

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF PRACTICAL NURSE EXAMINERS
 131 AIRLINE DR., SUITE 301, METAIRIE, LA 70001
 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JULY 30 AND 31, 2015

DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING On July 30, 2015, the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners met at 131 Airline Drive, Suite 301, Metairie, LA 70001.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order on July 30, 2015, at approximately 10:07 a.m., with Myra Collins, Chairwoman presiding.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS	
M. Kaleem Arshad, MD	Absent
Brent Campanella, MD	Present
Myra Collins, LPN Chairman of the Board	Present
Roberta Connelley, RN	Present
Janie Cypret, LPN	Present
Gwendolyn Dunn, LPN	Present
Barbara Gibbs, RN	Present
Christopher Mallett, LPN	Present
Candace Melancon, LPN Vice-Chair & Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Andrew Morson, MD	Present
Albertha Prince, LPN	Present
Kenison Roy, MD	Present
Mohammad Suleman, MD	Absent

STAFF/LEGAL
COUNSEL
PRESENT

STAFF	
Lynn Ansardi	Present
Nancy McCarthy	Present
Tammy Touchard	Present
Julie Prange	Present
Kiana Gauthreaux	Present
Kerri Palmer	Present
Denise Klein	Present
Kristen Hill	Present
William Becknell	Present

DECLARATION OF
QUORUM

The Chair declared that a quorum was present.

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CONSENT
ORDERS/HEARING
COSTS

Lynn Ansardi presented information regarding consent orders and hearing costs.

MOTION TO
ENTER
EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Roberta Connelley moved that the board convene in executive session to consider reports related to disciplinary matters against licensees and applicants for licensure and to discuss personnel matters.

SECOND: Melancon

A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Campanella, Collins, Connelley, Cypret, Dunn, Gibbs, Mallett, Melancon, Morson, Prince, Roy

NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

The motion passed and the board went into executive session at 10:44 a.m.

MOTION TO
RECESS

Roberta Connelley moved that the board recess until July 31, 2015, 10:00 a.m.

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 11

NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

The meeting recessed at approximately 1:43 p.m.

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DATE AND PLACE
 OF MEETING

On July 31, 2015, the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners met at the Jefferson Parish East Bank Library, 4747 West Napoleon Avenue, Metairie, Louisiana, 70002.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on July 31, 2015, at approximately 10:05 a.m., with Myra Collins, Chairwoman presiding.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS	
M. Kaleem Arshad, MD	Present
Brent Campanella, MD	Present @ 10:20 a.m.
Myra Collins, LPN Chairwoman of the Board	Present
Roberta Connelley, RN	Present
Janie Cypret, LPN	Present
Gwendolyn Dunn, LPN	Present
Barbara Gibbs, RN	Present
Christopher Mallett, LPN	Present
Candace Melancon, LPN Vice-Chair & Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Andrew Morson, MD	Present
Albertha Prince, LPN	Present
Kenison Roy, MD	Absent
Mohammad Suleman, MD	Present

STAFF/LEGAL
 COUNSEL PRESENT

STAFF	
Lynn Ansardi	Present
Nancy McCarthy	Present
Tammy Touchard	Present
Julie Prange	Present
Kerri Palmer	Present
Kristen Hill	Present
Mary Ann Fassbender	Present
William Becknell	Present

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DECLARATION OF
QUORUM

The Chair declared that a quorum was present.

WELCOME

Roberta Connelley welcomed the audience.

MOTION TO ADOPT
MINUTES OF OCTOBER
9 AND 10, 2014 BOARD
MEETING

Candace Melancon moved that the minutes of the board meeting of March 12 and 13, 2015, be adopted as printed in the book of reports.

SECOND: Suleman
YEAS: 11
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS:
The motion passed.

MOTIONS RELATED TO
DISCIPLINE

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Lois Abner) license number 940564, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be revoked and that she be assessed a fine of \$1000.00 for violations of the nurse practice act and a hearing assessment fee of \$1000.00.

SECOND: Connelley
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Diane Brooks) license number 910611, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be revoked and that she be assessed a fine of \$500.00 for violations of the nurse practice act and a hearing assessment fee of \$1000.00.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

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Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Theresa Hawkins), license number **992426**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be revoked and that she be assessed a fine of \$500.00 for violations of the nurse practice act and a hearing assessment fee of \$500.00.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Nicole Percle), license number **960524**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be revoked and that she be assessed a fine of \$1000.00 for violations of the nurse practice act and a hearing assessment fee of \$1000.00.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Heather Freeman), license number **20100656**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be revoked and that she be assessed a fine of \$1000.00 for violations of the nurse practice act and a hearing assessment fee of \$1000.00.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 7
NAYS: Connelley
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Gibbs, Suleman
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Christopher Mallett moved that in the case of (Lacey Hemphill), license number **20130838**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended for no less than one year with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Cypret
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Christopher Mallett moved that in the case of (Chasity Hunter), license number **290811**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Cypret
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Christopher Mallett moved that in the case of (Veruschka Ogden), license number **940619**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be placed on probation for no less than one year with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Cypret
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
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Christopher Mallett moved that in the case of (Angel Phillips), license number **250554**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be placed on probation for no less than one year with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Cypret
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Christopher Mallett moved that in the case of (Joan Rickson), license number **20120543**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Cypret
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Cheryl Priestley) license number **271148**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be placed on probation for a minimum period of three years with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
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Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Jessica Ramsay), license number **20110321**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Edward Ratcliff), license number **290675**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be placed on probation for no less than 12 months with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Brandi Waner), license number **20120907**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
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Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Latoya Williams), license number **20100306**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended for no less than one year with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (LaBrittiany Clark), social security number ending in **6503**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the applicant be made eligible to take the NCLEX-PN. Once the respondent successfully passes the NCLEX-PN, the respondent's license will be immediately placed on **probation** for no less than **one (1) year** with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Corliss Williams), social security number ending in **0570**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the applicant be denied licensure as a practical nurse in the state of Louisiana and that she be assessed a hearing assessment fee of \$500.00.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
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Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Gennifer Robinson), social security number ending in 3432, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the applicant be denied licensure as a practical nurse in the state of Louisiana and that she be assessed a hearing assessment fee of \$500.00.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Skylar Ferrell), social security number ending in 8781, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the applicant be made eligible to write the NCLEX-PN and submit a hearing assessment fee of \$250.00.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Dara Guilbeau), license number 940540, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
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Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Shantanna Chambers), license number **230866**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended for no less than two years with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Barbara Gibbs moved that in the case of (Rebecca Aubin), license number **290120**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Barbara Gibbs moved that in the case of (Arlene Bailey), license number **200783**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license remain suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Dunn
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
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Barbara Gibbs moved that in the case of (Raven Da Costa), license number **280223**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended for no less than one year with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Melancon
YEAS: 9
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Dunn, Suleman
The motion passed.

Barbara Gibbs moved that in the case of (Dara Holloway), license number **240946**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Melancon
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Barbara Gibbs moved that in the case of (Jill Mathies), license number **941218**, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's license be suspended with the stipulations as attached to this motion.

SECOND: Melancon
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

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Roberta Connelley moved that the following consent agreements be accepted by the Board without exception:

License # 930058	Donna Anderson
License # 840024	Deborah Begnaud
License # 950375	Gena Bernard
License # 290237	Alexis Bourque
License # 20132509	Marcia Bygrave
License # 930569	Lee Cook
License # 20130866	Adrienne Daniel
License # 900681	Jackie De Blieux
License # 830503	Kristi De Blieux
License # 20140241	Irieone Domino
License # 250675	Hope Holland
License # 241118	Jada Johnson
License # 20120321	Kimberly Landry
License # 960238	Paul Lindenmayer
License # 20120541	Krystal McMillian
License # 20120424	Sabrina Minor
License # 20140405	Mia Norflin
License # 950931	Sharon Procell
License # 891322	Sarah Rankin
License # 252591	Kelley Romero
License # 280522	Erica Sanchez
License # 750698	Judy Simoneaux
License # 930825	Dana Tassin
License # 210389	Jason Walker
License # 911076	Abbie Young
SS # ending in 3656	Erin Bevrotte
SS # ending in 8096	Sandy Brumfield
SS # ending in 8063	Alyssa Carrier
SS # ending in 7654	Lena Comeaux
SS # ending in 9551	Kayla Ferguson
SS # ending in 1417	Kristen Hefner
SS # ending in 9265	Tamla Jacquot
SS # ending in 1259	Chasity Jeffers
SS # ending in 2555	Yashika Jones
SS # ending in 2819	Matthew Koepf
SS # ending in 2702	Daniel Lehane
SS # ending in 9590	Ladashia Lumpkin
SS # ending in 4155	Delaina Martinez
SS # ending in 1830	Valarie Norred
SS # ending in 9662	Iseah Quiet
SS # ending in 8464	Casey Robertson

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SS # ending in 3195	Courtney Seets
SS # ending in 7795	Gayla Thomas
SS # ending in 9836	LeKesha Woods
SS # ending in 0559	Jequanpa Young

SECOND: Melancon
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

Roberta Connelley moved that the following consent agreement be accepted by the Board upon agreement by the respondent. If the respondent does not accept the consent as amended, the matter shall be remanded to a hearing.

License # 850348	Evie Brown
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SECOND: Melancon
YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: Arshad, Suleman
The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE
COMPLAINT
DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY REPORTS

Julie Prange presented the summary reports of the compliance department. No action was needed or taken on these matters.

REPORT OF ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

Roberta Connelley, Chairwoman of the advisory committee, presented the minutes of the last advisory committee meeting which was held on June 17, 2015.
No action was needed or taken.

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Roberta Connelley brought forth the following recommendation from the advisory committee:

1. An applicant for licensure by examination in the state of Louisiana is allowed to write the National Council Licensing Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN) four (4) times within a two (2) year period from the date that the applicant is made eligible. A candidate failing to make a passing score after four (4) attempts within two (2) years of being made eligible, must re-enter and successfully repeat the entire practical nursing program before being allowed to write the exam again. These applicants are not eligible for advanced standing/credit in the program.

MOTION

Christopher Mallett moved to accept the recommendation as it was presented by Roberta Connelley.

SECOND: Campanella

Discussion ensued, no vote was taken.

Christopher Mallett withdrew his previous motion to accept the recommendation as it was presented by Roberta Connelley.

MOTION

Dr. Arshad moved to table the motion as presented by Roberta Connelley from the advisory committee.

SECOND: Suleman

A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Arshad, Dunn, Morson, Prince, Suleman

NAYS: Campanella, Collins, Connelley, Cypret, Gibbs, Mallett, Melancon

ABSTENTIONS: 0

The motion did not pass.

RECESS

Myra Collins, board chairwoman, called for the board to take a recess.

The board recessed at approximately 11:03 a.m.

The board reconvened at approximately 11:20 a.m.

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MOTION

Christopher Mallett moved to accept the recommendation as it is printed in the book of reports and presented by Roberta Connelley, be published as a Notice of Intent in the Louisiana Register.

SECOND: Cypret

A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Arshad, Campanella, Collins, Connelley, Cypret, Dunn, Gibbs, Mallett, Melancon, Prince, Suleman

NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: Morson

The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE
ASSOCIATE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

REPORT ON NCLEX –
PN

Nancy McCarthy presented a summary of students admitted and reporting arrest(s) from 03/01/2015 to 06/30/2015. Ms. McCarthy also presented a written report of all Louisiana writers of the NCLEX-PN from 01/01/2015 to 06/30/2015. No action was needed or taken.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

A summary report and update of programs on initial accreditation, provisional accreditation, and discontinued programs were provided. No action was needed or taken.

PROGRAM(S) ON
INITIAL
ACCREDITATION

Programs on initial accreditation include the following:
Healthcare Training Institute
Sidney Collier, Delgado Community College

PROGRAM(S) ON
PROVISIONAL
ACCREDITATION

Programs on provisional accreditation include the following:
A & W Healthcare Educators
Acadian Campus, BRCC
Bastrop Campus, LDCC
Evangeline Campus, SLCC
Natchitoches Campus, NWLTC

PROGRAM(S) CITED
FOR NON-COMPLIANCE
OF BOARD RULES

At the time of the printing of the book of reports, the following programs had been cited for non-compliance with board rules:
Bastrop Campus, LDCC (x2)
Evangeline Campus, SLCC
Nunez Community College
Young Memorial Campus, SCLTC

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REMINGTON
COLLEGE/SHREVEPORT
NEW PROGRAM

Roberta Connelley moved to allow Remington College to start a PN program in Shreveport, LA.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
The motion passed.

INFINITY
COLLEGE/LAFAYETTE
NEW PROGRAM

Roberta Connelley moved to allow Infinity College to start a PN program in Lafayette, LA.

SECOND: Mallett
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
The motion passed.

WELLINGTON
COLEMAN/FACULTY
AT A&W HEALTHCARE
EDUCATORS

Mr. Wellington Coleman addressed the board concerning his petition for a faculty position at A&W Healthcare Educators. The board previously addressed Mr. Wellington Coleman's application being denied at their regularly scheduled board meeting held on October 5, 2012. The board took no action on this request.

REPORT OF THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NCSBN UPDATE

Lynn Ansardi presented information regarding NCSBN's focus on revisions of the compact. No action was needed or taken.

BUDGET FY 2015

Lynn Ansardi presented the actual operating budget for fiscal year 2015 as of 06/30/2015. No action was needed or taken.

LOUISIANA
COMPLIANCE
QUESTIONNAIRE FY
2015

Lynn Ansardi presented the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire from fiscal year 2015

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Christopher Mallett moved that the completed compliance questionnaire from fiscal year 2015 be adopted as printed in the book of reports.

SECOND: Arshad
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
The motion passed.

LPN RENEWAL
STATISTICS

Lynn Ansardi presented statistics from the renewal data for the year 2013 – 2014.
No action was needed or taken.

RESTRICTED
APPOINTMENTS

Candace Melancon moved to allow two (2) restricted appointments to help staff during renewal season.

SECOND: Prince
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
The motion passed.

BANKING
RESOLUTIONS

Roberta Connelley moved to allow Cherrill Sensebe and Lloyd Poincot to be added as an authorized signer on all board banking business.

SECOND: Prince
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
The motion passed.

Roberta Connelley moved to accept the banking resolution for the money market account with Whitney Bank as printed on the handout provided to all board members.

SECOND: Melancon
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Roberta Connelley moved that the board rescind the motion made by Roberta Connelley and seconded by Candace Melancon at the board meeting held on June 20, 2014, in regards to consent orders that deal with student applicants and endorsement applicants applying for licensure in Louisiana, that their disciplinary action be held until the board's quarterly meeting for approval.

SECOND: Melancon
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
The motion passed.

FUTURE MEETING
DATES

The proposed board meeting dates for the next board meeting are November 5 and 6, 2015. Board staff has secured the Jefferson Parish East Bank Library for November 6, 2015. No action was needed or taken on this matter.

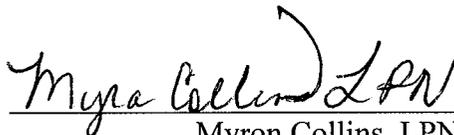
PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Christopher Mallett moved that the meeting be adjourned.

SECOND: Gibbs
YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
The motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.



Myron Collins, LPN, Chairwoman