

STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING  
NATURAL RESOURCES LAND INFORMATION OFFICE  
LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM  
3700 AIRPORT WAY, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

BOARD OF NURSING  
MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 22-24, 2008

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 Natural Resources Land Information Office, 3700 Airport Way, Large Conference Room, Fairbanks, Alaska.

**Wednesday, October 22, 2008**

**Agenda Item 1      CALL TO ORDER**

Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Those present, constituting a quorum were:

Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson, Anchorage  
Beth Farnstrom, RN, Anchorage  
Denise Ekstrom, ANP, RN, Anchorage  
Terri Olson, MSN, RN, Nurse Educator, Anchorage  
JoAnne Bell-Graves, Public Member, Juneau  
Agnes Jack, LPN, Kotzebue

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

Nancy Sanders, PhD, RN, Executive Administrator

In attendance telephonically:  
Richard Younkens, Chief Investigator  
Robert Harrington, Investigator  
Ken Weimer, Investigator  
Karen Wilke, Paralegal

## **Review of Agenda**

Agenda approved as written.

## **Introductions**

Guests present introduced themselves.

## **Ethics Report**

Denise Ekstrom reported receiving grant funding from NCSBN to attend the NCSBN delegate assembly in Nashville, TN in August. The funding is available to all Boards of Nursing as a membership benefit for NCSBN member boards. This was reviewed by Cathy Giessel Board Chair and deemed not an ethical violation.

Nancy Sanders reported receiving funding as a benefit of membership in NCSBN to attend the NCSBN delegate assembly in Nashville, TN in August. This was reviewed by Cathy Giessel Board chair and deemed not an ethical violation.

Cathy Giessel reported receiving funding as benefit of membership in NCSBN to attend the NCSBN delegate assembly in Nashville, TN in August. This was reviewed by the Governor's office and deemed not an ethical violation.

The remaining Board members in attendance reported no ethics violations since July 2008.

## **Agenda Item 2 A Consent Agenda**

**On a motion duly made by JoAnne Bell-Graves and seconded by Terri Olson, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, adopt the consent agenda items: A. 1. Review of Minutes, July 9-11, 2008 and September 12, 2008, Items A 2, A 3, and A 4.**

## **Agenda Item 2 B INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

### **Agenda Item 2 B 10 ANP Prescribing issues**

Mary Mundell, RPh, Chair of the Board of Pharmacy joined the meeting by teleconference to discuss the deletion of the ANP controlled substance prescribing authorization list, use of DEA

numbers as insurance identifiers for Advanced Nurse Practitioners, and the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) which passed the 24<sup>th</sup> Legislature. The Board of Nursing will refer calls from ANPs when asked about their DEA number for noncontrolled prescriptions to the Board of Pharmacy. The insurance industry continues to improperly request DEA numbers, instead of utilizing the National Provider Identifier (NPI), which has been established for this purpose. The new PMP will fill the gap related to the list of ANPs authorized to prescribe controlled substances. The Board of Nursing was invited to attend the informational meeting about the PMP during the Board of Pharmacy meeting to be held in February 2009 in Anchorage.

**Agenda Item 2 B 9 Nursing Compact**

Quinn Sharkey, RN from Sitka Community Hospital addressed the Board about the need for Alaska to become a compact state.

**Agenda Item 2 B Items 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 and 8**

These informational items were supplied to Board members, who did not request discussion of them.

**Agenda Item 3 ADJUDICATION/LICENSURE  
Monitoring of nurses/CNAs, Probation  
Report/Investigative/Litigation Report, Cases**

**On a motion duly made by JoAnne Bell-Graves, seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, enters into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) (2) for the purpose of reviewing the cases and reports presented by the investigative team.**

The Board entered into executive session at 9:44 a.m.

The Board came out of executive session at 11:03 a.m.

The Board recessed for a break at 11:03 a.m.

The Board reconvened from break at 11:16 a.m.

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, and seconded by JoAnne Bell-Graves, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, based upon the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing's motion and memorandum filed in support thereof, the Board finds that Darcy L. Johnson, Case No. 2306-08-003, certified nurse aid certificate # NUA A 7548, was properly served with the Accusation in this matter, that Johnson has not filed a notice of defense or requested a hearing, and that a factual basis exists for revocation of Johnson's certified nurse aide certificate.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Johnson's certified nurse aide certificate #NUA A 7548 is permanently revoked.

**On a motion duly made by Denise Ekstrom, and seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Judy A. Putt, Case No. 2356-08-003, Temporary Certified Nurse Aide certificate number NUA T 2287, hereby adopts the Consent of Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.

**On a motion duly made by JoAnne Bell-Graves, and seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Patrick M. Grieser, Case No. 2356-08-004, Temporary Certified Nurse Aide certificate number NUA T 2320, hereby adopts the Consent of Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.

**On a motion duly made by Agnes Jack, and seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of April B. Streiff, Case No. 2356-08-006, previous Certified Nurse

**Aide certificate number NUA A 9155, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by JoAnne Bell-Graves, and seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Brittany L. Gaier, Case No. 2356-08-005, Certified Nurse Aide applicant, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, and seconded by Agnes Jack, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Elyse R. McGraw, Case No. 2300-08-029, Registered Nurse License # NUR R 28620, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Denise Ekstrom, and seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Kathleen R. Ingle, Case No. 2304-08-009, RN license # NUR R 28273 and Advanced Practice license # NUR U 1020, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Teri Olson, and seconded by JoAnne Bell-Graves, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Tammy L. Eenigenburg, Case No. 2300-08-031, Registered Nurse License # NUR R 28924, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Denise Ekstrom, and seconded by Agnes Jack, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Mary G. VandenBosch, Case No. 2354-08-001, Registered Nurse applicant, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by JoAnne Bell-Graves, and seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Sheree R. Comer, Case No. 2300-08-015, Registered Nurse License # NUR R 7362, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Terri Olson, and seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Jillyn Fishback, Case No. 2300-08-024, RN License # NUR R 12638, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Terri Olson, and seconded by Agnes Jack, and carried and carried Yea 3 and Nay 2 it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Amy J. Bruner, Case No. 2300-08-023, Registered Nurse License # NUR R 19708, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson, signed all original documents related to the investigation cases.

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by JoAnne Bell-Graves, and carried unanimously,**

it was

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, enters into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) (2) for the purpose of reviewing the cases and reports presented by the paralegal.**

The Board entered into executive session at 11:31 a.m.

The Board came out of executive sessions at 11:52 a.m.

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, and seconded by JoAnne Bell-Graves, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Voluntary Surrender of Registered Nurse license # NUR R 25213, for Melissa Dawn Simpson, Case No. 2300-08-016, hereby adopts the surrender of the license.**

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, and seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**ORDERED that default is entered against Karen Barbara Wright, Case No. 2300-08-021, RN license # NUR R 21315, be revoked. Notwithstanding AS 44.62.550, the board will allow Wright to apply for reinstatement of this license within one year of the effective date of this decision, if Wright provides the board with satisfactory documentation to verify her completion of the required continuing competency activities indicated on her 2006-2008 license renewal application. In addition, Wright must meet all other requirements under AS 08.68 and 12 AAC 44 for the reinstatement of this license.**

**Under this provision, any reinstatement of this license shall be conditioned subject to:**

- 1. Payment of a civil fine in the amount of \$500 for Wright's repeated failure to respond to requests for documentation; and a**
- 2. Mandatory audit to monitor compliance with the continuing competency requirements where satisfactory documentation to verify Wright's completion of the required continuing competency activities must be**

**received and approved by the Board or its designee prior to the processing of the renewal of her registered nurse license. This audit requirement will remain until Wright's registered nurse license has been renewed subject to this requirement for two future licensing periods.**

Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson, signed all original documents related to the investigation cases.

**Agenda Item 3 F**

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, enters into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) (2) for the purpose of reviewing the application presented by the Executive Administrator.**

The Board entered into executive session at 12:03 p.m.

The Board came out of executive sessions at 12:25 p.m.

**On a motion duly made by Terri Olson, seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska declines to issue controlled substance prescribing authority to J. Dette Avalon, RN, ANP, Advanced Nurse Practitioner License # 944 until more information is available.**

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:27 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

**Agenda Item 4 PRACTICE ISSUES**

1:02 JoAnne Bell-Graves joined the Board.

**Agenda Item 4 A Proposed Regulation Changes**

The Board reviewed and discussed the NCSBN APRN Model Rules dated August 2008 and the implications of accepting this



model for possible Alaskan regulation changes of 12 ACC 44.400-490 and 12 ACC 44.500.

The Board reviewed the Consensus Model for Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Regulation: Licensure, Accreditation, Certification & Education, July 7, 2008. Cathy Giessel reported that the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Board of Directors has endorsed this paper.

The Board reviewed a presentation made at the National Council of State Boards of Nursing 2008 plenary session entitled, Self-Assessment, Self-Direction, Self-Regulation & Other Myths.

The Board recessed for a break at 3:01 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 3:15 p.m.

**Agenda Item 4      Public forum on proposed ANP regulation changes**

Guests that addressed the Board were:

Pat Senner, ANP  
Cathy Sullivan, PNP  
Peggy McMahon, PNP  
Pat Taylor, WHNP  
Margaret Baldwin, CNM  
Barb Berner, FNP  
Donna Patrick, FNP  
Jan Stables, FNP

**Agenda Item 4 B      Regulations work session**

The Board reviewed regulation revisions for out-dated regulations.

The Board recessed at 5:01 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. on April 3, 2008.

**Thursday, October 23, 2008**

**Agenda Item 1      Call to Order**

Cathy Giessel, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Those present, constituting a quorum were:

Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson, Anchorage  
Beth Farnstrom, RN, Anchorage  
Denise Ekstrom, ANP, RN, Anchorage  
Terri Olson, MSN, RN, Nurse Educator, Anchorage  
Agnes Jack, LPN, Kotzebue

Absent: Joanne Bell-Graves, Public Member, Juneau

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

Nancy Sanders, PhD, RN, Executive Administrator

### **Review the agenda**

The Board reviewed and approved the agenda with amendments.

### **Introduction of Guests**

Guests in attendance were introduced.

### **Public Forum**

Public Forum began at 9:07 a.m. The audio conference line was opened.

Patricia Senner, RN, ANP told the Board that AaNA has received calls about the question on the Registered Nurse renewal form about emotional illness. She said that some licensees are concerned about the question.

Barb Berner, FNP, via audio conference line, requested the name of published researchers on the topic of professional continued competence, discussed by the Board on Wednesday. The presentation was made at the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Delegate Assembly.

With no further public comment to be heard, the Board continued discussion of Agenda item 4 B, Regulation projects.

Public Forum ended at 9:35 a.m.

## **Agenda Item 4 C    PRACTICE Medical Assistants**

The more than 70 emails sent to the Board were reviewed and summarized as follows: there are few RNs in the rural area, health care clinics complain that they can't afford an RN, ANPs are overwhelmed with their responsibilities and fast pace required by clinics and employers, and delegation to unlicensed personnel is already being done. Dr. Sanders attended the Alaska State Medical Board meeting and was informed that they are not interested in regulating the MAs.

Extensive discussion continued by the Board.

The Board recessed for a break at 10:47 a.m.

The Board reconvened from break at 11:01 a.m.

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Terri Olson, and carried unanimously,**

**Resolved to bring back the April 3, 2008 tabled motion about delegation of injectable medications by ANPs to UAPs.**

**The tabled motion stated:**

***“A motion made by Denise Ekstrom, seconded by JoAnne Bell-Graves to include delegation of injectables by ANPs under certain delineated conditions.”***

The Board reviewed letters from Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, asking that CHAPs be excluded from this discussion. The Board clarified that CHAPs are excluded in 12 AAC 44.975 (2).

The letter from Alaska Primary Care Association, Inc. was reviewed, which was sent to ANPs and the public with the purpose of promoting lobbying of the Board to change the regulations. Letters were also received from AARP and ANPs. Some ANPs list anticoagulants and insulin as medications that they delegate to MAs, who deliver services in patient homes, without assessment by the ANP.

Letters were received from two licensees who direct a home health company; they advocated no change in the current regulations prohibiting delegation of injectable medications to MAs/UAPs.

The Board reviewed regulations related to MAs from the states of Florida, Nevada, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Maine.

Cathy Giessel discussed Alaska regulations in Department of Health and Social Services that might ensure some competency or criminal background checks for UAPs working in facilities serving Medicaid recipients. Information obtained indicates that it is up to the facility's discretion.

National Council of State Boards of Nursing discussed this issue in a Practice Consultant Call on March 25, 2008, with input from Alabama, New York, South Carolina, New Hampshire, and Colorado. All these states prohibit or limit delegation of injectable medications to MAs and other UAPs.

The Board recessed for a lunch at 12:02 p.m.

The Board reconvened from lunch at 1:00 p.m.

**Agenda Item 4 G     Medication Administration Course**

Jack Salesses addressed the Board about the CC&R Health Care Solutions medication curriculum. The curriculum was presented and the Board will review for the January 2009 meeting.

**Agenda Item 4 D     Expanded scope program reports**

Dianne Mitchell, RN, from Fairbanks Memorial Hospital, was present to provide the Board with a review of the submitted annual update on the training courses at FMH about endoscope manipulation and the PEG insertion procedure.

A written report from the Municipality of Anchorage from Cathy Feaster, MSN, ANP, the RHC Program Manager was provided. The names of the Public Health Nurses who function in the expanded role at the Reproductive Health Clinic were submitted. Cathy Feaster, MSN, ANP, is retiring and will refer the need of the annual report to Becky Schmitz who will be Acting Program Manager.

**Agenda Item 4 E     LPN scope in dialysis units**

FYI NCSBN statement reviewed.

**Agenda Item 4 C     Medical Assistants**

There was ongoing discussion of the topic, which led to a request for more information from clinicians with divergent views, at the January 2009 Board meeting. The Board requested that Jo-Anne M. Sullivan, RN, Sandy Manfred, RN, and KT Melican, RN, ANP be contacted and asked to share their views on the issue. Discussion centered on defining any “delineated conditions” under which the delegation could safely take place, and the limitation

that it be allowed only in “community-based care” in outpatient clinics.

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Terri Olson, and carried unanimously,**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska re-table the April 3, 2008 motion, pertaining to delegation of injectable medications to UAPs by ANPs, to the January 2009 Board meeting.**

**Agenda Item 4 F     Pain Advisory Opinion (NCSBN)**

The NCSBN Regulatory Implications of Pain Management Resource Pack was reviewed, as well as the Alaska Board of Nursing Advisory Opinion on the use of Controlled Substances for the Treatment of Pain by Advanced Nurse Practitioners that was adopted on June 9, 2006. The Board was assigned to compare and contrast the two opinions, for the purpose of possibly adopting Section Eleven: Regulatory Implications: the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse in the Pain Management Primary Care Role. The target date for this action is the January 2009 Board meeting.

The Board recessed for a break at 3:04 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 3:15 p.m.

**Agenda Item 6 A     EDUCATION  
AVTEC letter & discussion**

Kennan Casteel, PhD, RN, addressed the Board telephonically to share the changes Alaska Vocational and Technical Education College (AVTEC) will take to address the failure of the program to meet the 80% cumulative annual pass rate for first-time takers of the NCLEX-PN examination as required in 12 AAC 44.055. After review of the written proposed actions and discussion, a motion was made.

**On a motion duly made by Terri Olson, seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously,**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska accept the written plan submitted by AVTEC for remediation of the LPN program based on 12 AAC 44.055 (b) & (c).**

**Agenda Item 6 B**     **North Dakota refresher course**

Nancy Sanders shared the letter from CNE-Net, Continuing Nursing Education Network, about the changes in their RN Refresher Course.

**On a motion duly made by Denise Ekstrom, seconded by Agnes Jack, and carried unanimously,**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska reapproves the CNE-Net Registered Nurse Refresher Course from North Dakota.**

The letter from Nurse Refresher Program from Boise, Idaho was reviewed. Dr. Nancy Sanders will contact the program coordinator to acquire more information in regards to the clinical refresher course.

**Agenda Item 5 A**     **LICENSURE**  
**Applicant requesting exam accommodation**

Licensed Practical Nurse Applicant Jadra Alvord submitted supporting evidence to the Board to support her request for special exam accommodations in taking the NCLEX-PN.

**On a motion duly made by Terri Olson, seconded by Agnes Jack, and carried unanimously,**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska approve the request related to Jadra Dee Alvord for accommodations for NCLEX-PN testing as follows:**

- 1.     25% additional time**
- 2.     a reader**
- 3.     a separate proctor**
- 4.     a separate room.**

**Agenda Item 5 B**     **CNS registry letter/info from Maryann Alexander, NCSBN**

The concern of whether Alaska is in compliance with the CMS regulations related to certified nursing assistant certificate fee structure. Gayle Horetski, Assistant General, has reviewed the information and Alaska is in compliance. The Alaska Board of

Nursing does not levy fees for inclusion on a Certified Nurse Aide Registry, which is what the CMS regulations refer to.

**Agenda Item 4 B     Regulations work session**

The Board recessed at 5:01 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. on October 24, 2008.

**Friday, October 24, 2008**

**Agenda Item 1     Call to Order**

Cathy Giessel, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Those present, constituting a quorum were:

Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson, Anchorage  
Beth Farnstrom, RN, Anchorage  
Denise Ekstrom, ANP, RN, Anchorage  
Terri Olson, MSN, RN, Nurse Educator, Anchorage  
Agnes Jack, LPN, Kotzebue

Absent: JoAnne Bell-Graves, Public Member, Juneau

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

Nancy Sanders, PhD, RN, Executive Administrator

Telephonically:

Jun Maiquis, Regulation Specialist  
Director Mark Davis  
Chris Wyatt, Administrative Manager

**Review agenda**

The Board reviewed and adopted the agenda with amendments.

**Introduction of Guests**

Guests in attendance were introduced.

## **Public Forum**

Public Forum began at 9:05 a.m. The audio conference line was open.

Pat Senner addressed the Board to request a definition of advanced pharmacology, shared information about delegation history and request not to include the RN in IM injection delegation to UAPs. Pat related that she was aware of a death occurring at Providence Hospital related to an error by a CMA. Details were not available.

Dr. Sanders presented concerns from RNs who reinstated their licenses in August. They are required to renew at the annual renewal date in November and must meet the criteria to renew from the time that they reinstated. The statutes that define this are found in Centralized Regulations 12 AAC 02.030 (1).

Diane Tarrant expressed an interest to initiate an ANP advisory committee for the Board of Nursing.

Public Forum ended at 9:35 a.m.

## **Agenda Item 4 LICENSURE**

### **Agenda Item 4 B Regualtion Work Session**

Three checklists were reviewed to update them to our new regualtions. No action was possible due to extensive edits by Gayle Horetski, Assistant Attorney General. The checklists will be reviewed at the January 2009 Board meeting.

### **Agenda Item 4 B 1 Regualtion Work Session with Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist**

Proposed regulations were reviewed and sent to Jun Maiquis, who will draft them for review at the January 2009 Board meeting: 12 AAC 44.317(a)(5); 44.317(b)(4); 44.319(a), (b), (d), (e); 44.470(a)(3); 44.500(a)(2) & (b); 44.660; 44.770(5); 44.812(a) & (b); 44.815(d) & (e); 44.820(a) & (a) (3); 44.825(c); 44.835(c) (4) & (5); 44. 835 new (g) and re-letter; 44.855, and 44.965(b)(3).

The Board recessed for a break at 10:46 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:59 a.m.



**Agenda Item 7 GOVERNANCE/ORGANIZATION**

**Agenda Item 7 B Information & Issues update**

Director Mark Davis joined the Board telephonically. Director Davis congratulated Cathy Giessel and Nancy Sanders for their positions with the NCSBN.

Topics included:

1. removing licensees' addresses voluntarily from the Board of Nursing website
2. time delay to get reimbursements for Board of Nursing meeting can be 2 months
3. directing all license renewals to Juneau
4. TERCAP implementation limited by lack of staff. The Board will send more information so this may be budgeted for next year.
5. how to amend Centralized Regulations to allow pro-rating of annual licensure fees for those who have just reinstated by contacting the Gayle Horetski, Assistant General.
6. concerns related to the loophole for licensees to avoid providing their Social Security numbers to the Board.

**Agenda Item 7 A Budget Report**

Chris Wyatt joined the board telephonically to review the budget.

**Agenda Item 3 A ADJUDICATION/LICENSURE  
Monitoring of nurses/CNAs**

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Agnes Jack, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, enters into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) (2) for the purpose of reviewing the cases and reports presented by the investigative team.**

The Board entered into executive session at 11:34 a.m.

The Board came out of executive sessions at 11:50 a.m.

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and**

**Proposed Decision and Order, in the matter of Traci A. Phillips, Case No. 2300-08-030, Registered Nurse License number NUR R 17797, hereby adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.**

**On a motion duly made by Denise Ekstrom, seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska adopt, for chemically-dependent nurses or those with drug abuse issues, a standard 5 year probation on Consent Agreements, with the provision that the licensee could petition for early release from the Consent Agreement by presenting to the Board appropriate written documentation of successful treatment.**

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, enters into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) (2) for the purpose of reviewing a case by the paralegal.**

The Board entered into executive session at 11:57 a.m.

The Board came out of executive sessions at 12:02 p.m.

No motion was made.

Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson, signed all original documents related to the investigation cases.

The Board recessed for lunch 12:03 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:01 p.m.

**Agenda Item 7 C     ANAS Contract-Nurse Alert**

The Board regrets being in Executive Session at the appointment time of LeMay Hupp. Ms. Hupp will be contacted and invited to present at the January 2009 meeting.

**Agenda Item 7 D     Strategic Plan Adoption/Update**

A review and revision of a draft of the Strategic Plan FY2009 was begun.

**Agenda Item 7 E     Meeting Schedule 09-10**

April 8-10, 2009	Juneau
July 22-24, 2009	Anchorage
October 21-23, 2009	Fairbanks
January 20-22, 2010	Anchorage
April 7-9, 2010	Juneau

**Agenda Item 7 F     Board Handbook, table of contents**

Handbook table of contents was reviewed. Cathy Giessel, Board Chair, will compile a Board handbook for each member.

The Board recessed for a break 2:30 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 2:45 p.m.

**Agenda Item 4 B     LICENSURE Regulations**

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED that the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska add to the 2009 statute project AS 08.68.100(1) and AS 08.68.410(1) the substitution of the title Advanced Practice Registered Nurse and change “certified” to “authorized”.**

**The rationale for this is to update the advanced practice title to the nationally recommended title and to update the term “authorized” to coincide with current regulation term.**

This will be forwarded to Director Davis for inclusion with previous Statute changes offered by the Division.

**Agenda Item 8 A     Task List**

This was reviewed and assignments made. Items for the January 2009 meeting were enumerated.

**Agenda Item 8 B**      **Meeting Evaluation**

Board members completed and turned in their written meeting evaluations.

**Agenda Item 8 C**      **Meeting Review**

Board members verbally expressed what went well and what needed improvement for the next meeting. The Board agreed to have an evening work session on January 20, 2009, to prepare for the next day's meeting. This was very effective in increasing the Board's productivity at this meeting.

At future meetings, the Board will attempt to provide members with snacks. A PowerPoint projector used at this meeting effectively facilitated discussion and will be obtained for future meetings.

**On a motion duly made by Beth Farnstrom, seconded by Denise Ekstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED to adjourn until January 21, 2009 at 9a.m. in Anchorage, Alaska.**

Adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Reconvened at 4:11p.m.

**On a motion duly made by Denise Ekstrom , seconded by Beth Farnstrom, and carried unanimously, it was**

**RESOLVED to adjourn until January 20, 2009 in the evening for a work session prior to the beginning of the Board meeting scheduled for January 21, 2009 at 9 a.m.**

Adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Nancy Sanders, PhD, RN, Executive Administrator

Approved by:

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Cathy Giessel, ANP, Chairperson

Date: \_\_\_\_\_