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**STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
Atwood Building
550 West Seventh Ave. Suite 102
Anchorage, AK
Alaska Board of Nursing Meeting Minutes
August 7 & 8, 2024**

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and in compliance with the professions of AS 44/62, Article 6, a meeting of the Board of Nursing was held in the Atwood Building 550 W. 7th Ave., Suite 102, Anchorage, AK.

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Danette Schloeder called the meeting to order at 9:02AM Wednesday, August 7, 2024.

Agenda Item 1: Roll Call

Those present constituting a quorum were Board members:

- Chair RN Member: Danette Schloeder, RN, Anchorage
- APRN Member: April Erickson, APRN, RN, Wasilla
- Public Member: Michael Collins, Wasilla
- RN Member: Lena Lafferty, RN, Anchorage

Those Absent:

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- LPN Member: Jaime Alvarez-Hi, Anchorage
- Public Member: Cheryl Payne, Wasilla
- - Vianne Smith has resigned her appointment. We thank her for her service as Secretary.

Staff present from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing:

- Patty Wolf, MSN, RNC-OB, Executive Administrator
- Kelly Olson, Nurse Consultant
- Mary Beth Latta, Administrative Assistant

Members of the Public in attendance in person or via Zoom:

- Martha Fisher, RN
- Jesica Gibbons
- Beth Farnstrom
- Teresa Lyons, APRN Alliance
- Terra Colegrove, RN
- Jason Sanders, RN
- Cristan McLain Alaska Hospital Healthcare Association
- Jennifer Heller, APRN Alliance
- Yvette Barrows, RN
- Cynthia Booher, Dean of Nursing at Charter College
- Colleen Bridge

Agenda Item 2. Ethics Disclosures:

None to report.

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Agenda Item 3: Board Activities

- Dannette has represented the BON at ANMC, discussing nursing licensure and the discipline process. It was well received. She has also participated in activities with the legislative audit with the BON. Additionally, she attended NCSBN Board meetings in May and July.
- April has attended the NCSBN APRN Round Table meeting and is a part of the Med Spa Work Group. They are working on joint regulations for med spas in Alaska.
- Patty attended the Alaska Nursing Workforce Development Meetings, provided updates to the Northwest Organization of Nurse Leaders (NWONL), provided BON updates to Alaska Nurse Practitioner Association (ANPA), and attended the NCSBN Executive Summit in June.

Agenda Item 4. Consent Agenda Items:

- Letter from J. Douglas, President of NCSBN, and a guidance letter about fraud detection from NCSBN.
- Published article about the effects of the COVID 19 pandemic on nursing program educations.

Lena Lafferty moves to accept the Consent Agenda

Review/Approve Meeting Agenda

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by Danette Schloeder, and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approve the consent agenda.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 5: Public Comment

- Beth Farnstrom expresses thanks for the Board Book and the sense of involvement is provides for those not actively present.

Agenda Item 5a: Introduction: Dean of Nursing, Charter College, Cynthia D Booher PhD,RN,DNS-CT,CNE

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- Cynthia Booher started as Dean of Nursing at Charter College 1 month ago

Agenda Item 6:

New legislation, regulation update

HB 237: TEMPORARY PERMIT FOR LAPSED NURSE LICENSE – Creates a temporary license to be issued as part of the reinstatement process for nursing licenses. Requirements for the temporary license are set by the board in regulation.

- A temporary permit is valid for 6 months and is non-renewable.
- Approximately 20 requests for temporary permits per month for reinstatements.
- The regulation number would be moved to the end of the sentence.

On a motion made by April Erickson, seconded by Lena Lafferty, and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing initiate a new regulation project to amend 12 AAC 44.320(g)(h) by approving the proposed language for public comment, unless substantive changes are made by the regulations specialist or Department of Law.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 7: Delegation Regulation regarding controlled PRN medications, change request

Presenter: Jason Sanders, BSN, RN, Crossroads Counseling and Training Services (Provides home services for adults with developmental disabilities)

- A work group was unable to be formed due to lack of availability of nursing stakeholders.
 - Requests active change rather than waiting for the group to be formed - time sensitive for at least one life
 - Requests removal of the words “other than controlled substances” 12 AAC44.965(e)

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- Review across the United States found:
 - 16 US states that do not allow PRN controlled substances delegation. 12 states do not allow under any circumstances.
 - 38 states allow, (34 of these have allowed for many years without major incidents).
- Clarifications and Suggestions:
 - “James” would not be able to live in a home by himself, his guardian lives out of state.
 - He self-administers medication with physical assistance.
 - The seizures are predictable to the extent that we know he is going to have seizures.
 - Is the medication an emergency medication- Conceivably, yes.
 - Discussed role and relevancy of 12AAC44.950, 12AAC44.955, 12AAC44.965
 - 12AAC44.950: “patient’s medical condition must be stable and predictable”.
 - 12AAC44.955, 12AAC44.950 (Specialized Nursing Duties: Assisting patients with self-medication), 12AAC44.965 (To delegate to another person the administration of routinely scheduled.... Administration of PRN medications other than controlled substances: the nurse shall first assess the patient to determine.)
 - Response:
 - James is considered as stable and predictable as possible for his condition
 - Every nursing delegation as written in the rules, comes down to a nurses’ judgement to make a call
 - Questions AK education if nurses are unable to be trusted as they are in 34 other states
 - Advisory opinion on epinephrin pens: educated vs delegated
 - This is being brought up proactively (an important factor on allowing James to return home)
 - There is not a nurse present 24/7 in this group care home
- BON, this afternoon at 2:15PM, this topic will be discussed further.

Break: 10:10AM

Return: 10:30AM

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Agenda Item 8:

APU Nursing Program update: NCLEX Passing Rates

Presenters: Staci Seagle and Lisa Moore, Assistant Professors at APU

- EPSLO (end of program student learning outcomes), see PowerPoint
- LPN completion rate 86%
- NCLEX first time pass rate 92%
- 3 separate cohorts in April: Fairbanks, Juneau, Mat-Su – 18 graduated, 3 have left the state.

ADN – Lisa Moore

- 100% of graduates are employed
- 100% pass rate
- See PowerPoint for EPSLO's
- LPN to RN bridge program starting next fall. There is already an ADN to BSN.

Agenda Item 9:

Development of Alaska Nursing Workforce Center

Presenter: Jeannie Monk, Senior Vice President

- Use a data driven approach
- About 45 across the country
- AHHA study: New Workers Needed Annually based on turnover and growth:
 - 1300 new nurses per year in Alaska
 - 105 LPNs
 - Projection: Alaska will have the largest nurse shortage by 2030 (36% shortage of RNs)
- Department of Labor data: 1,214 (20%) of RN's working in AK are not AK residents
- Alaska Nursing Workforce:
 - Helpful to unite partners across Alaska.
 - Strengthen collaboration between education programs/healthcare industry
 - Collect state level data

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- Secure funding to support initiatives across the healthcare continuum
- Examples of what is being done across the country:
 - Study unique characteristic of a state's nursing workforce
 - Promote nursing as a career
 - Strengthen employer-education connections
 - Build programs to diversify nursing workforce
 - Collect data and test solutions to nurse faculty shortages
- Expand availability of nursing work-force data
 - Data used is primarily from Department of Labor, some from hospitals
 - Data can come from: Supply Data, Demand Data, Education

Presenter: Marjie Hamburger, AHHA Director of Workforce

- Centers are established by: 501C3, BON, Hospital/Professional Association, University/AHEC, State Government
- Funded by grant funding or general funds, there are no legislation or federal funding specific for centers. Can be funded by contributions of cash or in-kind support from Center partners.
 - Average \$20 additional nursing license fee assessment upon initial license and renewal
- AHHA convening stakeholders since March 2024, well received
- June 2024- able to support cost of 10 people
- July 2024- debrief sessions and decision to move forward with developing concept
 - AHHA provides convening role and has some financial support to provide.
 - 18 months' worth of funding
- Next steps to develop AK Center: Structural and Foundational
 - Structural: Convene workgroups, determine methodology, hire consultant, name center as its own entity
 - Foundational: Vision/mission, center's responsibility, desired outcomes, funding options, decide on "home"
- BON can be involved as a stakeholder and with data collection.
- Discussion/Clarifications:
 - This is an umbrella rather than brick and mortar.
 - Additional \$20 license fee- not stating Alaska should adopt this, just that some states have funded their center through a nursing add on fee. This would require statute change
 - Annual cost for center varies greatly, each center has a different scope of work as well.

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- Still in the stakeholder status, but ready to convene work groups and hire consultant.
- Alaska APEX program is a workforce center.

Agenda Item 10: Request to the board regarding education and licensure

Presenter: Leanne Stewart, APRN

- Given the lack of certifying body, if one was to do advance pharmacology to prove they can have prescriptive authority, would this be sufficient over going back to school for aesthetics?
- The prescriptions prescribed in office are minimal and infrequent
- Not currently looking to transition to independent practice but would like ability to prescribe medications.
 - Does have DEA and frequently prescribes schedule 2 drug, is looking to prescribe schedule 3-5
- No official programs for NPs to become Aesthetic Nurse Practitioner
 - On the job training is often offered
- Clarifications/Discussion:
 - Should RN's then get to prescribe if they have taken advanced pharmacology?
 - Leanne does not hold certification for prescribing past the age of two, as a neonatal NP.
 - APRN's are bound to their own certifying body - 12AAC44.30

Agenda Item 11:

PDMP Update-

Presenter: Lisa Sherrell, PDMP Manager

- Lisa called away and is unavailable to present.
- Report will be made available to the board.

Moved up- Agenda Item 15: Brought forward due to time

Advisory Opinion updates

Presenter: Danette Schloeder, DNP, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS

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- Disciplinary sanctions for sexual misconduct
 - Danette recommendation is to retire the old advisory opinion and adopt new guidelines

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by April Erickson, and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing moves that the former Advisory Opinion for Sexual Misconduct Affecting Patients be retired and replaced with the NCSBN Practical Guidelines for boards of nursing on sexual misconduct cases.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by Lena Lafferty, and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing moves to accept that the Safety to Practice Advisory Opinion remain as it is currently.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

- Board of nursing governance guidelines documents

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- Made updates including mission, guiding principle, value of the board as was determined with updates to strategic plan this year.
- Legal advice section is no longer accurate, suggest deletion
- Board chair signing advisory opinion- new template does not require a signature- suggest deletion
- “APRN application review is delegated to the EA or to license board member”-suggest deletion
- Governance policy under advisory opinion- suggest deletion

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by April Erickson, and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing moves to accept changes to the governance guideline documents.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Lunch: 11:58AM

Return: 1:30PM

Agenda Item 12: Distance Education. Institutional Authorization.

Presenter: Tyler Eggen, Program Coordinator, Education and Early Development, Alaska Commission on Post Secondary Education (ACPE)

- Authorization Processes with Distance Education and Supervised Field Experiences
- Institutional Authorization (IA) means an institution has met standards to operate under state law
 - Separate from accreditation
- IA Responsibilities:
 - Compliance w Statutes and Regulations
 - Consumer Protections

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- Student Records
- 11 regulatory exemptions
 - SARA – allows students to gain access to distance education
 - No effect on state licensing policies
 - SARA Institutions – All states except CA have joined, 6 institutions in AK
 - 7,500 students enrolled
- Clarifications:
 - Regardless of the state (other than CA), an institution does not need oversight unless they violate SARA policy
 - This topic brought forward originally regarding concerns around clinical placements out of state
 - Institutions are required to report number of clinical placements in each state a student is in

Agenda Item 13: Proposed Regulation Changes and Updates- Setting up a work group

Presenter: Patty Wolf MSN, RNC-OB

- Was not able to start a work group due to availability of stakeholders
- Proposed delegation regulation changes, 12 AAC 44.965
 - Delegation regulation does not address APRN in outpatient setting to delegate to unlicensed personnel
 - Request to upgrade language in regulation to add different choices
 - Does not include injectable medication for ULP's except CMA
 - AK BON first step; Decision tree
 - Suggest removal of specifics in regulation, replace with "ULP's"
 - Items 12AAC44.965(a) 1 & 2 must be removed from regulation
 - For reference, NC BON delegation: Refer to decision tree, consider variables, supervision/monitoring, evaluation and feedback. WA has oversight of MA's. Some states require delegation training.
- Clarifications/Suggestions:
 - Delegating does not relieve the nurse of the responsibility of the outcome
 - Should there be a "carve out" for emergency medical drugs such as Narcan?
- Decision tree relevant to all delegation to be drafted
 - Propose definition of "complex nursing skill"

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Action Items Developed:

- Danette to Review the decision tree and develop a draft using current regulations.
- April to work with Patty on an updated draft for delegating medication administration
- Lena to research the term “complex nursing skills” and develop a proposal to bring back to the board in November. Additionally, to look for any gaps in the delegation regulations.
- Mr. Sanders has offered his assistance and research to the board.

Break foregone at the discretion of the Board

Agenda Item 14: Annual Review of National Certification Bodies per 12 AAC 44. 420.

- Reviewed 2023 ANCC Certification Data list
- No additions/deletions made to current list, updated as of May board meeting
 - List to be reviewed annually
 - Today, motion to complete annual review is needed
- Revisit at August 2025 agenda

On a motion made by April Erickson, seconded by Lena Lafferty and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the current list of certification bodies.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

Agenda Item 16:

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Review/Assign Action item Assignments and due dates for Board Members

Presenter: Danette Schloeder, DNP, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS

- Advisory Opinion: Neuro Modulator Injections for Cosmetic Purposes tentatively reassigned to April Erickson as part of her med spa work
- Advisory Opinion: Nitrous Oxide in Pediatrics, RN Role in Self -Administration Nitrous Oxide Analgesia, and RN Administration of Nitrous Oxide tasks reassigned to Danette
- Advisory opinions due to Patty by October 10
- Danette Schloeder to draft decision tree (relevant to all delegation)
- April Erickson to assist in delegation of medication administration
- Lena Lafferty to create proposed definition of “complex nursing skill”

Additional Topic:

- Lack of secretary- who would normally take minutes (including pre-populated template)
- Michael Collins nominated to take the minutes November board meeting. He agreed to take on the task.

Adjourn: 3:01PM

Thursday, August 8, 2024

Agenda Item 17:

Call to Order/Roll Call

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Danette Schloeder called the meeting to order at 9:00AM Thursday, August 8, 2024.

Agenda Item 1: Roll Call

Those present constituting a quorum were Board members:

- Chair RN Member: Danette Schloeder, RN, Anchorage

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- APRN Member: April Erickson, APRN, RN, Wasilla
- Public Member: Michael Collins, Public Member, Wasilla
- RN Member: Lena Lafferty, RN, Anchorage

Those Absent:

- LPN Member: Jaime Alvarez-Hi, Anchorage
- Public Member: Cheryl Payne, Wasilla

Staff present from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing:

- Patty Wolf, MSN, RNC-OB, Executive Administrator
- Mary Beth Latta, Administrative Assistant

Members of the Public in attendance in person or via Zoom:

- Martha Fisher, RN
- Chris Kennedy, Law Judge
- Yvette Barrows
- Ciri Vail, RN
- Elizabeth Blair, RN
- Bonnie Landis, RN
- Terra Colegrove, RN
- Jessica Gibbons, RN
- Colleen Bridge, RN
- Jennifer Heller, APRN Alliance
- Margaret Grasse, RN

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On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by Lena Lafferty, carries with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing enter into deliberative session under AS 44.62.310(d)(1) solely to make a decision in the adjudicatory proceeding:

In the matter of Alice Pauline Nanuk,

- Board Case Number 2023-001151.
- Office of Administrative Hearings Case Number 24-0238-CNA.

The parties, their attorneys, all members of the Board's staff, and all members of the public will be excluded from the deliberative session. The administrative law judge will be invited to remain with the Board during the deliberative session.

Agenda Item 18: Enter into Deliberative Session at 9:05AM

Enter into public session at: 9:20AM

Reading of the order:

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by Lena Lafferty, carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing adopts this decision in the matter of Alice Pauline Nanuk, Board Case Number 240238, CNA agency 2023001151, adopts decision as final authority AS 44.64.060e1

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by Lena Lafferty carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing enters into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing cases and reports by the investigative team, board staff is to remain with the board during executive session

Investigative Team in attendance and presenting:

Sonia Lipker

Joy Hartlieb

Karina Medina

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Christina Bon

Enter into Executive Session at 9:22AM

Enter into public session: 9:52AM

Reading of the orders:

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Kelly Bruckner**, license number 102869 pursuant to AS 08.68.276, 12 AAC 44.600(2)(C) and 12 AAC 44.610(a)(1).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the default revocation for **Zachariah Karshenas-Najafabadi**, License number 146660, pursuant to AS 08.68.276, 12 AAC 44.600 et seq., and 12 AAC 02.960.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the default revocation for **Jessica Lee**, license number NURR31364, pursuant to AS 08.68.276, 12 AAC 44.600 et seq., and 12 AAC 02.960.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Yonatan Ben-Shabat**, license number 153110 pursuant to AS 08.68.276, 12 AAC 44.600(2)(C) and 12 AAC 44.610(a)(1).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the license surrender of **Kayse Bruno**, license number 202068, pursuant to AS 08.68.270(3)(7), and 12 AAC 44.770(1)(5)(9).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		

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Danette Schloeder	X		
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On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson to accept the modification of the consent agreement for **John Hacker**, license number NURR29088 and release him from Paragraphs M. Rehabilitative Counseling, N. Psychotherapy Counseling and O. Counselor/Therapist Reports. On a roll call vote of the members, with 4 Nays, the motion failed unanimously.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty		X	
April Erickson		X	
Michael Collins		X	
Danette Schloeder		X	

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson to accept the modification of the consent agreement for **Ciri Vail**, license number NURR38390 and release her from Paragraphs N. Rehabilitative Counseling and O. Counselor Reports. On a roll call vote of the members, with 4 Nays, the motion failed unanimously.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty		X	
April Erickson		X	
Michael Collins		X	
Danette Schloeder		X	

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the voluntary surrender for **Wendy Webster**, license number 127432.

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		

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Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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Enter into Executive Session: 9:59AM

Enter into Public Session: 10:05AM

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by Michael Collins and carried with 3 Ayes and 1 recusal, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the Alternative to Probation Consent agreement for **case number 2024-000014**, pursuant to AS 08.68.270(3).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty			X
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 3 Ayes and 1 recusal, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Jennifer Bliss**, License number NURR38338, pursuant to AS 08.68.270(3)

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty			X
April Erickson	X		

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Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson, carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing enters into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing cases and reports by the investigative team, board staff is to remain with the board during executive session

Enter into Executive Session: 10:10AM

Enter into Public Session: 10:14AM

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 3 Ayes and 1 recusal, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves to accept the consent agreement for **Kristina Beeching**, License number 189352, pursuant to AS 08.68.270(7) and 12 AAC 44.770 (1) and (8).

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder			X

Agenda Item 19: Investigative and Probation Reports

- Presenter: Karina Medina, Probation Report
 - April 9, 2024-July 18, 2024:
 - 20 on probation

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- 3 released
- 2 requests before The Board
- 1 license action
- Presenter: Joy Hartlieb, Investigative Report
 - April 25, 2024-July 15, 2024
 - 80 open cases
 - 54 closed cases

Break: 10:17AM

Return: 10:36AM

Agenda Item 20: Regulation Project updates

- Presenter Patty Wolf
 - Proposed verbiage addition, “if the licensee voluntarily discloses, self-reports, and requests to participate”.
 - For clarification purposes

On a motion made by Lena Lafferty, seconded by April Erickson and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing initiate a regulations project to amend the language in 12 AAC 44.740(c) by approving the proposed language for public comment, unless substantive changes are made by the regulations specialist or Department of Law:

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Recuse/Abstain
Lena Lafferty	X		
April Erickson	X		
Michael Collins	X		
Danette Schloeder	X		

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- Presenter: Allison – English language proficiency requirements; Application requirements for applicants from Armed Forces; CNA certification process
- Application requirements for applicants from Armed Forces - Proposes:
 - Removal of “4N051 (5 Skill Level),
 - Revise with broader language
 - Open the provision
 - Include additional verbiage
 - Expand the discharge exception – include recent retirees with applicable training
 - Clarifications/Suggestions:
 - A more generic change in regulation would include an addition of an approved list of courses for Armed Service Members
 - Including additional verbiage refers to those honorably discharged
 - Military programs do not hold information as requested in (i)
 - “(i) A complete certified transcript of the applicant’s military education, mailed directly to the board from the appropriate military program”
 - Propose removal of word “mailed”; must submit proof of education
 - Not specifically from primary source
 - Discussing redundancy in (ii), “of employment”
 - Discussing moving away from notarized signatures
 - Does not certify the information
 - 12 AAC 44.810, CNA Application for Certification:
 - Define definition for “personal identification information” in (a)(1)(B)
 - Discussing removal of repetitive wording in (a)(1)(D) and (a)(1)(E)
 - Potentially limiting verbiage
 - Mirror this work to other applications
 - 12 AAC 44.845(7), “cognitively impaired” requires a definition
 - Discussing usage of word:

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- “Unique”- verbiage mirrored after the federal regulation
- “Resident”- replacement with “individual”
- “Technique”- determined not repetitive
- “Reducing the effects”- Does this cover the CNA if there are no further options, this is in reference to CNA curriculum.
- “Triage”- put on hold
- Revisit this afternoon after 3:00PM.

Adjourn for Lunch: 12:18PM

Call back to order: 1:30PM

Agenda Item 21

Licensing Reports

RN: Laura Souders, Licensing Examiner II

- RN- 22,232
- LPN- 802
- APRN- 2,415
- Preceptors- 70
- Total- 25,731
- NCLEX Pass Rates April 1, 2024-June 30, 2024:
 - UAA AAS: 100%
 - UAA BSN: 96%
 - Charter AND: 77%
 - APU ADN: 100%
 - APU LPN: 92%

CAN Licensing Report: Kelly Olson, RN, Nursing Consultant I

- 2,279 FY, quarter
- Fee waiver extended through 7/15/24
 - 285 applicants

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CNA Program updates: Kelly Olson, RN, Nursing Consultant I

- 34 State Approve Nurse Aid Training Programs
- FY 24 Quarter 4
 - 1 new instructor at UAS Ketchikan
 - 4 new instructors at Providence
 - 79.3% overall pass rate
 - No new program requests
 - Charter College, Alaska Native Medical Center, and Providence remain on provisional
 - On site reviews completed for FY24
 - All met program requirements set forth by regulations
 - Motion to recommend approval for two years
 - FY23 correction action plans to be reported at November 2024 meeting
 - 2024 self-evaluations in process and due in October for November meeting

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by Lena Lafferty and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the following State Approved Nurse Aide Training Programs be granted two-year approval (**Don Young Alaska Job Corps, Alaska Technical Center, Heritage Place, Kachemak Bay Campus/KPC, Kenai Peninsula College, Mat-Su CNA, Providence Seward Mountain Haven, SEARHC Sitka and Providence Valdez**)

Agenda Item 25: Brought forward for time purposes

Set 2025 BON meeting schedule.

- 2025 meeting dates decided:
 - February 5&6
 - April 30, May 1
 - August 6&7
 - November 5&6
- Discussion about potential alternative locations for BON meetings

Agenda Item 22

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Division Updates

Legislative Update: Glenn Saviers, Deputy Director

- NLC did not make it through the last legislative session
 - “Bill Stuffing” attempts were made
 - NLC will be reintroduced every legislative session until it passes
 - Discussion about meeting with individual legislators to correct misinformation
 - Revisit at November meeting and elect individuals to travel to Juneau for these meetings
- Two other compacts did pass this past session

Financials: Melissa Dumas, Administrative Operations Manager

FY2024 Financials are not yet complete (ended June 30). Currently available was presented to include Direct, Indirect, and total Expenditures. Additionally:

- Total Non-Investigative Cost: \$880,643
- Total Investigative Cost: \$422,780
- Nonrefundable fee on applications to change to \$200, refundable to \$100.
 - Change in licensing total fees for this period not recommended

Break 2:26PM

Return 2:45PM

Agenda Item 23: Public Comment Period

- Beth Farnstrom – Thanks for public comment. States BON has tried decision trees that have been removed due to individuals stretching their scope of practice. Suggests verbiage about “contact executive administrator at BON” and being responsible for your own actions. Thanks, BON, for all they have done for all the licenses. Informs of opportunity for volunteer hours on 8/21/24 at 10:00AM-4:00PM, drop in event with Alaska Nurses Association. Also informs of AK Nurses Association Trending Topics nursing conference in October.
- Colleen Bridge – Thanks Board and staff for public board book. States it gave renewed appreciation for workload on staff. States it made it much easier to follow along with the agenda the last two meetings.

Agenda Item 20: Regulation Project Continued

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- Reviewed updates made to verbiage as previously discussed
- Reviewed deletions from regulations as requested earlier
- Discussed adjusting references with possible removal of vendor names within regulation
 - Topic of CGFNS/International Commission on Healthcare to be revisited on another day

On a motion made by Danette Schloeder, seconded by Lena Lafferty and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing approves the proposed edits and comments from Law for regulation project 2023200163, including adopting by reference the LPN nurse practice standards from the National Association of Licensed Practical Nurse Standards

Agenda Item 24: Prioritize Board of Nursing tasks and Develop Time Frames

- Review regulation changes today in other licensing regulations
- April and Patty to discuss medication course requirements, processes and regulations
 - On November 2024 agenda
- Patty and Danette to discuss updated webpages and address definition of “abandonment”
 - Revisit in February 2025
 - Requested from outside source 3 meetings ago
- Lena to research potential options for set number of CEU’s
 - Revisit in February 2025
- Danette to bring forward information regarding education site visit requirements and plan
 - Revisit in November 2025
- One small regulation project still in progress from last meeting
- Review of final Strategic Plan 2024-27
 - Strategic Plan is posted on website
 - Strategic Plan to be a standing agenda item for each meeting
 - Communication 5B: Discussed drafting a summary of work done in meetings to publicly publish

Agenda Item 26

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- Assign/Review action items.
 - See agenda item 24
- Any further topics to cover? None
- Agenda ideas for future meetings: Discussed throughout the meeting. Nothing to add.

On a motion made by April Erickson, seconded by Lena Lafferty and carried with 4 Ayes, it was **RESOLVED** that the Alaska Board of Nursing adjourns until the next meeting on November 6 & 7, 2024.

Agenda Item 27

Chair final comments

Adjourned at 3:53PM

Respectfully submitted.

Patty Wolf MSN, RNC-OB
Executive Administrator, Alaska Board of Nursing

Signed by

Approved:
Danette Schloeder

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Danette Schloeder, DNP, RNC-OB, C-EFM, C-ONQS
Chair, Alaska Board of Nursing

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