

PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING MEETING

December 4, 2024
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of the Maine State Board of Nursing was held at the Board Office, 161 Capitol Street in Augusta, on December 4, 2024. The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. by Kathy McManus, RN – Chair.

PRESENT: Kathy McManus, RN – Chair
Shannon Gauvin, RN
Deborah Sanford, RN
Nicole Kenney, RN
Peter Sullivan, RN
Joshua Bridges, APRN
August Dow, LPN
Carla McDonnell, Public Member
Katie Warwick, Assistant Attorney General
Megan Hudson-MacRae, Assistant Attorney General

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

In a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to amend the agenda to add CPR 2024-247.

VOTE: 7 in favor, 1 absent (Peter Sullivan)

Minutes of September 11-12, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the September 11-12, 2024 Board meeting.

VOTE: 6 in favor; 1 abstained (Joshua Bridges); 1 absent (Peter Sullivan)

Minutes of the September 26, 2024 Special Board Meeting

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2024 special Board meeting.

VOTE: 5 in favor; 2 abstained (Shannon Gauvin, Joshua Bridges); 1 absent (Peter Sullivan)

COMPLAINTS/PROVIDER REPORTS

1. 2024-29

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)); 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(E)(2), for engaging in conduct that evidences a lack of knowledge or inability to apply principles or skills to carry out the practice for which the licensee is licensed; and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the licensee is licensed by violating Provision 1.5 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Relationships with Colleagues and Others."

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 absent (Peter Sullivan)

2. 2024-77

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, staying alert in the workplace and medication awareness and administration. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 abstained (Peter Sullivan)

3. 2024-79

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, safe medication administration and accurate documentation. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years. In addition, the Board voted to approve the Licensee's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse and issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

4. 2024-81

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Nicole Kenney and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

5. 2024-83

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)); and by inaccurately recording, falsifying or altering a patient or health care provider record (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(K)). The Licensee must complete, at her own expense, Nursingce.com's course entitled "Nursing Documentation: Nursing CE Course" within three (3) months of execution of the Consent Agreement and provide the Board with documentation of successful completion of the course.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

6. 2024-85

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding Provisions 1.1 and 1.2 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Respect for Human Dignity" and "Relationships with Patients." The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

7. 2024-91

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, safe medication practices. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Kathy McManus)

8. 2024-93

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by August Dow and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

9. 2024-101

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Peter Sullivan, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

10. 2024-105

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, accurate documentation. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of ten (10) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

In a further motion by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to approve the Licensee's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse and issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

11. 2024-109

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by Peter Sullivan, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

12. 2024-115

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board for failure to collect and document the relevant medical history and perform a pertinent physical examination as defined by the standard of care for the purpose of the visit, when clinically necessary, sufficient for the diagnosis and treatment of the patient (Board Rules Ch. 11, § 7). The Licensee must complete, at her own expense, a course on telehealth practice and documentation approved by the Executive Director within three (3) months of execution of the Consent Agreement and provide the Board with documentation of successful completion of the course.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

13. 2024-125

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by August Dow and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: 6 in favor; 2 recused (Kathy McManus, Shannon Gauvin)

14. 2024-127

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

15. 2024-129

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

16. 2024-131

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning and \$500 Civil Penalty to be paid upon execution of the Consent Agreement with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(H) for violating M.R.S., Title 32, Chapter 31 by practicing as a nurse, offering to practice as a nurse, or holding oneself out to the public as a licensed nurse when the individual was not licensed by the Board (32 M.R.S. § 2101).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

17. 2024-135

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Peter Sullivan and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

18. 2024-137

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

19. 2024-139

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

20. 2024-141

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)); and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the Licensee is licensed by violating Provision 3.4 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Professional Responsibility in Promoting a Culture of Safety."

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Kathy McManus)

21. 2024-143

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)); and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the Licensee is licensed by violating Provision 3.4 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Professional Responsibility in Promoting a Culture of Safety."

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

22. 2024-145

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to issue an immediate suspension of the Licensee's registered professional nurse license to practice in the state of Maine pursuant to 5 M.R.S. § 10004(3). The Board determined that the Licensee's ability to continue to practice as a registered professional nurse constitutes an immediate jeopardy to the health and safety of the public who receives nursing services and that it is necessary to immediately suspend the Licensee's license as a registered professional nurse pending a hearing in order to adequately respond to the risk. In addition, the Board voted to offer the Licensee an interim consent agreement for continued suspension of her registered professional nurse license pending final resolution of complaint 2024-145; and voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for surrender of her Maine registered professional nurse license with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), for the misuse of alcohol, drugs or other substances that has resulted or may result in the licensee performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients; and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the licensee is

licensed; specifically, for failing to comply with the conditions of probation in the May 2024 Agreement. Prior to petitioning the Board for reinstatement of her license, the Licensee must submit to the Board, along with her reinstatement application, documentation of at least twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety prior to the date of her application. Sobriety must be demonstrated by random monthly urine toxicology testing performed by the Maine Medical Professionals Health Program or a similar monitoring program pre-approved by Board's Executive Director.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

23. 2024-147

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

24. 2024-151

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs to an extent that they are preventing her from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP) or a similar monitoring program pre-approved by the Board's executive director. The Licensee must contact a provider within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition, the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

25. 2024-153

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F); specifically, the importance of maintaining patient confidentiality. The Letter of Concern will remain in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

26. 2024-155

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Joshua Bridges and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

27. 2024-159

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by August Dow and seconded by Peter Sullivan, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

28. 2024-161

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

29. 2024-163

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from a mental illness that may be interfering with the competent practice of nursing and voted to order the Licensee to undergo a fitness for practice evaluation by a licensed psychiatrist pre-approved by the Board's executive director. The Licensee must contact a provider within two (2) weeks and complete the evaluation within four (4) weeks. In addition, the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4). The Board delegated authority to the executive director to provide an extension to be seen by a provider up to four (4) months.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

30. 2024-169

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Censure and \$500.00 Civil Penalty to be paid within six (6) months of the execution of the Consent Agreement with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), by engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board for failing to safeguard the patient's dignity and right to privacy in providing services regardless of race, color, creed and status (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(I)), for violating the confidentiality of information or knowledge concerning the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(J)), for engaging in behavior that exceeds professional boundaries (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(U)); and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the licensee is licensed by violating Provisions 1.1 and 2.4 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Respect for Human Dignity" and "Professional Boundaries."

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 absent (Peter Sullivan)

31. 2024-175

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient, accurate recording in a healthcare record, and accountability for nursing judgments, decisions and actions. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 6 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford); 1 absent (Peter Sullivan)

32. 2024-181

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)), for inaccurately recording, falsifying or altering a patient or health care provider record (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(K)); and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the Licensee is licensed by violating Provision 3.4 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Professional Responsibility in Promoting a Culture of Safety." In addition, the Licensee must complete, at his own expense, the Klimes Institute's course entitled "Preventative Care: Preventing Medication Errors" and Nursingce.com's course entitled "Nursing Documentation: Nursing CE Course" within three (3) months of execution of the Consent Agreement and provide the Board with documentation of successful completion of the courses.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

33. 2024-187

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2101 which requires an individual practicing as a nurse, offering to practice as a nurse, or holding oneself out to the public as a nurse to hold an active license to practice nursing. The Letter of Concern will remain in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Deborah Sanford)

34. 2024-191

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Nicole Kenney and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning and \$500.00 Civil Penalty to be paid within three (3) months of the execution of the Consent Agreement with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), for the practice of fraud or deceit in connection with service rendered within the scope of the license issued; and

32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the Licensee is licensed by violating Provisions 5.3 and 6.1 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Preservation of Wholeness of Character" and "The Environment and Moral Virtue." In addition, the Licensee must complete, at her own expense, the American Nurses Association course entitled "Everyday Ethics: Guiding Nursing Practice" within six (6) months of execution of the Consent Agreement and provide the Board with documentation of successful completion of the course.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

35. 2024-195

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on insufficient evidence.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

36. 2024-203

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

37. 2024-205

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H); specifically, Provision 1.5 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics for Nurses, "Relationships with Colleagues and Others." The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

38. 2024-219

Pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405(6)(F), in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss information that is confidential and not subject to access by the general public pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2109 at 10:45 am.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

At 10:54 am, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

In a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs, or a mental illness, that may be interfering with the competent practice of nursing and voted to order the Licensee to undergo a mental health and substance use evaluation with toxicology screening by a licensed psychiatrist or psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner pre-approved by the Board's executive director. The Licensee must contact a provider within two (2) weeks and complete the evaluation within four (4) months. In addition, the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

39. 2024-92

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs to an extent that they are preventing her from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP) or a similar monitoring program pre-approved by the Board's executive director. The Licensee must contact MPHP within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition, the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

40. 2024-96

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Joshua Bridges and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

41. 2024-120

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs to an extent that they are preventing her from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP) or a similar monitoring program pre-approved by the Board's executive director. The Licensee must contact MPHP within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition, the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request

immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

42. 2024-126

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

43. 2024-128

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Joshua Bridges and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on insufficient evidence.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

44. 2024-130

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F); specifically, the importance of maintaining patient confidentiality. The Letter of Concern will remain in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Nicole Kenney)

45. 2024-132

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

46. 2024-134

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs to an extent that they are preventing her from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP) or a similar monitoring program pre-approved by the Board's executive director. The Licensee must contact MPHP within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition, the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request

immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

47. 2024-136

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 abstained (Joshua Bridges)

48. 2024-140

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Nicole Kenney and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs to an extent that they are preventing her from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP) or a similar monitoring program pre-approved by the Board's executive director. The Licensee must contact MPHP within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition, the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Shannon Gauvin)

49. 2024-144

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee Letters of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2101 which requires an individual practicing as a nurse, offering to practice as a nurse, or holding oneself out to the public as a nurse to hold an active license to practice nursing; and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not engage in fraud or deceit in connection with service rendered within the scope of the license issued. The Letters of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

50. 2024-146

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients, and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), the importance of adhering to the terms of her August 8, 2022 Consent Agreement. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Nicole Kenney)

51. 2024-148

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Nicole Kenney and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

52. 2024-150

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F); specifically, the importance of maintaining patient confidentiality. The Letter of Concern will remain in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

53. 2024-152

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Joshua Bridges, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F); specifically, the importance of adequate preparation and maintaining competency when assuming duties and responsibilities, and performing new nursing techniques or procedures. The Letter of Concern will remain in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Deborah Sanford)

In a further motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve the Licensee's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse and issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

54. 2024-154

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

55. 2024-158

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Peter Sullivan and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

56. 2024-160

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by violating a standard of behavior that has been established in the practice for which the licensee is licensed by refusing to provide comprehensive care to all patients, regardless of gender (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 1(A)(6)). In addition, the Licensee must complete, at his own expense, the American Nurses Association course entitled “Everyday Ethics: Guiding Nursing Practice” within three (3) months of execution of the Consent Agreement and provide the Board with documentation of successful completion of the courses.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Shannon Gauvin)

57. 2024-164

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Carla McDonnell and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Deborah Sanford)

58. 2024-166

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F); specifically, the importance of maintaining patient confidentiality. The Letter of Concern will remain in the Licensee’s file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Nicole Kenney)

59. 2024-168

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

60. 2024-170

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Joshua Bridges, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint based on no violation of the Law Regulating the Practice of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

61. 2024-178

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, patient safety. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

62. 2024-182

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, mandatory reporting requirements. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

63. 2024-184

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)), and for abandoning or neglecting a patient requiring nursing care (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(G)). In addition, the Licensee must complete, at her own expense, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing course entitled "Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing" within three (3) months of execution of the Consent Agreement and provide the Board with documentation of successful completion of the course.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Kathy McManus)

64. 2024-186

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Peter Sullivan, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, appropriate and timely documentation. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

65. 2024-192

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee Letters of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients, and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letters of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

66. 2024-202

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Peter Sullivan, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for surrender of her Maine practical nurse license with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board for failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)), and for inaccurately recording, falsifying or altering a patient or health care provider record (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(K)).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

67. 2024-204

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for revocation of his "privilege to practice" as a registered professional nurse in the state of Maine, with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), for the misuse of alcohol, drugs, or other substances that may result in the licensee performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients; 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board for failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)), and for inaccurately recording, falsifying or altering a patient or health care provider record (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(K)).

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

68. 2024-206

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Joshua Bridges, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for revocation of her "privilege to practice" as a registered professional nurse in the state of Maine, with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), for the misuse of alcohol, drugs, or other substances that may result in the licensee performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients; 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board for failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the

patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)), and for inaccurately recording, falsifying or altering a patient or health care provider record (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(K)).

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

69. 2024-247

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue an immediate suspension of the Licensee's registered professional nurse license to practice in the state of Maine pursuant to 5 M.R.S. § 10004(3). The Board determined that the Licensee's ability to continue to practice as a registered professional nurse constitutes an immediate jeopardy to the health and safety of the public who receives nursing services and that it is necessary to immediately suspend the Licensee's license as a registered professional nurse pending a hearing in order to adequately respond to the risk. In addition, the Board voted to offer the Licensee an interim consent agreement for continued suspension of her registered professional nurse license to practice in the state of Maine pending final resolution of complaint 2024-247; and voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for surrender of her Maine registered professional nurse license with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), for the misuse of alcohol, drugs or other substances that has resulted or may result in the licensee performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients; 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by practicing nursing when physical or mental ability to practice is impaired by alcohol or drugs (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(O)); and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), for engaging in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which the licensee is licensed; specifically, Provisions 1.2 and 3.6 of the American Nurses Association's Code of Ethics, "Relationships with Patients" and "Patient Protection and Impaired Practice." Prior to petitioning the Board for reinstatement of her license, the Licensee must submit to the Board, along with her reinstatement application, documentation of at least twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety prior to the date of her application. Sobriety must be demonstrated by random monthly urine toxicology testing performed by the Maine Medical Professionals Health Program or a similar monitoring program pre-approved by Board's Executive Director.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Nicholas Rishe – RE Board Tabled Pending Additional Information

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve Mr. Rishe's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by examination. In addition, the Board voted to issue Mr. Rishe a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

2. 2022-1

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to rescind the previously offered consent agreement for the surrender of the Licensee's registered professional nurse license.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

3. 2023-227

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to table the complaint pending receipt and review of additional information.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

4. 2023-233

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to rescind the previously offered Consent Agreement and issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of ten (10) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

5. 2024-5

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Censure and Probation for a period of three (3) years of nursing employment and/or enrollment in a nursing education program with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)); and by inaccurately recording, falsifying or altering a patient or health care provider record (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(K)). The probation must include structured settings and on-site supervision by another RN (same unit), quarterly nurse supervisor reports sent to the Board's Probation Compliance Officer, no multi-state privilege, and a requirement that the Licensee show the agreement to any employers.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

6. 2021-47 & 2024-35

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to rescind the previously offered consent agreement in case

2021-47 and offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning and Probation for a period of one (1) year of nursing employment and/or enrollment in a nursing education program with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), for the misuse of alcohol, drugs, or other substances that may result in the licensee performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients; and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F) & (H), for engaging in unprofessional conduct as defined by the Board and violating a rule of the Board by failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(F)), and for practicing nursing when unfit to perform procedures and make decisions in accordance with the license held because of physical, psychological or mental impediment (Board Rules Ch. 4, § 3(N)). The probation must include structured settings and on-site supervision by another RN (same unit), enrollment and compliance with the Medical Professionals Health Program monitoring program or a similar monitoring program preapproved by the Board or the Board's Executive Director, quarterly nurse supervisor and treatment provider reports sent to the Board's Probation Compliance Officer, no multi-state privilege, and a requirement that the Licensee show the agreement to any employers. In addition, the Board voted to direct Board staff to renew the license upon execution of the consent agreement.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

7. 2024-55

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(F), including the importance of following policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient; specifically, safe medication administration. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

8. 2024-67

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

9. Sandra Picard, CNP – RE 3/6/23 Application for Renewal as an Active Certified Nurse Practitioner

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to preliminarily deny Ms. Picard's application for renewal of license as a certified nurse practitioner and offer Ms. Picard a Consent Agreement for Warning with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. §2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an

individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license; and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(H), for a violation of a rule adopted by the Board, specifically, for failing to complete during the 2-year period of licensure a minimum of 50 contact hours of continuing education in nursing, medicine or allied health in the practice for which the individual has been licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse (Board Rules Ch. 8 § 8(1)(A)) and 3 contact hours of Category I continuing education on the prescribing of opioid medication” (Board Rules Ch. 8 § 8(1)(B)). The Licensee must provide documentation of successful completion of the required continuing education for the 2021-2023 renewal cycle within three (3) months of execution of the Consent Agreement. In addition, the Licensee cannot use any continuing education contact hours that she completed for the 2021-2023 licensure period for the 2023-2025 licensure period. The Board directed Board staff to issue the license upon execution of the consent agreement.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

10. 2023-254

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to administratively close the complaint with no further action.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

11. 2024-50

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to offer the Licensee a Consent Agreement for Warning and Probation for a period of six (6) months of nursing employment and/or enrollment in a nursing education program with admission to the violation(s) 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), for the misuse of alcohol, drugs, or other substances that has resulted or may result in the licensee performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The probation must include structured settings and on-site supervision by another RN (same building), enrollment and compliance with the Medical Professionals Health Program monitoring program, quarterly nurse supervisor and treatment provider reports sent to the Board’s Probation Compliance Officer, no multi-state privilege, and a requirement that the Licensee show the agreement to any employers. In addition, the Board voted to direct the Executive Director to renew the license upon execution of the Consent Agreement and issue the Licensee a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee’s file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

12. Gilda Matzilevich, RN – RE Board Tabled Pending Additional Information

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to approve Ms. Matzilevich’s application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Matzilevich a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing

alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

13. Brittany Cullinan, RN – RE Board Tabled Pending Additional Information

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to approve Ms. Cullinan's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by endorsement. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Cullinan Letters of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license; and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letters of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

14. Shawna Dufresne, RN – RE Board Tabled Pending Additional Information

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to approve Ms. Dufresne's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Dufresne a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

15. Melanie Bailey, RN – RE Board Tabled Pending Additional Information

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Bailey's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Bailey a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

16. Christopher Galvan – RE Board Tabled Pending Additional Information

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to initiate a complaint on Mr. Galvan's privilege to practice as a registered professional nurse in the state of Maine. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs

to an extent that they are preventing him from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP). The Licensee must contact a provider within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the “privilege to practice” by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4). In addition, the Board directed Board staff to forward Mr. Galvan’s application information to the New Hampshire Board of Nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

In a further motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Peter Sullivan, the Board voted to approve Mr. Galvin’s request to withdraw his application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by examination.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

NEW BUSINESS

1. **1:00 PM** Ernest Robbins, LPN – RE 10/31/24 Request for Early Probation Termination

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve Mr. Robbins’s request for early probation termination.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

2. Meredith Belanich, LPN – RE 5/23/24 Request for Probation Termination

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve Ms. Belanich’s request for probation termination.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

3. Evan Grard, RN – RE 7/18/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Mr. Grard’s application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Mr. Grard a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee’s file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

4. Kerri Donahue, RN – RE 7/24/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Peter Sullivan, the Board voted to approve Ms. Donahue's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Donahue a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

5. Betheny Moseley, RN – RE 9/12/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Moseley's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Moseley a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

6. Maureen Malenchini, RN – RE 8/26/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Malenchini's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Malenchini a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

7. Erin Wainwright, RN – RE 8/13/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Wainwright's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Wainwright a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

8. Morgan Ballard, RN – RE 10/1/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Ballard's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Ballard a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

9. Yuliya Bondar, RN – RE 8/22/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to table the application pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs to an extent that they are preventing her from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP). The Licensee must contact a provider within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition the Board voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

10. Lori Deshane, RN – RE 8/26/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Deshane's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Deshane a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

11. Tamara Dolloff, RN – RE 9/29/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Dolloff's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Dolloff Letters of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients, and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letters of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

12. Katelyn Burns, RN – RE 8/22/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to approve Ms. Burns's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Burns a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

13. Virginia Dixon, RN – RE 8/30/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to approve Ms. Dixon's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Dixon a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

14. Melissa Kull, RN – RE 9/22/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405(6)(F), in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss information that is confidential and not subject to access by the general public pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2109 at 3:42 pm.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

At 3:44 pm, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

In a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to table the application pending receipt of additional information. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4), the Board determined that the Licensee may be suffering from the use of intoxicants or drugs to an extent that they are preventing her from practicing nursing competently and with safety to patients and voted to order the Licensee to undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP). The Licensee must contact a provider within two (2) weeks and complete the intake assessment within four (4) weeks. In addition the Board

voted to authorize the Office of the Attorney General to request immediate suspension of the Licensee's license by order of the District Court if the Licensee does not submit to the Board-ordered evaluation pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(4).

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

15. Judy Simon, LPN – RE 10/13/24 Application to Renew as an Active License Practical Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Simon's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Simon a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

16. Harold Labbe, RN – RE 1/7/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to table the application pending receipt of additional information.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

17. Brenda Latham, RN – RE 9/24/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to approve Ms. Latham's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Latham a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

18. Karen Martin, RN – RE 10/17/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve Ms. Martin's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Martin a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

19. Perry Pelletier, RN – RE 10/17/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board determined that Mr. Perry has been sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the trust of the public and voted to approve his application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

20. Normand St. Hilaire, RN – RE 7/25/24 Application to Renew as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Mr. St. Hilaire's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Mr. St. Hilaire a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

21. Melissa Bryan, FNP – RE 10/28/24 Application to Renew as an Active Certified Nurse Practitioner

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Ms. Bryan's application for renewal of license as a certified nurse practitioner.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

22. Christina Rios, RN – RE 8/6/24 Application to Reinstate as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

After review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to offer Ms. Rios a Consent Agreement for Probation for a period of one (1) year of nursing employment and/or enrollment in a nursing education program. The probation must include structured settings and on-site supervision by another RN (same building), enrollment and compliance with the Medical Professionals Health Program monitoring program, quarterly nurse supervisor and treatment provider reports sent to the Board's Probation Compliance Officer, no multi-state privilege, and a requirement that the Licensee show the agreement to any employers. In addition, the Board directed Board staff to reinstate the license upon execution of the consent agreement.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Deborah Sanford)

23. Jacqui Swanson, RN – RE 4/11/23 Application to Reinstate as an Active Registered Professional Nurse

Pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405(6)(F), in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss information

that is confidential and not subject to access by the general public pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2109 at 2:52 pm.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

At 2:56 pm, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

In a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted to table the application pending receipt of additional information. The Board recommended Ms. Swanson undergo an intake assessment by the Medical Professionals Health Program (MPHP) or provide documentation of one (1) year of sobriety.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

24. Rachel Smith, LPN – RE 7/3/24 Application to Reinstate as an Active Licensed Practical Nurse

Pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405(6)(F), in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss information that is confidential and not subject to access by the general public pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2109 at 2:58 pm.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

At 3:08 pm, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by August Dow, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

In a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve Ms. Smith's application for reinstatement of license as a practical nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Smith a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of ten (10) years.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 opposed (Kathy McManus)

25. Lu Ann Ouellette, LPN – RE 11/11/24 Application for Reactivation of License as a Practical Nurse

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve Ms. Ouellette's application for reactivation of license as a practical nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Ouellette a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

26. Katherine Manter, RN – RE 8/10/24 Application for Licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse by Endorsement

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to approve Ms. Manter's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by endorsement. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Manter a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

27. Angela Santmier, RN – RE 8/9/24 Application for Licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse by Endorsement

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to approve Ms. Santmier's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by endorsement. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Santmier Letters of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients, and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license.. The Letters of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

28. Marcie Sorenson, RN – RE 3/15/24 Application for Licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse by Endorsement

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to approve Ms. Sorenson's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by endorsement. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Sorenson a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

29. Didier Nkurikiyeyezu, RN – RE 10/5/24 Application for Licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse by Endorsement

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to approve Mr. Nkurikiyeyezu's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by endorsement. In addition, the Board voted to issue Mr. Nkurikiyeyezu a Letters of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients; and 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may

not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letters of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

30. Danielle Bard, RN – RE 10/23/24 Application for Licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse by Endorsement

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Nicole Kenney, the Board voted to approve Ms. Bard's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by endorsement. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Bard a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

31. Breanna Cullan – RE 10/8/24 Application for Licensure as a Licensed Practical Nurse by Exam

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to approve Ms. Cullan's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by examination. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Cullan a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

32. Stephanie Ross – RE 10/31/24 Application for Licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse by Exam

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to approve Ms. Ross's application for licensure as a registered professional nurse by examination. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Ross a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

34. Giselle Cyr – RE 9/11/24 Application for Licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse by Exam

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Deborah Sanford, the Board voted to approve Ms. Cyr's application for renewal of license as a registered professional nurse. In addition, the Board voted to issue Ms. Cyr a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(B), which prohibits nurses from misusing alcohol, drugs or other substances to the extent that the misuse has resulted or may result in the nurse

performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. The Letters of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

After further review, in a motion made by Shannon Gauvin and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to issue Ms. Cyr a Letter of Concern regarding 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), which provides that an individual may not use fraud or deceit when obtaining a license. The Letter of Concern will be placed in the Licensee's file for a period of five (5) years.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

35. Katherine Hinkley, LPN – RE 11/13/24 Request for Additional Time to Pay Civil Penalty

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to approve Ms. Hinkley's request.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

36. Amber Berube, CNP – RE 10/31/24 Request for Amendment to 2/7/23 Consent Agreement for Reprimand & Probation (5 Years)

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to deny Ms. Berube's request for amendment.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

37. University of Maine at Augusta – RE 11-6-2024 Request for Faculty Exception

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to approve the request for faculty exception.

VOTE: 7 in favor; 1 recused (Shannon Gauvin)

38. Draft Rulemaking Proposal – Ethical Standards of Practice for Nurses

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to approve the draft rule as written and propose the rule for public comment.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

39. Southern Maine Community College – RE Voluntary Practical Nurse Program Closure

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Carla McDonnell, the Board voted to accept the notice of voluntary closure of the practical nurse program.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

40. Eastern Maine Community College – RE 11-17-2024 Request for Faculty Exception

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to approve the request for faculty exception. In addition, the Board requested documentation of enrollment and plan of completion.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

41. Draft Board Delegation Order – Failure to Disclose Previous Discipline

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to approve the draft delegation order as written.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS

December 5, 2024

8:30 AM

2019-149 (Rocquita Coke, RN) Notice of Complaint

Continued

REPORTS

1) Disciplinary Matters: Kim Esquibel

T. C. Request for Guidance

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Kathy McManus and seconded by Shannon Gauvin, the Board voted to not open a complaint after determining no potential violation of the law regulating the practice of nursing.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

2) Practice Matters: Amanda Boulay – None

3) Executive Director: Kim Esquibel

The Executive Director provided the Board with updates on the nurse licensure compact and 2025 NCSBN Midyear meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

1) Purdue University Global NLN CNEA Accreditation Update - 10-24-2024

2) 2024 NCLEX Pass Rates

Following review and discussion, in a motion made by Deborah Sanford and seconded by Kathy McManus, the Board voted to accept the consent agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTE: Unanimously in favor

Special Meetings: January 3, 2025
 January 7, 2025
 February 5, 2025
 April 9, 2025



Shannon Gauvin, DNA, RN, AHN-BC – Secretary
(On behalf of the Board)

3/5/25
Date