

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 22, 2012

The Board Meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing was called to order by President Tish Smyer, DNSc, RN at 8:36 a.m. on Wednesday, August 22, 2012, videoconferenced at Nevada State Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way #300, Reno, NV 89502 and 2500 W. Sahara Ave., Suite 207, Las Vegas NV 89102.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tish Smyer, DNSc, RN, President  
Doreen Begley, MS, RN, Member  
Rhigel Tan, DNP, RN, APN, Member  
Sandy Halley, Consumer Member

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director  
Chris Sansom, MSN, RN Director of Operations  
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel  
Keith Marcher, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Board Counsel  
Jared Armstrong, Management Assistant  
Cyndie Souza, Management Assistant

**CALL TO ORDER** – 8:36 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Tracy Singh introduced Nicki Aaker to the Board as the new continuing education provider for the Nevada Nurses Association.

### **D. DISCIPLINE PROGRAMS**

1. Applications (initial and renewal in question)
  - a. Aba, Albert, CNA022874: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board deny the renewal application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.415 unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (26) violation of state/federal nursing law/regulation and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. **MOTION CARRIED.**
  - b. Anderson, Jackie, CNA013158: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board deny the renewal application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. **MOTION CARRIED.**
  - c. Barcher, Michael, RN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board deny the application for licensure for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal convictions, (1)(e) controlled substances and/or alcohol and (1)(m) action in another state and order the denial become part of the applicant's

ACTION

ACTION

- permanently and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies.
- ACTION MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION d. Brown, Fonda, CNA applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for certification. MOTION CARRIED.
- e. Bueno, Ariel, CNA020801: It was moved and seconded the Board deny the renewal application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.415 unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (26) violation of state/federal nursing law/regulation and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION f. Bznuni, Alla, RN applicant: Applicant was present with counsel. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for licensure. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION g. Chaparro, Catherine, LPN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for licensure and the Agreement for Probation for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(m) action in another state. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION h. Manipula, Ariel Cris, RN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for licensure. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION i. Jamerson, Charissa, LPN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for licensure. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION j. Jaynes, Norma, CNA applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for certification. MOTION CARRIED.
- k. Jones, Shene, CNA022836: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board deny the renewal application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.415 unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (26) violation of state/federal nursing law/regulation and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION l. Kaiser, Brandi, RN applicant: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board deny the application for licensure for a violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(m) action in another state and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION m. LaRoche, Alan, RN37453: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for licensure renewal. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION n. Martinez, Sara, CNA025818: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board deny the renewal application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.415 unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (26) violation of state/federal nursing law/regulation and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION o. Nam, Yoanna, LPN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for licensure. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION p. Ridge, Crystal, CNA applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for certification and order monitoring for one year to include abstinence and urine drug/alcohol screens for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal convictions. MOTION CARRIED.

- ACTION q. Rowland, Cassius, CNA applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for certification. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION r. Sahakyan, Lilit, RN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for RN licensure. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION s. Signore, Leah, CNA016589: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the renewal application for certification and the Agreement for Monitoring for violation of NRS632.320 (1)(b) criminal convictions, (1)(e) controlled substances and/or alcohol and (1)(m) previous board action. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION t. Thompson, Jessyca, CNA applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for certification and the Agreement for Monitoring for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal conviction. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION u. Volk, Samantha, CNA025545: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board deny the renewal application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.415 unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (26) violation of state/federal nursing law/regulation and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION v. Hill-Cudaback, Roi Summer, LPN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board accept the application for licensure and order that she take and successfully complete the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Nevada Nurse Practice Act course and a Board approved 30 CE legal ethics in nursing course within six (6) months or the application is automatically denied without further proceedings for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal convictions. A denial would become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.
- ACTION
2. Settlement agreements
- a. Aniton, Shatawn, RN70034: Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(e) controlled substances and/or alcohol, (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, (1)(o) failing to comply with Board order and NAC 632.890 (36) failing to comply. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- b. Miller, Sarah, APN001136, RN52950: Contract for Temporary Voluntary Surrender of License for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(e) controlled substances and/or alcohol, (1)(g) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (9) impaired practice. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- c. Comer, Tamra, RN47198: Contract for Temporary Voluntary Surrender of License for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(e) controlled substances and/or alcohol, (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.890 (9) impaired practice and (10) positive drug screen on duty. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- d. Afzal, Jane, CNA001030: Consent Agreement for Fine of \$100 Renewal Applicant for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.

- e. Brookes, Cheryl, RN13255: Consent Agreement for Fine of \$200 Renewal Applicant for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- f. Carriera-Franssen, Tracey, LPN11458: Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.890 (2) practicing beyond scope and (27) customary standards of practice. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- g. Chong, Jose, RN60465: Agreement for Fine of \$200 for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(m) action in another state. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- h. Davis, Marvella, CNA022257: Agreement for Reprimand, Fine of \$50, and classes for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.415 unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (26) violation of state/federal nursing law/regulation. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- i. Dewees, Lori, CNA006558: Consent Agreement for Fine of \$100 Renewal Applicant for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- j. Ramirez, Jose, CNA023083: Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.890 (13) confidentiality violation and (26) violation of state/federal nursing law/regulation. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- k. Smith, Priscilla, RN28997: Agreement for Fine of \$300 for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (37) practicing without an active license. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- l. Warmack, Daniel, RN58065: Agreement for Fine of \$300 for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (37) practicing without an active license. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- m. Wathen, Timothy, RN25241: Consent Agreement for Fine of \$200 Renewal Applicant for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- n. Wells, Gloria, LPN07592: Consent Agreement for Fine of \$200 Renewal Applicant for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- o. Winters, Judith, RN31666: Consent Agreement for Fine of \$200 Renewal Applicant for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- p. Wright, Karen, RN32732: Agreement for Fine of \$600 for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (37) practicing without an active license. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- q. Morrison, Carolyn, RN33297: Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.890 (33) abusing a patient and (34) neglecting a patient. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.
- r. Kiner, Lynda, RN30049: Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct, NAC 632.890 (2) practicing beyond scope, (20) inaccurate recording, falsifying and (24) failing to collaborate with health care team. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.

- s. Jimenez, Leonardo, CNA003199: Consent Agreement for Fine of \$100 Renewal Applicant for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and (1)(b) criminal conviction. Accepted under the Consent Agenda.

3. Successful completion of probation – No business

4. Reinstatement of licensure/certification – No business

5. Formal administrative hearings

- a. Dyer, James, RN11015: Respondent was present. It was moved and seconded the Board find the respondent guilty of violating NRS 632.320 (1)(g) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (36) violation of Board order. It was moved and seconded the Board revoke the respondent's license. Respondent may not apply for reinstatement for five (5) years. It was moved and seconded the Board order the disciplinary action become part of the respondent's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

- b. Lynn, Edden, CNA021483: Respondent was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board grant a continuance of this matter to the next Board meeting currently scheduled in November 2012. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

- c. Hensley, Angelita, LPN12580: Respondent was present. It was moved and seconded the Board find the respondent guilty of violating NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal conviction. It was moved and seconded the Board reprimand the respondent and order that she take and successfully complete the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Nevada Nurse Practice Act course within 60 days or the license is automatically suspended without further proceedings. It was moved and seconded the Board order the disciplinary action become part of the respondent's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

- d. Nason, Lorretta, RN42961: Respondent was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board grant a continuance of this matter to the next Board meeting currently scheduled in November 2012. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

- e. Tesser, Raewell, RN67050: Respondent was present with counsel. It was moved and seconded the Board close the complaint. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

6. Board-directed investigations

- a. Beach-Jeter, Marie, RN25624: It was moved and seconded to direct board staff to investigate. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

- b. Siraj, Selma, RN65189: It was moved and seconded to direct board staff to investigate. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

7. Ratification of staff denials – NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application

- a. Layman, Monty, RN applicant: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial of the application for licensure for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application, (1)(m) action in another state and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION

- b. Uchendu, Dumebi, RN applicant: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial of the application for licensure for

ACTION violation of NRS632.320 (1)(a) fraudulent application and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Ratification of staff denials – NRS 632.320 (1)(b) convictions

ACTION a. Heath, Sherry, CNA applicant: Applicant was present to appeal the staff denial. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial of the application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal convictions, (1)(e) controlled substances and/or alcohol and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION b. Nigussie, Mequanent, RN applicant: Applicant was present with counsel to appeal the staff denial. It was moved and seconded the Board overturn the staff denial and accept the application for licensure. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION c. Primm, Tanisha, CNA applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board overturn the staff denial and accept the application for certification. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION d. Rangel, Amanda, CNA applicant: Applicant was present to appeal the staff denial. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal convictions and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

e. Richter, Rand, CNA applicant: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial of the application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal conviction and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. Approved under the Consent Agenda.

ACTION f. Rowland, Charles, LPN applicant: Applicant was present to appeal the staff denial. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial of application for licensure for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal conviction and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

g. Thomas, Linda, CNA applicant: Applicant was not present. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial of application for certification for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal conviction and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. Approved under the Consent Agenda.

9. Special Action

ACTION a. Johnson, Ashley, LPN applicant: Applicant was present. It was moved and seconded the Board grant the request for reconsideration. It was moved and seconded the Board ratify the staff denial of application for licensure for violation of NRS 632.320 (1)(b) criminal conviction and order the denial become part of the applicant's permanent record and be published and reported to all appropriate agencies. MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – There were no public comments at the end of the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 p.m. on August 22, 2012.