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**Board Meeting Minutes of 7/25/2024**

<b>Board Members Present:</b>	Deena Rauch, DNP, RN – Chair Kristi Permann, RN Kara Mahannah, LPN Michelle Anderson, DNP, RN Sara Gibbons, RN Katy Rawlins, LM Troy Allbright, RN Gus Powell, APRN Andrea Roltgen, LM Cindy Hone, Public Member	<b>Division Staff:</b>	Nicki Chopski, Executive Officer, Pharm D Mark Kubinski, General Counsel Kim Aksamit, Licensing Program Manager Berk Fraser, Chief Investigator Tyler Graves, Investigator Bill Long, Investigator Frutoso Gonzalez, Investigator Pam Rebolo, Board Support Meagan Graves, Board Support
<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	Christine Main, LPN	<b>Others Present:</b>	Joan Callahan, Board Prosecutor

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Deena Rauch, DNP.

**Introductions**

This is the first Board meeting of the Board of Nursing as one Board following consolidation with the Board of Midwifery. Board members were introduced as well as Division staff.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 04/10/2024 and 04/11/2024 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

**DIVISION BUSINESS**

**Midwifery Advisory Committee:** Dr. Chopski informed the Board that members for the Midwifery Advisory Committee have been selected. Dr. Chopski stated that the role of this committee is as an advisory council to make recommendations to the Board in the area of licensure, discipline and rule making. The committee is composed of three (3) licensed midwives, one (1) physician and one (1) public member, which was the same composition of the midwifery board.

**Licensing System Update:** Dr. Chopski gave an update on the new licensure system which went into effect July 1, 2024.

**Financial Update:** A preliminary financial update was given to the Board.

**HPRP Update:** Katie Stuart provided an update of the program to the Board. Ms. Stuart stated currently there are sixty-seven (67) licensees enrolled in the program. She informed the Board they have seen a decrease in participants since COVID across all professions due to workforce shortages. She stated she expects to see the numbers increase over the next few years. Ms. Stuart spoke to the board about setting up booths at various events to get information out about the program. Ms. Stuart stated that in June, she visited all the support groups through HPRP and she provided information about Connection is the Cure and the scholarship program they are working on for HPRP. Mr. Powell asked Ms. Stuart to share the flyer with him and Ms. Rawlins asked if she could put together a presentation for the Idaho Midwifery Council.

**NCSBN Passport:** Dr. Chopski informed the Board that the National Council of State Boards of Nursing has a robust online resource called the HIVE for all Board of Nursing members. She stated that all Board members have been enrolled with a username and password.

**Board Training:** Mr. Kubinski provided training regarding the role of the Public Member.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

**Board of Nursing Policy, Position and Philosophy Statements Review:** Dr. Chopski informed the Board that the Board of Nursing webpage has a specific button for its policies and philosophy & position statements and that eighty-six (86) policies have already been updated. The following are the remainder to be retained, edited or deleted:

C. Evidence of English Proficiency: The Board discussed adding OET to the English reading, writing, and listening test. A motion was made and seconded to approve as presented with spelling correction to add OET to policy. The motion carried unanimously.

Statements Guidance Prescribing of Controlled Substances in Idaho: The Board discussed editing “Change through to thorough and PMP to PDMP”. A motion was made and seconded to approve as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Simulation of Pre-License Certification: The Board discussed changing language around the ratio numbers. A motion was made and seconded to edit as presented and have staff revise and bring it back to the Board for approval.

Best Practices For APRN Peer Review: Discussion of edits to include changing all “Advanced Practice Professional” to “Advanced Practice Registered” and changing the word “his” to “their”. The Board requested staff to also add CRNA to peer reviews. No need to bring it back to the Board.

Position Statement for Discipline: Dr. Chopski explained that this has been partially revised between 2/2012 and 2016. Research regarding the Practice Remediation Program will be done and revise this section and bring it back to the Board for review.

Education Faculty Qualification Interpretive Statement: The Board directed staff to make edits to code references as they are out of date. Staff will bring back to the Board for review.

Ethics in Nursing: The Board directed staff to verify and update if needed to current ANA Code of Ethics.

Interpretive Statement Midwife: This will be sent to the APRN and Midwifery Advisory Committees to revise their educational descriptor paragraphs. Board directed staff to remove the prohibition on nurses becoming licensed midwives.

Information on Collection and Sharing: The Board determined this statement should be retained.

Safety to Practice: The Board requested a change to add all licensees and registrants from nurses.

Philosophy of Continued Competence: The Board asked if there's an attestation. There is not. There is a rule that requires nurses to be competent. The Board directed staff to retain as written as it remains appropriate guidance on professional development.

Position Regarding Discipline: The Board agreed this is duplicative and can be struck.

Philosophy of Education: The Board requested the code citation added.

Philosophy Regarding Licensure: The rules stand on their own and this is thereby duplicative. The Board agreed to strike.

The Philosophy of Nursing Practice: The Board requests striking.

Executive Director Compensation: The Board agreed to remove in its entirety.

Executive Director Succession: Dr. Chopski stated that the Hive has a tool kit for succession which needs to be done for all boards. She stated this will need to be altered to work throughout the bureau.

**Botulinum Toxin, GLP1 Compounding & IV Hydration Discussion:** Dr. Chopski addressed the Board regarding botulinum toxin, GLP1 compounding and IV hydration and stated that this is an ongoing concern in Idaho. She stated that this subject gets more incoming phone calls to the Bureau than any other calls, mostly asking if it falls under a licensee's scope of practice. Dr. Chopski and the Board discussed lifestyle injectable algorithm that answers questions about whether a task is allowable by the scope of practice. She also stated that there is a request to create an Ad Hoc committee with two (2) representatives from the Board of Pharmacy, two (2) from the APRN-AC and the Board of Nursing, and two (2) from the Board of Medicine. This committee will create a position statement for all boards under the Health Professions Bureau. Ms. Anderson, Mr. Allbright, and Ms. Permman volunteered to be on ADHOC committee.

**Election of Board Officers:** A motion was made and seconded to elect Deena Rauch as Chair.

A motion was made and seconded to elect Kristi Permman as Vice-Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

**Conference Attendance Requests:** Ms. Anderson asked to serve as a voting delegate at the NCSBN annual meeting August 28-30, 2024. The Board supported the request.

Ms. Gibbons and Ms. Permann agreed to attend a meeting to review NCLEX test questions in October 2024. Brandy Fitchett will provide the information.

### **Executive Session**

A motion was made and seconded to enter executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) and (1)(f). The purpose of the executive session was to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law, Idaho Code § 74-106(9), to discuss documents relating to the fitness of a licensee to obtain or retain a license or registration, and to communicate with legal counsel regarding pending litigation. The vote was: Ms. Permann, aye; Ms. Hone, aye; Ms. Anderson, aye; Ms. Mahannah, aye; Ms. Gibbons, aye; Ms. Rawlins, aye; Mr. Allbright, aye; Mr. Powell, aye; Ms. Roltgen, aye; and Dr. Rauch, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to exit executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Discipline**

A motion was made and seconded to close case #1, #3 and #8. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to send an Agreement in Lieu of Discipline for case #7, #9 and #10. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to send a Stipulation and Consent Order in case #2 and #4 and to allow the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to follow the APRN committee suggestion in case #5 and #6. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to allow prosecutorial counsel to file an administrative complaint should negotiations expire or be rejected.

### **Applications**

A motion was made and seconded to approve all submitted Impact of Criminal Conviction statements. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM.

The next meeting is on 10/17/2024.