

Maryland Board of Nursing
4140 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

Open Session Board Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2020

(Conference Call-In Information: 1-240-454-0887 PIN: 161 888 5225)

Name	Title	Present	Absent
Board Members			
Gary Hicks, RN	RN Member—Nurse Clinician, Board President	X	
Gregory David Raymond, RN	RN Member—Nurse Administrator, Board Secretary		X
Emalie J. Gibbons Baker	RN Member—APRN	X	
Charles Neustadt	Consumer Member	X	
Ann Turner, RN	RN Member—Acute Care	X	
Damare Vickers, LPN	LPN Member	X	
Jocelyn Lyn-Kew, LPN	LPN Member	X	
Mariah Dillon, RN	RN Member—APRN	X	
Jenell Steele, RN	Licensed Nurse Member	X	
M. Dawne Hayward, RN	RN Member—Delegating Nurse	X	
Laura V. Polk, Ph.D., RN	RN Member—Associate Degree Nursing Educator		X
Jennette Logan, DNP, RN	RN Member—Baccalaureate Nursing Educator	X	
Audrey Cassidy	Consumer Member	X	
Board Counsel			
Katherine Giblin	AAG	X	
Lindsey Snyder	AAG	X	
Michael Conti	AAG	X	
Board Staff			
Karen E. B. Evans, MSN, RN-BC	Executive Director	X	
Rhonda Scott	Director of Discipline and Compliance/ Deputy Director	X	
Ciara Lee	Executive Assistant	X	
Karen M. Brown	PIA Coordinator		X
Lakia Jackson	Paralegal	X	
Vacant	Director of Legislative Affairs		
Amber Havens	Discipline and Compliance	X	
Karen Hatwood	Compliance Coordinator		X

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Patricia Kennedy, Ed.D., RN	Director of Education		X	
Dr. Sheila Green	Educational Consultant		X	
Avis Ward	Exams Coordinator			X
Vacant	Director of Licensure and Certification			
Kellie Smith	Renewals Manager		X	
Vacant	Director of Complaints and Investigations			
Monica J. Mentzer, MPH, BSN, RN	Director of Practice		X	
Vacant	Direct Entry Midwives Advisor			
Vacant	Director of Background Review			X
Tyera Sheppard, BS	Director of Administrative Services			X
Marvin R. Bell	Director of Information Technology			X
Brian Stallsmith	IT			X
Vacant	Director of Operations			
Jaray Richardson	Manager of Certification Division			X
Shetarah Goodwin	HR Liaison and Manager of Licensure			X
Sara Tongue	Investigations			X
Tonya Spruill	Safe Practice Committee			X

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Call to Order	Gary Hicks, Presiding Officer	<p>The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>A. Roll Call and declaration of quorum</p>	N/A	Motion to go into open session: Steele 2 nd : Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.
	Karen Evans, Executive Director	<p>B. Board of Nursing Updates</p> <p>1. MBON participated in 2 summit meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maryland Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission of Civil Rights <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The focus was on racial disparities and COVID-19. • Maryland Statewide Summit <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MBON provided updates concerning schools and nursing programs. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. All nursing programs, unless implementing a substantial change to their curriculum, do not need to submit anything to the MBON. 	N/A	N/A

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		<p>b. Only schools that are making a substantial change should notify MBON and Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) collectively.</p> <p>2. Pearson Vue is still doing testing for RN and CNA programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming dates are possibly in October and November. • Testing time for the NCLEX is increasing from four hours to five hours. <p>3. MBON attended the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) virtually.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One major concern that was communicated from the Nurse Practitioner Associations as well as NCBSN is having a compact for APRNs. • A vote was taken during the meeting to have the APRN compact with specific guidelines set by NCSBN. • One of the misconceptions/miscommunication is that all nurse 		

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		<p>practitioners would need to have 2080 clinical hours when they go to a new state---this only affects new graduate nurse practitioners, not any nurse practitioner that is currently practicing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New NCSBN President-Elect: Jay Douglas, Executive Director for Virginia Board of Nursing • Another NCSBN concern regarding APRN compact was federal government regulation over nurses. <p>C. Review of Open Session Minutes: (Pulled)</p>	N/A	N/A
Consent Agenda		<p><i>Items A-D were reviewed and recommended for approval by the CNA Advisory Committee and the Practice and Education Committee.</i></p> <p>A. Initial Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Training Program Seeking Board Approval: None</p> <p>B. Renewal of Approved Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Training Programs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moran Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center (CNA/GNA) 	N/A	<p>Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Steele 2nd: Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Cecil County School of Technology (CNA/GNA) 3. Center for Applied Technology North (CNA/GNA) 4. Parkside Health Occupations Program (CNA) <p>C. Approval for Faculty for Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Training Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chavon Robinson, RN (R153880) <p>D. Approval for Change or Addition of Clinical Site for Approved Certified Nursing Assistant Training Program: None</p> <p>E. Approval for Change or Addition of Clinical Site for Approved Certified Nursing Assistant Training Program: None</p>		
Education	Dr. Patricia Kennedy	<p><i>Items A-B were reviewed and recommended for approval by the Practice and Education Committee.</i></p> <p>A. Anne Arundel Community College New, Director Appointed, Denise M. Lyons, MSN, CEN, RN</p>	N/A	Motion to approve Denise Lyons as the interim Assistant Dean of Nursing at Anne Arundel Community College: Steele

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	Dr. Sheila Green	<p>B. FY 2020 Final NCLEX-RN & NCLEX-PN Reports</p> <p>C. Providing notification to and instituting regulatory requirements under COMAR 10.27.03.16-.17 for the seven schools that have not met the minimum pass rate for Maryland</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p>	<p>2nd: Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion to approve posting of the final results for 2020 on the Board's website: Steele 2nd: Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion to approve notification to schools: Steele 2nd: Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Practice and Certification	Monica Mentzer	<p><i>Items 5A-B were reviewed and recommended for approval by the Practice and Education Committee.</i></p> <p>A. Request to approve revised Application for CEU Approval Form for Electrologists to submit to the Board when seeking pre-approval of courses that are eligible for obtaining CEUs</p>	N/A	<p>Motion to approve the revised application for CEU approval for electrologists that will be posted on the</p>

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		<p>B. Request to approve the courses a nursing student at D'Youville College, Patricia H. Garman School of Nursing, Buffalo, NY: NUR 210 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan and 210 L(accompanying lab); NUR 240 Fundamentals of Nursing and NUR 240L(accompanying lab); and NUR 260 Nursing Care of the Older Adult with Chronic Conditions and NUR 260L (accompanying lab) would need to successfully complete for Initial CNA Certification by CNA Equivalency</p>	N/A	<p>Board's website: Turner 2nd: Steele Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion to approve the courses for the equivalency required for CNA certification in Maryland: Steele 2nd: Turner Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Licensure	Kellie Smith	July 2020 Monthly Statistics provided.	N/A	N/A
Legislative Affairs	Rhonda Scott	None	N/A	N/A
Direct-Entry Midwives and Electrology	Monica Mentzer	<p><i>Items A-D were reviewed and recommended for approval by the Electrology Practice Committee.</i></p> <p>A. Request to deny approval application request for 1 CEU for course "Diversity Awareness" offered by Holistic Massage Training Institute</p>	N/A	Motion to accept Committee's recommendation to

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		<p>B. Request to deny approval application request for 3 CEUs for course “Ethics in Massage Therapy” offered by Holistic Massage Training Institute</p> <p>C. Request to approve application request for 3 CEUs for course “HIV and Communicable Diseases” offered by Holistic Massage Training Institute</p> <p>D. Request to approve application request for 6 CEUs for course “The Social Media</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p>	<p>deny approval of course because it does not meet regulatory requirements: Steele 2nd: Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion to accept Committee’s recommendation to deny approval of course because it does not meet regulatory requirements: Steele 2nd: Turner Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion to accept Committee’s recommendation to pre-approve the course: Steele 2nd: Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Motion to accept Committee’s</p>

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		Marketing Conference" offered by Fred Pryor Seminars		recommendation to pre-approve course: Steele 2nd: Turner Motion passed unanimously.
Quarterly Reports	Amber Havens-Bernal Tonya Spruill Monica Mentzer Karen Evans Sara Tongue Tyera Sheppard	None	N/A	N/A
Other	Gary Hicks	MBON has filed the appeal letter to the U.S. Department of Education, specifically sent to Betsy DeVos. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no timeline as to when a decision will be made, but once a decision has been made, it will be available. 	N/A	N/A
Audience Inquiry	Mark Symancyk	Had trouble obtaining license from MBON because he needs a verification form completed and returned to MD Board of Physicians. MBOP has yet to receive his verification after multiple	Mr. Symancyk was advised to send an immediate	N/A

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	John Gavin, President, Maryland Association of Nurse Anesthetists	<p>attempts of emailing MBON regarding this issue with no response.</p> <p>Requested additional clarification regarding Maryland's collaboration of full, independent practicing Nurse Anesthetists.</p>	<p>email to ciaraj.lee@maryland.gov to address this issue.</p> <p>Ms. Karen Evans will address inquiry in an email.</p>	N/A
Adjournment	Board	President Gary Hicks walked through the written statement required by the Open Meetings Act.		At 9:50 a.m., motion to close open session pursuant to the statutory authority and reasons cited in the written statement: Steele 2 nd : Lyn-Kew Motion passed unanimously.
Summary of August 26, 2020 Closed Session pursuant to	N/A	Closed session was held from 10:05 a.m. to 4:20 p.m. at 4140 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore MD 21215. The same Board members present for the open session were present for the closed session (unless recused from a particular matter). The authority for the closed session was Md.	N/A	The Board voted to take the following actions regarding confidential matters involving applicants:

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the Open Meetings Act		<p>Code Ann., Gen. Prov. § 3-305(b)(13) in order to discuss confidential matters involving applicants for licensure/certification that are prohibited from public disclosure pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 8-303(f), Health Occ. §§ 1-401 <i>et seq.</i>, and/or Gen. Prov. § 4-333. The topics actually discussed were confidential matters involving applicants for licensure/certification.</p> <p>[During the closed session, the Board also performed quasi-judicial and administrative functions involving disciplinary matters that are not subject to the Open Meetings Act.]</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue an Intent to Deny 1 RN applicant; and • License 2 RN applicants.