell, Carolyn</i>	<i>2131 Weymiller, Brigitte</i>
<i>2343 Campbell, Stephanie</i>	<i>2578 Neely, Christine</i>	<i>3575 Wolles, Laura</i>
<i>3355 Johnson, Sarah</i>	<i>1287 Reynolds, Helenbeth</i>	<i>3541 Young, Madeline</i>
<i>3828 Ludwick, Megan</i>	<i>2006 Wager, Melissa</i>	

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<i>N235 Mork, Courtney</i>	<i>N237 Feehery-Alpuerto, Nicole</i>
<i>N236 Reeder, Marissa</i>	<i>N238 Neubeck, Stefani</i>

2020 License Renewal Report – 2028 Renewal Notices – 650 completed, as of October 5, 2020

By-Laws Approval – Discussion took place regarding it being a reasonable interpretation that one should be able to serve two full 4 year terms. Motion to adopt the By Laws and appoint a subcommittee for their continuous review by Schreiner, seconded by Wetzell; motion passed with Donna Gjesvold and Margaret Schreiner being appointed to the newly created subcommittee. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Review of one Nutritionist License Application – motion by Schreiner, seconded by Gjesvold to approve issuance of the reviewed applicant. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Budget Report – FY20 & FY21 Revenues/Expenditures – Grendahl reviewed FY20 revenue and expenditure financial reports. Motion to accept the financial reports by Schreiner, seconded by Wetzell; motion carried. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

FY22 Budget Discussion – Grendahl suggested one budget change item requiring legislative approval that includes all HLB’s moving MNIT costs from below the line to above the line. Motion to support the change item request by Wetzell, seconded by Ankrah; motion carried. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Telehealth Licensure Discussion – Grendahl discussed that there had been many inquiries due to COVID 19 as to whether individuals from out of state could provide continuity of care without a Minnesota license to individuals they have had in the past, but due to circumstances were no longer in their state and returned to Minnesota. The Board requested a Governor’s Executive Order (EO) to address the issue and ensure continuity of care for (1) patients who need to consult via telehealth with their regular dietitian or nutritionist in a border state before a transplant or other surgery, and (2) college students and others who have returned to Minnesota who need to consult via telehealth with their out-of-state dietitians, particularly for those with eating disorders who have built a relationship and trust with their out-of-state provider. The EO was reviewed by the Governor’s Office, but was not implemented. The Board complimented Grendahl on being pro-active in attempting to resolve this COVID 19 related challenge.

Internal Controls Self-Assessment Report – Grendahl reviewed the annual MMB Internal Controls Self-Assessment report. One issue of concern she raised was that the Board reserves have not been identified since moving to SMART for financial services and that she is working to provide the accurate amount. Motion to accept the annual report by Schreiner, seconded by Gjesvold; motion approved. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Tolerance of Violence Policy – motion to approve the policy as presented by Schreiner, seconded by Ankrah; motion approved. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Telework Policy – State employees have been directed to telework whenever possible. Board employees have been exempted for performance of some functions, but are teleworking in compliance with the directive when possible and a policy needs to be approved. Motion to adopt the policy as presented by Wetzell, seconded by Ankrah; motion approved. Roll call vote was conducted with no Nays or Abstentions of above mentioned members.

Old Business – Grendahl reported there has been no action taken regarding the Executive Director Re-Allocation. Board members expressed disappointment that no action as been taken in years despite their request and the many efforts made.

Executive Director Annual Performance Review - The Board conducted an annual performance review and determined that Grendahl performs extremely well in all position description areas. The Board certified the employee’s performance exceeds standards emphasizing great leadership, exceptional performance under difficult circumstances and works to project completion regardless of the time of day.

2021 Adopted Meeting Schedule: Feb 2, June 1, October 5

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 by Schreiner, seconded by Ankrah; motion approved.

Ruth Grendahl/Executive Director