



# Iowa Board of Nursing

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## CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES

November 8, 2017

3:00 PM

This electronic meeting of the Iowa Board of Nursing is being held pursuant to Iowa Code § 21.8(1), which essentially states that a governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only in circumstances where such a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and only if the governmental body complies with paragraphs "a" through "c" of this subsection. This electronic meeting is being held in the conference room of the Iowa Board of Nursing office, 400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite B, Des Moines, IA. The agenda has been posted on the Board's Website and sent electronically to those individuals subscribing to GovDelivery.

### Board in Attendance

Gwen Suntken, RN, Chairperson  
Kathryn Dolter, PhD, RN  
Mark Odden, RN  
B.J. Hoffman  
Patrick Mooney

### Board Members Excused

Nancy Kramer, RN, Vice Chairperson

### Staff

Kathy Weinberg, RN, Executive Director  
Laura Hudson, RN, Associate Director CE/Workforce  
Rhonda Ruby, RN, Iowa Nurse Assistance Program Coordinator  
Doug Bartels, Associate Director Enforcement  
Lucas Bee, Enforcement  
Diane Burkert, RN, Enforcement  
Taunya Cunningham, RN, Enforcement  
Eric Holsapple, Enforcement  
Bill Hansen, Enforcement  
Anne Ryan, RN, Enforcement  
Kris Watson, RN, Enforcement  
Sara Scott, Attorney General  
Tracey Westby, Enforcement Secretary

### Audience

Lynn Boes, INA Legal Counsel  
Lorinda Inman, INF

Gwen Suntken called the meeting to order at 3:02 PM.

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to adopt the agenda.

## LEGISLATION

Lorinda Inman and Lynn Boes representing the Iowa Nurses Foundation (INF) presented nursing workforce data.

Board members discussed the request from INF. The following points were discussed: how the funds would be allocated each year, would there be a specific surcharge. The surcharge would require an increase in fees, which would require a rule revision. It was also discussed that nurses would have to be noticed about the use

of fees for loan repayments and scholarships with a possible survey. The timeframe to file legislation is quickly approaching and there continues to be questions which need to be answered. The Board would also like to review what other states are doing.

On a motion by Mark Odden, the board voted to table the funding for the College Student Aid Commission's Nurse Loan Forgiveness Program and nursing scholarships until further study has been completed.

On the motion by Kathryn Dolter, the Board voted to adopt the proposed amendments to 152.9 and file legislation for the 2018 Legislative Session.

The amendment is as follows:

152.9 Temporary license or limited authorization.

The board may issue a temporary license to a natural person who has completed the requirements of and applied for licensure by endorsement.

The board may issue a limited authorization to a nurse to complete the clinical components of a nurse refresher course. The board shall determine the length of time a temporary license or limited authorization shall remain effective.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the board voted to approve the following Open and Closed minutes.

September 6, 2017 Conference Call  
October 4-6, 2017 Board Meeting  
October 16, 2017 Conference Call

### **ENFORCEMENT**

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to find that the criminal conviction(s) does relate to the practice of nursing. However, the following applicant has shown sufficient rehabilitation has occurred and may be licensed in the state of Iowa.

17-634 Melisa Parsons

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to find that the criminal conviction(s) does relate to the practice of nursing. However, the following applicant has shown sufficient rehabilitation has occurred and may be licensed in the state of Iowa.

17-591 Keri Flores

#### **Closed Session**

3:29 PM On a motion by Kathryn Dolter, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into closed session for pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(d), to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings; and pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 17A."

#### **Open Session**

3:48 PM On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to move into Open Session.

On a motion by Kathryn Dolter, the Board voted to find that the criminal conviction(s) does relate to the practice of nursing. However, the following applicant has shown sufficient rehabilitation has occurred and may be licensed in the state of Iowa.

17-590 Kathrine Starlin

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to find that the criminal conviction(s) does relate to the practice of nursing. However, the following applicant has shown sufficient rehabilitation has occurred and may be licensed in the state of Iowa.

17-518 Ashlyn Bailey

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to accept the Voluntary Surrenders for the following cases:

15-445 Paula Campbell

16-067 Gary Severson

16-308 Tracie Coppess

On a motion by Kathryn Dolter, the Board voted to accept the Combined Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement, and Final Order for the following cases:

15-728 Colby Giudicessi

16-065 Margarita Vorrath

16-427 Jordan Waly

17-160 James Moorehead

17-174 Laura Davis

17-380 Steven Titus

17-443 Dianna Sigmon

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the board voted to approve the Stipulated Order in the following case:

17-344 Lisa McKinney

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the board voted to accept the Confidential Orders for Evaluation in the following cases:

15-761

17-480

On a motion by Kathryn Dolter, the board voted to close the following cases for lack of probable cause:

15-069	17-044	17-397	17-477
16-236	17-071	17-403	17-481
16-371	17-074	17-407	17-503
16-419	17-166	17-410	17-519
16-470	17-170	17-411	17-527
16-565	17-177	17-414	17-539
16-640	17-189	17-418	17-553
16-641	17-232	17-419	17-557
16-660	17-236	17-458	17-572
16-679	17-249	17-464	17-574
16-714	17-292	17-465	17-587
16-718	17-310	17-466	
16-719	17-341	17-471	
16-726	17-362	17-475	
17-038	17-392	17-476	

Assistant Attorney General Sara Scott, Mark Odden and all staff members except, Kathleen Weinberg and Tracey Westby left the call.

Closed Session

3:54 PM On a motion by Kathryn Dolter, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to move into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(f), to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 17A.”

Open Session

3:56 PM On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to move into Open Session.

On a motion by Patrick Mooney, the Board voted to accept the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order for the following case:

- 16-082 Angela Mathis
- 16-179 Carmen Robey
- 17-267 Andrew Bloomquist
- 17-339 Jennifer Dare
- 17-429 Christine Weillbrenner

4:01 PM On a motion by Kathryn Dolter, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.