

THE MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF NURSING
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APRIL 16, 2021

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

- ALTON SHAW, MSN, FNP-C (PRESIDENT)
- T.J. ADAMS, RN, BSN, MSHA (VICE PRESIDENT) - VIA ZOOM
- SANDRA CULPEPPER, LPN (SECRETARY)
- DR. MARY STEWART, PhD, RN
- LAURA MOORE, MSN, NP-C
- SHIRLEY JACKSON, LPN
- NANCY NORRIS-JOHNSON, LPN II, CPT
- DR. MICHELLE OWENS, MD
- JAN COLLINS (CONSUMER)

ALSO PRESENT:

- EDWARD WIGGINS, JR., ESQUIRE
- SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

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The following meeting was held at the Mississippi Board of Nursing, 713 South Pear Orchard Road, Plaza II, Suite 300, in the City of Ridgeland, State of Mississippi, on Friday, April 16, 2021, commencing at approximately 11:06 a.m.

MR. SHAW: We will go ahead and call the meeting to order. I apologize for being a few minutes late here. We will declare a quorum. I would like to ask that the board members on the call identify themselves.

MR. ADAMS: T.J. Adams, RN.

MR. SHAW: Okay. So, we got enough. All right. With that, I would ask, Ms. Jackson, would you mind opening us up with prayer?

MS. JACKSON: Good morning, everyone. If you will, please, bow your heads.

(PRAYER)

MR. SHAW: Approval of the agenda, "Other Committee Business," the appeal will be scratched at this time. Outside of that, anything else? We do have Practice Committee.

DR. STEWART: I saw that. Thank you.

MR. SHAW: All right. Do I have a motion to approve the agenda?

MS. COLLINS: I so move.

MR. SHAW: We have a motion from Ms. Collins. Second?

MS. JACKSON: I second.

MR. SHAW: Ms. Jackson. All in favor?

(ALL IN FAVOR)

MR. SHAW: Motion carries. Open Forum. Are there any members of the public that would like to make a statement online?

DR. MCCRORY: Alton?

MR. SHAW: Yes.

DR. MCCRORY: This is Janette McCrory, Director of Nursing Education at IHL. I wanted to take this opportunity to announce my retirement from IHL May 31st. I would like to take another opportunity to thank the board members and Ms. Phyllis Johnson and her staff for our professional relationship over the past 12 years. You have afforded me the opportunity regarding conversations and policy development matters that affect nursing education both from a state and national perspective, and I am sincerely appreciative of all of that. When the new person is selected, I will provide a written

notification to the Board and Ms. Phyllis Johnson. And, again, thank you so much, and I appreciate the service that you have given to the state. Thank you.

(APPLAUSE)

MR. SHAW: Any other members of the public?

DR. STEWART: May I make a quick comment?

MR. SHAW: Certainly.

DR. STEWART: So, I just wanted to state -- Dr. McCrory, this is Mary Stewart, and I wanted to -- I know we applauded, but just to verbalize how much we appreciate your support for higher education and your engagement with this board and all the work that you've done. Much of it, I realize, goes unnoticed, but we appreciate your service, and I wanted to get that on the record. So, thank you.

DR. MCCRORY: Thank you, Mary.

MR. SHAW: If you were here, we could give you a plaque.

DR. STEWART: Give you a what?

MR. SHAW: A plaque. All right. Any other comments or any other comments from the public?

(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

MR. SHAW: If not, we'll move on. Office

of Nursing Workforce, Mr. Taylor.

MR. TAYLOR: Good morning, everybody, and congratulations, Dr. McCrory. All the best to you. I will be giving a quick update on the Mississippi Nurse Voluntary Program. We've got a new team member, Sheron Russell who is a nurse and case manager for the program. Sheron is an RN with a BSN from MUW and also a master's degree from Tougaloo in Economics. So we would like to welcome her to the program. She and Casey are working with Spectrum as I speak to refine the work flow, and they have already initiated a good PI program, so something we needed to have to monitor our document flow.

MnVP staff met with a branding and PR agency last week or over the last couple of weeks, and on Monday we're going to receive a proposal from them. The objective is to increase our name recognition, do some minor branding for the program, with the ultimate goal to increase appropriate external referrals to the program, and we feel we can do that with a little more organized effort and some better education of external referral sources.

ONW, we have a new team member in ONW, as well. Shannon Witty is administrative assistant. Shannon has a bachelor's degree from Mississippi State

1 in Business Administration. She was here as a temp
2 for six months at the front desk, so everyone got a
3 chance to meet her. Both of our new folks are doing
4 great and making positive contributions.

5 The scholarship accountability forms,
6 which are the forms that the schools provide us to
7 make sure the dollars that are flowing to the students
8 are coming in, and only five out of twenty-three
9 schools have yet to send the reports in. Our ONW
10 projects are underway for the spring, and please stay
11 tuned to the website for future announcements.

12 Of note, on March 26, the 2020 USDA
13 Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant was awarded
14 to the Board of Nursing in the amount of \$379,000.
15 Recognition is due to a lot of people, certainly the
16 Board, the executive leadership team, and to our grant
17 consultant, Dr. Cindy Joffrion, who has played a real
18 key role, and also kudos to Christie Levy and
19 Dr. Priscilla Burks who have worked diligently and
20 closely with Dr. Joffrion during the grant-writing
21 process and were and are still major contributors to
22 the grant.

23 We're continuing to work with
24 Dr. Joffrion as we have initiated the beginning of the
25 administrative process. So that's an ongoing thing

1 for the next few years. We're excited to have the
2 opportunity, because we feel it will certainly open up
3 additional opportunities in the future for more grants
4 like this. That completes my report. Thank you.

5 MR. SHAW: Any questions for Mr. Taylor?

6 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

7 MR. SHAW: All right. We will go ahead

8 and let Ms. Culpepper address the ONW Committee.

9 MS. CULPEPPER: I would like to bring

10 before the Board, not for a motion, but just to be
11 aware that in June we will have vacancies on the
12 Advisory Committee within ONW, and it is our intention
13 to bring forth in June those that have completed the
14 application process and have been vetted.

15 MR. SHAW: With that said, do I have a
16 motion we accept Mr. Taylor's report?

17 MS. NORRIS-JOHNSON: I make a motion.

18 MR. SHAW: We have a motion from
19 Ms. Norris-Johnson. Second, Ms. Jackson. All in
20 favor?

21 (ALL IN FAVOR)

22 MR. SHAW: Motion passes. Practical
23 Nursing. Dr. Burks I understand is not here.

24 Dr. Johnson is going to give a report.

25 MS. JOHNSON: So, good morning. You-all

1 should have -- hopefully, everybody can hear me. I
2 have a loud mouth. You have a report from Dr. Burks
3 in your packet. You should. If not, let me know.
4 There are two things that she wanted me to bring
5 before the Board, and I will just hit the high points
6 on that. The Mississippi College Board request to
7 offer an apprentice program for PNs, and this is
8 coming through the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community
9 College.

10 Her recommendation is that the
11 Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College is currently
12 under the purview of the Mississippi Community College
13 Board. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the program
14 accreditation site visit was rescheduled April 28th
15 through April the 30th, 2021. So she recommends the
16 request for the apprenticeship program be tabled until
17 the accreditation site visit process is completed by
18 the Community College Board.

19 Her second request is to allow approved
20 program to offer the stand-alone 80-hour IV therapy in
21 a hybrid format due to an increase in the number of
22 LPNs being hired in the acute care setting and limited
23 access to IV courses as a result of the COVID
24 restrictions. Her recommendation is that the approved
25 IV therapy programs be allowed to teach the 80-hour IV

1 therapy course in the hybrid format to increase LPN
2 access to the course since acute care facilities are
3 now utilizing more LPNs. So, those are the two
4 recommendations for board action that she wanted me to
5 present in her report.

6 MR. SHAW: Does anybody have any
7 questions about that?

8 DR. STEWART: I have a question. So, on
9 the second request about the LPNs, when they say
10 "hybrid," do you know, is she assuming that the 40
11 hours of clinical would be the face-to-face piece?

12 MS. JOHNSON: Face to face.

13 DR. STEWART: It's just on site at the
14 school --

15 MS. JOHNSON: On site.

16 DR. STEWART: -- as opposed to a
17 hospital?

18 MS. JOHNSON: Right, and virtual. It may
19 be that they have to do some virtual, as well, but
20 that's what she was talking about.

21 DR. STEWART: Okay. Thank you.

22 MR. SHAW: Any other questions?

23 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

24 MR. SHAW: If not, do I have a motion we
25 accept the report from Dr. Burks via Dr. Johnson?

1 MS. CULPEPPER: I will make that motion.

2 MR. SHAW: Motion from Ms. Culpepper.

3 Second?

4 DR. OWENS: Second.

5 MR. SHAW: Ms. Jackson. All in favor?

6 Oh, I'm sorry, from Dr. Owens. All in favor?

7 (ALL IN FAVOR)

8 MR. SHAW: Motion carries. Board

9 Business. Business Zoom Meeting Minutes from February

10 12th, 2020. I think that should be '21. Anyway, do

11 we accept Board Business Zoom Minutes in the report?

12 (Inaudible)

13 MS. MOORE: I make a motion.

14 MR. SHAW: We have a motion from

15 Ms. Moore. Second?

16 DR. OWENS: Second.

17 MR. SHAW: Second from Dr. Owens. All in

18 favor?

19 (ALL IN FAVOR)

20 MR. SHAW: Agreed Settlement Proposals

21 from February '21. Do I have a motion we accept those

22 into the minutes?

23 MS. NORRIS-JOHNSON: I make a motion.

24 MR. SHAW: I have a motion from Ms. Nancy

25 Norris-Johnson. Second?

1 MS. JACKSON: Second.

2 MR. SHAW: Ms. Shirley Jackson. All in
3 favor?

4 (ALL IN FAVOR)

5 MR. SHAW: Do I have a motion that we
6 waive reading of names on motions?

7 MS. MOORE: I make a motion.

8 MR. SHAW: Motion from Ms. Moore.

9 DR. OWENS: Second.

10 MR. SHAW: Second from Dr. Owens. All in
11 favor?

12 (ALL IN FAVOR)

13 MR. SHAW: Motion carries. Future
14 Meetings: Agreed Settlement Proposals June 15th,
15 Disciplinary Hearings June 16th and 17th, with our
16 next Business Meeting June 18th. Now, if you'll
17 notice, we do need some volunteers for the panel at
18 that time. So, please make considerations if you can.

19 We already have Ms. Nancy Johnson and Ms. Shirley
20 Jackson. We would like to try and get two RNs to fill
21 the other slots. If you would and you're interested,
22 please get with myself or Shan after the meeting, and
23 we will make sure that's all squared away.

24 Legislation. I understand Trey was
25 delayed in boarding his plane and was unable to

1 attend, and so he forwarded his report to Dr. Johnson.

2 So, this will probably be the shortest legislative
3 report we have.

4 (LAUGHTER)

5 MS. JOHNSON: So, yes, Trey did just
6 text me. That's why I had to run back and get this.
7 His flight had been changed. He had hoped he would be
8 where he was supposed to be. So he emailed the
9 report, and you do have a copy before you. I will try
10 to hit on some of the high points, because I know you
11 haven't had a chance to look over it.

12 You know House Bill 634 and Senate Bill
13 2107 dealt with the firearms, prohibiting local
14 governments and state agencies from restricting
15 possession. Both of these bills died in Conference at
16 the end of the session. I think that's a good thing.
17 House Bill 1205, Telemedicine, revise
18 definition for provisions of law regarding coverage
19 for telemedicine. The bill died in Conference. 2631
20 also died in Conference, and that was a health
21 insurance bill.

22 The Advanced Practice Registered Nurses
23 Bill, House Bill 1303, as you well know -- as you are
24 aware, it did not go forward. Hopefully, next year we
25 will see the passage of this important legislation.

1 It was, however, passed for the first time out of the
2 House Public Health Committee and on the House Floor.
3 So that was a great, great advantage there.

4 Senate Bill 2019, Ban the Box, this bill
5 would have prohibited governmental agencies from
6 inquiring about prior criminal convictions on an
7 employment opportunity. That bill died on the Senate
8 Calendar. And Senate Bill 2764, the Medical Cannabis
9 Act, just passed the Senate at 1:30 a.m. on the
10 deadline day but later died in the House.

11 Then, Senate Bill 2792 was the Fresh
12 Start Act. This bill would have prohibited state
13 agencies from denying employment simply on the basis
14 of a prior criminal conviction. It passed the Senate,
15 but it died on the House Floor on a point of Order.

16 And then House Bill 1263, the
17 Occupational Licensing Bill, provide for recognition
18 for out-of state licenses if applicants satisfy
19 certain conditions. This would require out-of-state
20 licensees to prove in-state residency to qualify for
21 license recognition. The bill was passed and has been
22 signed by the Governor.

23 House Bill 1047 removes the cap on the
24 number of school nurses eligible for salary
25 supplements based on National Board certification.

1 And House Bill 1370, the Board of Nursing
2 Appropriation Bill, we received slightly more funding
3 than we did the previous fiscal year, but our
4 financial officer will give that report later on in
5 this meeting. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. That is the
6 end of his report.

7 MR. SHAW: All right.

8 DR. OWENS: The Fresh Start Act, does
9 that specifically, does that apply to the professional
10 (inaudible)?

11 MR. SHAW: She is asking, as far as the
12 Fresh Start Act, did it apply to professional
13 licensing bodies.

14 DR. OWENS: Does it apply to (inaudible)?

15 MS. JOHNSON: We did have to look into
16 that. I know Brett was involved, along with, I think,
17 some of the other regulatory agencies. The Board of
18 Medicine and the Board of Pharmacy attorneys are
19 looking at that information. It would involve
20 basically the regulatory bodies, as well.

21 DR. OWENS: I just knew there had been
22 discussions about whether or not that was applicable
23 across the board. Okay. Thank you.

24 MR. SHAW: Any other questions on the
25 legislative report?

1 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

2 MR. SHAW: If not, do I have a motion
3 that we -- well, actually, we don't have to accept it.
4 Moving on, the Executive Director's Report,
5 Dr. Johnson.

6 MS. JOHNSON: I should have just stayed
7 up, huh? Okay. First of all, I would like to take
8 this opportunity personally to say thank you to
9 Dr. Janette McCrory at IHL. I was a little bit taken
10 aback when you announced that you are retiring. I'm
11 surprised. I'm a little bit saddened over that. It
12 has been a great opportunity working with you. I've
13 been at the Board seven years and in this capacity
14 basically four years. Boy, time flies when you're
15 having fun.

16 You have been a bright light in my
17 transition here at the Board. I've enjoyed the
18 working relationship that we have developed with IHL,
19 and as we say in the Navy, Fair winds and following
20 seas. I wish you Godspeed on your retirement, and you
21 will truly be missed. So, thank you for everything
22 that you have done and all of your hard work at IHL
23 and then working with the Board of Nursing for the
24 licensees of the state and the schools of nursing, as
25 well. Thank you very much.

1 DR. STEWART: Well said.

2 MS. JOHNSON: Now, our report, as you are
3 aware, it's going to be short and simple. C Spire,
4 the state agencies are changing from AT&T to C Spire.

5 MS. COLLINS: Yes.

6 MS. JOHNSON: So, our transition, I know
7 we're having some ins and outs with the transition
8 with the computer. So just bear with us. They're
9 working as hard as they can. Sometimes, you know, it
10 will go down in the middle of my conferences. I'm,
11 like, what happened? But it comes right back up. So
12 it's just that transition. But be aware all state
13 agencies are transitioning over to C Spire. So,
14 hopefully, we'll have all of those little kinks ironed
15 out within the next few weeks.

16 Board Visibility. I won't go through all
17 of these. You have seen it. I did want to highlight
18 a couple of things. The American Heart Association,
19 Circle of Red, a great opportunity. As you know, we
20 are a strong supporter of American Heart and the
21 Circle of Red and Go Red for Women. So, if you ever
22 have the opportunity, we had the photo shoot the other
23 week or so. It was great. You-all are always invited
24 to participate in that if you're ever in the area.
25 We'll send those emails out to make sure you're aware

1 of those times so that you can have your photos done,
2 as well.

3 Again, the Madison County Business League
4 & Foundation, we are very active in supporting them
5 and all of the things that they do. Our board member,
6 Jan Collins, who is the executive director there makes
7 sure that we're kept abreast of everything that's
8 going on, any legislative issue. So, we support them,
9 and we have been very instrumental in going to
10 everything that they are doing. We are in Madison
11 County, so we are a part of that, being that the Board
12 of Nursing is located in Ridgeland, Mississippi.

13 The other thing that I wanted to bring to
14 your attention, the MNA APRN Conference, I just did
15 that. Delta State University, we were able to Zoom to
16 their APRN grads. With things opening back up and the
17 numbers starting to kind of go down -- they're going
18 back up a little bit now, but pretty much we are, you
19 know, allowing some of the staff to now go out.

20 I think Talisha Greenlaw has an upcoming
21 request to go out to the schools of nursing. The PN
22 Program, they enjoy having her. She does a tremendous
23 job with that. And so we are allowing them to go out
24 on a case-by-case basis to those entities to be vested
25 back in the community and in an educational process.

1 The other thing that I wanted to bring
2 up, I think, was going to be, Brett and Shan are going
3 to be participating in May in the Nurse Licensure
4 Compact Series, and if you have not received that,
5 there is an email that was sent out. There is a
6 series of webinars and things being conducted by NLC.
7 Let me know if you did not get the email. We will
8 make sure that you get that information so that you
9 can register for those. Brett and Shan are on some of
10 the national committees, and we, you know, would love
11 for our staff to be involved. That's one of the
12 things that I advocate, that they be involved, and
13 they have been selected to present on some of the
14 topics that they have been involved in on those
15 national committees. So, kudos to them for that.

16 I think that's all I wanted to highlight
17 on that. But as far as Upcoming Board Visibility,
18 Dr. Priscilla Burks will be presenting in the MOADN
19 Spring 2021 Faculty Workshop, and she is also going to
20 be doing the site visit with the Mississippi Gulf
21 Coast Community College April 28th through the 30th.
22 Hopefully, I will be able to participate in that, as
23 well.

24 Then, the NGN Conference, I think that
25 was mentioned, the Office of Nursing Workforce, Board

1 of Nursing, April 21st, 2021. So, pretty much that's
2 what we have going on right now. I don't think
3 there's anything else I need to bring to your
4 attention at this point. Do you have any questions?
5 If not, we can proceed with Shan and the budget.

6 MR. SHAW: Any questions for Dr. Johnson?
7 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

8 MR. SHAW: All right. Shan?

9 MS. MONTGOMERY: First, I would also like
10 to say, Dr. McCrory, you know I will miss you. It has
11 been a pleasure working with you. You can't see me,
12 but I'm smiling big. So, thank you for all that I
13 have learned from you over the years, and I will miss
14 you dearly. So, I will move into the Budget Report.
15 You-all received the budget packets. I was going to
16 do a little different presentation on the budget today
17 and kind of cover some of the legislative issues that
18 have transpired over the last couple of months.

19 I will start out with House Bill 1370,
20 our Appropriation Bill. It was approved and sent to
21 the Governor by Representative Read, Representatives
22 Oliver, Cockerham, Hale, Haney, Representatives
23 Huddleston, Jackson, Ladner, and Young. So that was
24 sent to the Governor and approved.

25 Beginning July 1, 2021, we were awarded

1 \$5,167,000. We were authorized 40 full-time
2 positions. Initially, we weren't, but they did go
3 back and plug in the full-time positions. So, all 40
4 positions were filled. Of the funds, \$1,560,000 shall
5 be provided to the Office of Nursing Workforce. That
6 was fully funded again. Also, of the funds, 105,000
7 may be allocated to the Pharmacy Board for expenses
8 for the Prescription Monitoring Program. I want to
9 always keep y'all abreast of that, that that is in our
10 Appropriation Bill and can be adjusted as you-all see
11 fit.

12 Also, we had another appropriation bill,
13 House Bill 109. The State of Mississippi State
14 Personnel Board is realigning job descriptions for all
15 state employees. We were given additional funds, as
16 Ms. Johnson mentioned in Trey's update. Those
17 additional funds were legislated for a 3 percent
18 increase across the board for all state employees,
19 excluding the executive director.

20 As we're on that, we did request the
21 increase for the executive director. It was denied
22 this year possibly due to funding. That's what I got
23 from our analyst. Also, we requested a PIN for the
24 court reporter. That was denied, as well. We will
25 continue to ask for those things, as we do see them

1 pertinent to our Appropriation Bill for Fiscal Year
2 '23.

3 And we also were awarded an additional
4 25,000. A couple of years ago, the legislature
5 approved that no state agency had to pay another state
6 agency. Well, that has since been reversed. So, we
7 were awarded 25,000 to cover some of our ITS and MMRs.
8 Those were some additional funds that were in our
9 Appropriation Bill. That pretty much covers our
10 Appropriation Bill, unless there are any questions
11 about that. I will cover -- oh, I threw in the
12 overall state budget. I thought this was so great.
13 So, it's \$5,744,300,000. That is your state budget,
14 and we get .1 percent of that budget. So I wanted to
15 share that with you-all.

16 Additionally, as we have discussed today,
17 we were awarded the DLT Grant. That grant will be
18 managed -- the grant funds will be managed separately
19 from the Board's budget. We will receive a report
20 just as you do with the overall budget. As Mr. Gregg
21 stated, we were awarded 879,000. That total grant,
22 the most that can be awarded is 1 million. So I
23 wanted to point that out. We were really high up
24 there in that grant with receiving those funds.

25 The grant match total required was 15

1 percent. Thankfully, with the schools and the
2 programs, we ended up with a 17.3 percent match. So,
3 thank you to the schools that contributed to that.
4 The cash received on that grant was \$36,799. The
5 in-kind match is 115,819. Total of 1,031,000. So
6 I'll be breaking that grant down as we go and as we
7 start to use those funds, just as I did today. Any
8 questions regarding the grant or the Board funds or
9 the Appropriation Bill?

10 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

11 MS. COLLINS: Great job, Shan.

12 MR. SHAW: If no further questions, do I
13 have a motion we accept the Budget Report?

14 MS. COLLINS: I so move.

15 MR. SHAW: Motion by Ms. Collins.

16 DR. STEWART: I will second that.

17 MR. SHAW: Second by Dr. Stewart. All in
18 favor?

19 (ALL IN FAVOR)

20 MR. SHAW: Executive Committee. We've
21 got a couple of different things here, first an
22 administrative denial. I move that the Board adopt
23 the Executive Committee's recommendation to accept the
24 following Administrative Denial: Case No.
25 SOUT-55UMRE. All in favor of accepting the denial?

1 DR. STEWART: Yes.

2 (ALL IN FAVOR)

3 MR. SHAW: A couple other motions. One
4 of them, this deals with continuing ed hours that we
5 had modified. Well, when we modified it, it wasn't
6 put in as an emergency rule, because we are still
7 waiting on OLRC. For those we did as APRNs this past
8 time, we created a lot of confusion, because
9 technically the new rule wasn't in place. The old one
10 had been removed. So it was a little confusing.

11 Basically, what this is asking to do is,
12 I move that the Board authorize an emergency rule
13 filing of the continuing education that was originally
14 passed on 11/13 of 2020. So it just takes that rule
15 that we passed and makes it into an emergency rule so
16 we can go ahead and effectively apply it. Any
17 questions on that?

18 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

19 MR. SHAW: So, coming out of committee,
20 can I have a vote? All in favor?

21 (ALL IN FAVOR)

22 MR. SHAW: Any opposed?

23 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

24 MR. SHAW: Motion carries. The last one,
25 dealing with the monitored practice hours, we had some

1 discussion around this about the need for it when we
2 already have the (inaudible) collaborating and already
3 have the communication there with the technology that
4 exists today with FaceTime, with texts, with any other
5 kind of meeting, Zooms that we have in front of us
6 today, the need for this. So, it's coming out of
7 Executive Committee to move that the Board authorize
8 that an emergency rule be filed repealing Rule 1.3 of
9 Monitored Practice Hours, 30 Mississippi
10 Administrative Code Part 2840, Advanced Practice,
11 effective on today's date, April 16, 2021. Discussion
12 around that?

13 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

14 MR. SHAW: If not, all in favor, say
15 "Aye."

16 (ALL IN FAVOR, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
17 DR. MARY STEWART)

18 MR. SHAW: Any opposed?

19 DR. STEWART: Aye.

20 MR. SHAW: Opposition for Dr. Stewart.
21 Motion carries. With that being said, there's nothing
22 else from Executive Committee Meeting. I will move to
23 "Other Board Business" now, because we may have to
24 have an executive session for a legal thing.
25 Compliance Committee, Ms. Culpepper.

1 MS. CULPEPPER: Sorry. I'm trying to

2 take my notes, Alton. So, coming out of the
3 Compliance Committee, I have two things to bring
4 forward to the Board, and the first is that we're
5 seeking a motion to move that the Board adopt the
6 Compliance Committee's recommendation that the
7 following affidavits/formal reprimands be accepted for
8 ratification for Mary Marcy, License R-866369.

9 MR. SHAW: All right. We have a motion
10 to come out of the committee. All in favor?

11 (ALL IN FAVOR)

12 MR. SHAW: Any opposed?

13 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

14 MS. CULPEPPER: The next one will be for
15 the Board to adopt the Compliance Committee's
16 recommendation to approve the second request of
17 License No. R-893398 for an extension on the
18 pre-conditions of the Final Order requirements for six
19 months or 180 calendar days from May 4, 2021.

20 MR. SHAW: Any questions?

21 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

22 MR. SHAW: If not, all in favor?

23 (ALL IN FAVOR)

24 MR. SHAW: Any opposed?

25 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

1 MR. SHAW: Anything else, Ms. Culpepper?

2 MS. CULPEPPER: That is it, sir.

3 MR. SHAW: All right. In the absence of
4 Dr. Stanford today, Chair of the Advanced Practice
5 Committee, we have nothing to report at this time.
6 Practice Committee?

7 DR. STEWART: Yes. We have one motion
8 that comes from the Practice Committee, and the
9 summary is, it is not within the scope of practice for
10 a registered nurse to remove a ureteral stent.

11 MR. SHAW: Any questions?

12 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

13 MR. SHAW: If not, all those in favor of
14 the motion, say "Aye."

15 (ALL IN FAVOR)

16 MR. SHAW: Any opposed?

17 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

18 DR. STEWART: And I would like to just
19 add that in our response to the agency and individuals
20 that asked this question and presented it to us, we
21 are going to refer them to our new decision tree to
22 assist in terms of making future decisions about what
23 is within the scope of practice.

24 MR. SHAW: Outstanding. Again, I will
25 reiterate, I appreciate all your hard work on that.

1 DR. STEWART: Yeah, that's what I was
2 waiting for.

3 (LAUGHTER)

4 MR. SHAW: All right. With that said,
5 for "Other Board Business," I believe, if my timing in
6 my head is correct, we do need to have a nominating
7 committee elected today since elections will take
8 place at the next meeting. So, with that said, we are
9 going to have to -- let me just ask, any other board
10 business before I get to that?

11 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

12 MR. SHAW: Okay. A potential issue, so I
13 will ask at this time that we go into closed session
14 to determine if executive session is necessary.

15 DR. OWENS: So moved.

16 MR. SHAW: Second?

17 MS. MOORE: Second.

18 MR. SHAW: Motion carries. Shan, would
19 you take us out of the public?

20 (MEETING CLOSED)

21 (OFF THE RECORD)

22 MR. SHAW: Basically we're looking at
23 going into executive session for discussion of
24 potential litigation. Could I have a motion to go
25 into executive session?

1 DR. OWENS: So moved.

2 MR. SHAW: Motion from Dr. Owens.

3 Second?

4 DR. STEWART: Second.

5 MR. SHAW: Second from Dr. Stewart. All
6 in favor?

7 (ALL IN FAVOR)

8 (OFF THE RECORD)

9 (EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD)

10 MR. SHAW: I do need a motion to go out
11 of executive session.

12 MS. JACKSON: I will make a motion.

13 MS. COLLINS: Second.

14 MR. SHAW: I have a motion from
15 Ms. Jackson. Second, Ms. Collins. All in favor?

16 (ALL IN FAVOR)

17 MR. SHAW: In executive session, the
18 decision was made not to participate in some potential
19 litigation. Outside of that, we do still have the
20 point of the Nominating Committee. Volunteers?

21 MS. MOORE: Can you explain?

22 MR. ADAMS: I vote -- I would like to
23 recommend Sandra Culpepper.

24 MR. SHAW: All right. We have Sandra
25 Culpepper. Any others?

1 MS. JACKSON: I would recommend that she
2 be chair.

3 MS. CULPEPPER: I appreciate that.

4 MS. MOORE: So, what -- okay, can you
5 explain?

6 MR. SHAW: All right. The Nominating
7 Committee, the reason we have to do it is because it's
8 still in state law. The Nominating Committee is
9 historically, in most organizations for committees
10 that were elected, the committee then filtered through
11 candidates for the different positions and determined
12 who they were going to recommend for the Board. We
13 have since changed our election process to where it's
14 just whoever wants to run, they need to get voted.
15 So, it's really, in essence, I don't want to say
16 antiquated, but it kind of is, but it's still in state
17 law. So, it's something we have to do.

18 MS. MOORE: Okay.

19 MR. SHAW: So, with that said --

20 DR. STEWART: Do we get dessert, extra
21 dessert if we volunteer?

22 MS. CULPEPPER: Extra emails.

23 MS. MOORE: I say Alton supplies
24 doughnuts.

25 MR. ADAMS: Alton, this is T.J. I'm

1 happy to help Sandra, too. I have been a part of it
2 for the last couple of years.

3 MS. JACKSON: Mr. President, I would like
4 to nominate Dr. Owens.

5 MR. SHAW: Dr. Owens?

6 DR. OWENS: I would like to nominate
7 Ms. Jackson.

8 MR. SHAW: So, right now we have Sandra
9 Culpepper nominated, Dr. Owens nominated, and T.J.

10 MS. MOORE: How many do you need?

11 MR. SHAW: Three.

12 DR. STEWART: That sounds great. Now we
13 have three.

14 MS. MOORE: Oh, you do? All I heard was
15 Sandra.

16 DR. STEWART: And T.J.

17 DR. OWENS: I will decline Shirley
18 Jackson's nomination and nominate Laura.

19 MS. MOORE: How gracious. You're so
20 gracious, Dr. Owens.

21 MR. SHAW: So, right now we have Sandra,
22 Laura, and T.J. So, with that being said, having
23 three positions and three people nominated, do I have
24 a motion to say we accept it by acclamation?

25 DR. STEWART: I so move.

1 MR. SHAW: Any other business?

2 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

3 MR. SHAW: If not, do I have a motion to
4 adjourn?

5 MS. COLLINS: I move that we adjourn.

6 MR. SHAW: Motion to adjourn from
7 Ms. Collins.

8 DR. OWENS: Second.

9 MR. SHAW: Second, Dr. Owens. All in
10 favor?

11 (ALL IN FAVOR)

12 MR. SHAW: Motion carries. Thank you.

13 (MEETING ADJOURNED AT APPROXIMATELY 11:52 A.M.)

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