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THE MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF NURSING
BUSINESS MEETING

OCTOBER 12, 2018

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

- MELISSA KING, DNP, FNP-BC, ENP-BC (PRESIDENT)
- NANCY NORRIS, LPN (SECRETARY)
- ALTON SHAW, MSN, FNP-C (TREASURER)
- BLAKE WARD, MSN, CRNA
- TERESA STANFORD, DNP, FNP-BC
- DARLENE LINDSEY, MSN, RN, CNE
- SHIRLEY JACKSON, LPN
- SANDRA CULPEPPER, LPN
- T.J. ADAMS, RN, BSN, MSHA
- BRANDI TAYLOR, LPN
- JAN COLLINS, CONSUMER

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ALSO PRESENT:

- GLORIA J. GREEN, ESQUIRE
- SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

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2 The following meeting was held at the
3 Mississippi Board of Nursing, 713 South Pear Orchard
4 Road, Plaza II, Suite 300, in the City of Ridgeland,
5 State of Mississippi, on Friday, October 12, 2018,
6 commencing at approximately 11:09 a.m.

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9 **DR. KING:** We will go ahead and go on the
10 record on October 12th, 2018, at 11:09 a.m., and I'm
11 going to ask Ms. Jan Collins to open us up with a word
12 of prayer.

13 **MS. COLLINS:** Good morning to everybody.
14 Will y'all please bow your heads and pray with me.

15 (PRAYER)

16 **DR. KING:** So we do have a quorum today.
17 Let the record show that Dr. Michelle Owens is not
18 present for today's meeting. The next thing on the
19 agenda is actually the approval of the agenda, but we
20 need to add one item to that, and that would be the
21 addition of the Colby Amis case be added for
22 conclusion of deliberations per the hearing panel that
23 was included in that case.

24 With that, can I get a motion for the
25 approval of the agenda?

1 **DR. STANFORD:** I make a motion we approve
2 the agenda with that addition.

3 **DR. KING:** Motion made by Dr. Stanford.

4 **MS. LINDSEY:** Second.

5 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Darlene
6 Lindsey. Any discussion?

7 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

8 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

9 (ALL IN FAVOR)

10 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

11 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

12 **DR. KING:** Any abstainers?

13 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

14 **DR. KING:** Motion passes. So now we will
15 have open forum from the public, if anybody would like
16 to speak to the Board.

17 **MS. SHOWS:** Mississippi LPN Association,
18 no report at this time, but happy fall to everyone,
19 and I hope that your board session goes well.

20 **DR. KING:** Thank you, Linda. I did get
21 something from Teresa Malone from MNA that she just
22 wanted me to kind of read off, because she had to be
23 present at the Medicaid hearing this morning, but she
24 wanted to relay the following to the board members:
25 She sends her regrets, as she is attending the

1 Mississippi Division of Medicaid Hearing regarding DME
2 today, but on behalf of the Mississippi Nurses'
3 Association Board of Directors, she extends her
4 appreciation to President King, Blake Ward, Dr. Teresa
5 Stanford, Phyllis Johnson, Tina Highfill, and Westley
6 Mutziger for sharing information at MNA's Convention
7 in October.

8 We are honored to have the Board of
9 Nursing joining us on Thursday for our session
10 dedicated to RNs and Friday for our session dedicated
11 to APRNs. She also expresses appreciation to everyone
12 that participated in the MNA PAC's Fundraiser for
13 Representative Donnie Scoggin. As always, Teresa
14 extends a standing invitation to anyone with questions
15 and concerns to her.

16 Anyone else? Okay. That takes us to the
17 Office of Nursing Workforce.

18 **MS. JONES:** Good morning. Over the last
19 five weeks, I've had the opportunity to work closely
20 with the ONW Committee and the chair, Ms. Darlene
21 Lindsey, and I appreciate their help in helping me
22 with the transition. And I've made it a point to
23 incorporate the five interdependent components of ONW
24 with all of the projects that are slated for the
25 Fiscal Year 2019, and I'm excited, and I am looking

1 forward to the projects to come to fruition. So, over
2 the last five weeks, it has been busy but productive,
3 and the following is an update for ONW:

4 The Career Fair took place on September
5 6th, 2018, at the Marriott Hotel. The goal of this
6 Career Fair was to bring together a diverse group of
7 healthcare employees and schools of nursing persons in
8 order for those that are actively looking for
9 employment and for enrollment in schools of nursing.
10 We had a total of 14 vendors to take part in the
11 Career Fair: six schools of nursing, two hospitals,
12 three nursing organizations, American Red Cross, and
13 Magnolia Health. The Career Fair was well received by
14 the vendors, and they would like to see us to continue
15 with the Career Fairs.

16 ONW Scholarships: The Office of Nursing
17 Workforce Budget has a line item of \$800,000 for
18 scholarships. On September the 7th, the application
19 was uploaded to the Mississippi Board of Nursing
20 website, and we also emailed all the deans and
21 directors for the schools of nursing to inform them
22 that that scholarship is available. The scholarship
23 application form is due on October 30th, 2018, and the
24 deadline for the submission of the accountability
25 forms and the scholarship recipient forms is June 1st,

1 2019. As of today, we have 23 applicants for the
2 scholarships.

3 On Projects, the first one is Dealing
4 with Clients with Challenging Behavior. The focus of
5 this project is to develop a statewide program to
6 educate nurses regarding Dealing with Clients with
7 Challenging Behaviors, and we are still in the
8 planning process for this, and we are looking at
9 getting facilitators and faculty to conduct the
10 workshops, as well as a needs assessments.

11 Telehealth is to be announced. However,
12 the goal of this is to incorporate the telehealth
13 components in the majority of the ONW projects.

14 The Substance Use Disorder: The focus of
15 this project is to develop a statewide program to
16 enhance nurses -- to educate nurses regarding
17 Substance Use Disorder in the healthcare workplace.
18 The workshop will be modeled after the workshop that
19 the National Council of State Boards of Nursing
20 conducts.

21 The LPN Faculty Simulation: The focus of
22 this project is to provide the LPN faculty the
23 opportunity to attend workshops or a series of
24 workshops, simulation-based education. The workshops
25 will be sponsored by ONW with no charge to the

1 attendees. The intent is to implement a state
2 educational program directed towards nursing educators
3 regulating healthcare delivery system, and we will
4 partner with the University of Mississippi Medical
5 Center, and CEUs will be offered. An email was sent
6 to all of the deans and directors informing them of
7 this faculty simulation. As of October 7th, we have
8 96 plus commitments for LPNs that would like to
9 participate in that workshop.

10 The Data Project: The system design and
11 programming is complete. Blue Consulting Group is
12 working to get the data to link together, and on
13 October 15th we will have a formal demo for the Data
14 Project. We will get weekly updates on this project,
15 and that started as of last Friday. So, each Friday
16 we will get an update as far as where we are on the
17 timeline for that particular project. We are targeted
18 to go live and have all of our data inputted in on
19 October 31st, and that concludes my report.

20 **DR. KING:** Thank you, Tywanda. I want to
21 tell you that, on behalf of the entire board, we
22 really appreciate the work that you have put into this
23 and working diligently, because I know it has not been
24 an easy task. So we appreciate you.

25 **MS. JONES:** Thank you.

1 Culpepper. Any discussion?

2 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

3 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

4 (ALL IN FAVOR)

5 **DR. KING:** Opposed?

6 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

7 **DR. KING:** Abstainers?

8 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

9 **DR. KING:** Motion passes. Agreed

10 settlement proposals are going to be December 4th,
11 2018. Disciplinary hearings are December 5th and 6th,
12 2018, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The panel for this is
13 Ms. Darlene Lindsey, Dr. Teresa Stanford, Ms. Nancy
14 Norris, and Ms. Sandra Culpepper. Our business
15 meeting will be held on December 7th, 2018, beginning
16 at 11:05 a.m. And that brings us to a legislative
17 update.

18 **MS. JOHNSON:** Good morning. No, I'm not
19 Trey Bobinger. However, Trey regretfully could not be
20 with us today, but he did send his report. You were
21 provided a report. It was emailed to you, and it
22 should be in your packet as well. So I will
23 highlight, because he gave an overview of what we have
24 done over the past year and also gave some
25 consideration for the upcoming legislative session.

1 So I wanted to really just high point those issues,
2 unless you have questions about what we have done over
3 the past year in legislation.

4 One of those is the full practice
5 authority. We, the Board, continue to support nurses
6 practicing to the full extent of their education and
7 training. And so we will be making sure that we
8 partner and assist those entities, the coalition that
9 will be going forward to look at the issues dealing
10 with full practice authority, and that includes MNA,
11 MANP, and MANA, as well as the National Council of
12 State Boards of Nursing.

13 The second one that we're looking at
14 considering for the legislative session this
15 legislative session is the MAP Program, which is our
16 Monitoring Alternative Program. We discussed and
17 explored the idea of drafting and having legislation
18 introduced in this session which would allow a viable
19 alternative to outright license suspension in limited
20 situations where the licensee is battling drug
21 addiction. The goal of the legislation would be to
22 help those licensees who are truly fighting addiction
23 but also protect the patients by providing the Board
24 the discretion and means to place restrictions and
25 oversight on such licensees. And several other states

1 have already enacted similar legislation. So we will
2 be looking at that during this session.

3 The third item is the Dialysis
4 Technicians. There has been some discussion with the
5 Governor's Office at their request regarding the
6 licensing of CCHTs which is currently being done by
7 the Board. They are interested in opening the
8 possibility of transferring the current licensing
9 process from the Board of Nursing entity. To be
10 clear, this issue is still in the preliminary stages
11 of discussion, and no final decisions have been made.
12 The Mississippi Department of Health currently has
13 some oversight of dialysis centers across the state.
14 So there's more to come on that, but that's one of the
15 issues that they have been talking about.

16 And the fourth issue -- and, Madam
17 President, you may want to elaborate on that -- is the
18 Rural Access Grant. If you would like, you can chime
19 in on that particular one, but we wanted to include
20 nurses particularly in that bill as well, as they have
21 already included physicians and some other entities,
22 like the dentists and so forth. And we feel like
23 nurses should also be included in that. So we will be
24 pursuing that legislation as well. Any questions?

25 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

1 **MS. JOHNSON:** Thank you.

2 **DR. KING:** Perfect. Thanks, Phyllis.

3 So, okay, you're up next too, so Executive Director's
4 Report.

5 **MS. JOHNSON:** And you have a copy of the
6 Executive Director's Report. While she is setting
7 that up, I do want to also inform you that I provided
8 an annual report from the Board's perspective of what
9 we have done over the past year. You have that in
10 your packet, and it will be available. I think we're
11 going to put it on the website as well, but it's just
12 an annual report.

13 I did want to highlight a couple of
14 issues with that while she is setting the other one
15 up. One of those would be the licensure aspect. It
16 has a nice picture of all you board members, not in
17 that one, but in the annual report. But I did want to
18 highlight a couple of issues. I broke it down by
19 departments as to our licensure statistics.

20 As you are aware, over the past year, it
21 involved the renewal process of the LPNs, and we had a
22 total of 15,812 renewal applications over the past
23 year. And the average number of business days that it
24 takes to process a completed application, which I
25 think is interesting, for nursing licensure is 1.2

1 days. So it's actually 1.2 days. We get a lot of
2 questions and customer service issues about that, but
3 we have been able to gather that data, and it's 1.2
4 days. And that's a completed application. Once
5 everything is complete, that's how long it takes for a
6 person to get licensed.

7 In addition, October the 5th -- this is
8 our renewal year for RNs which started September the
9 1st. So, currently, as of October the 5th, there were
10 7,062 RN renewals as of that date. So we have a lot
11 more RNs to renew, so we need to get busy with that.
12 I know Tina has done an excellent job and the
13 licensure staff in getting the word out and assisting
14 with the renewal process.

15 We have made some changes to the computer
16 system, which is our ThoughtSpan, that has also
17 accelerated the ability of RNs to get their licenses
18 done. They can be relicensed via their phone app.
19 They can go on the ThoughtSpan system. So there are a
20 lot of avenues available out there. We tested it. It
21 worked fine. We were able to do it. So there's no
22 need for anybody to not be able to renew and get all
23 of this done, and we are encouraging that they get it
24 done prior to the end of December. So don't wait
25 until the last particular day to get it done.

1 As for licensures, we have 51,263 RNs
2 licensed, 13,370 LPNs licensed. Of those, we have
3 4,633 nurse practitioners, 876 nurse anesthetists, and
4 33 nurse midwives. And the CCHTs, which are the
5 hemodialysis technicians, we have a total of 604 of
6 those. So I just wanted to give you those particular
7 figures and numbers to let you know basically the
8 amount of licensees that we're dealing with. You seem
9 like you had a question.

10 **DR. KING:** Could you repeat those
11 numbers?

12 **MS. JOHNSON:** All of them or just the
13 advanced practice breakdown?

14 **DR. KING:** Okay. I'm good. Got it.

15 **MS. JOHNSON:** You got it?

16 **DR. KING:** I got it.

17 **MS. JOHNSON:** Because it should be in the
18 packet. I just wanted to highlight that. And the
19 other information I had was dealing with the
20 Investigative Division, but all of that is in the
21 packet, showing you the number of investigations that
22 we're doing on an actual basis. We're averaging
23 about, I think, 66 allegations per month basically.
24 So that information is in your packet as well and
25 gives you a breakdown of how many outstanding cases we

1 have. I think we've had over a thousand
2 investigations, investigative cases over the past
3 year, and we currently have about 400, roughly 400
4 still open, and we have completed about 600. And that
5 was over the past year.

6 DR. STANFORD: Out of those allegations
7 you get every month, how many are legitimate?

8 MS. JOHNSON: The majority of them are
9 legitimate.

10 DR. STANFORD: Really?

11 MS. JOHNSON: I would say that very
12 seldom do we have frivolous. Out of the ones that we
13 get, I would say about 90 to 95 percent.

14 DR. STANFORD: Really?

15 MS. JOHNSON: Right.

16 DR. STANFORD: Okay.

17 MS. JOHNSON: Because we're dealing with,
18 most of them are drug related. So, that being said, I
19 think that's enough on the annual report. As you will
20 see, the report, the Executive Director's Report,
21 these are our updates. We have our Customer Service
22 Policy, which I did put a copy on the board members --
23 on the data for you. We talked about this during our
24 last board meeting, and this is something that the
25 staff came up with, and they feel real good about it.

1 I empowered them to come up with the customer service,
2 and we would like to make changes that we thought
3 needed to be in there, and we would like for the Board
4 to just make a motion to approve that so we can put it
5 with our Policy and Procedural Manual.

6 (PAUSE)

7 **MS. JOHNSON:** And I must say, I have
8 gotten several comments from our stakeholders in the
9 community on how well customer service has been done
10 at the Board.

11 **DR. KING:** So, once we have had time to
12 review the policy, I think Phyllis is asking for a
13 motion to approve this updated Customer Service
14 Policy. So do we have a motion to approve this?

15 **DR. STANFORD:** I make a motion to
16 approve.

17 **DR. KING:** Motion made by Dr. Stanford.
18 Do we have a second?

19 **MS. NORRIS:** I second it.

20 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Nancy Norris.
21 Any discussion?

22 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

23 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

24 (ALL IN FAVOR)

25 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

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(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

DR. KING: Any abstainers?

(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

DR. KING: Motion passes.

MS. JOHNSON: Thank you. We have the International Nurse Regulator Symposium coming up. We have several board members, I think, that are going to that. That would be this month, as a matter of fact.

We have an addition to the Board of Nursing, Wyatt Westley Mutziger. And I don't know if Westley, the proud daddy, is in the audience, but we are pleased to have this addition to the Board. And I must say, Big Westley is a different person now.

(LAUGHTER)

MS. JOHNSON: The NCLEX Test Review, I think we have Ms. Darlene Lindsey is going to be participating in that at this time, along with several of the staff members. This is a fun event, but we get a chance to go and take the NCLEX Test Review here, and it's in November, I believe, the first week in November. So several of us will get up and go and take that. It's, like, looking at the items and going through it and seeing it, you know, get a feel for what it's like, and then provide feedback to them as well.

1 **MS. LINDSEY:** We may feel it's fun. The
2 students may not feel it's fun.

3 **MS. JOHNSON:** Right. You know, with the
4 next generation NCLEX, I'm kind of anxious to take
5 this test. I may not be able to pass it, but we'll
6 see. But I'm glad that Darlene is participating in
7 that and highly encourage other board members. The
8 next time it comes up, let us know. We will be happy
9 to plug you in.

10 RN Renewals, as I said, that number has
11 changed, because it's over 7,000 now, I think 7,092.
12 And I would also like to take this opportunity to
13 congratulate our own board president, Dr. Melissa
14 King. She was honored in September, the last part of
15 September as one of the Mississippi Business Journal's
16 2018 Healthcare Heroes, so congratulations.

17 (APPLAUSE)

18 **MS. JOHNSON:** Upcoming -- well, Board
19 Visibility, we attended, as always, the Board of
20 Medical Licensure Hearings, and you will see the Deans
21 and Directors. The LPN Council, we had a great time
22 talking to the Council, and it was a very productive
23 event, I think so, and I appreciate our board member,
24 Sandra Culpepper, being there. As you know, Sandra is
25 the chair of the LPN Feasibility Committee. And so I

1 think it was a great opportunity to network and start
2 that partnership with the LPN community. Also,
3 Ms. Linda Shows, who is in the audience, was there,
4 and we appreciate Linda and what she has done to
5 assist with that effort as well. So, thank you,
6 Linda.

7 The Go Red Breakfast and the Go Red
8 Premier, which was last night, we're a part of that
9 sponsorship, and we think that's very important.

10 We had two people that went to the NCSBN
11 Board of Nursing Investigator Training, and we also
12 had some staff attend FARB, which is the Federal
13 Association of Regulatory Boards, which is always a
14 very informative session. That being said, the FARB
15 event that just happened was for legal people. I
16 think our Attorney General also had an opportunity to
17 attend that conference, so we appreciate her being a
18 part of that.

19 The next FARB session will be in NOLA,
20 New Orleans, Louisiana, in January. I already got the
21 save-the-date information. We highly encourage board
22 members to attend. I will be sending that out with
23 the dates. You need to go if you haven't been. It's
24 a great learning opportunity. Plus, it's in New
25 Orleans. But it is an excellent opportunity for you

1 to learn, as well as staff. That is one of the ones
2 that I highly encourage staff, as well as board
3 members, to attend. So I'll send out more information
4 about that.

5 We also attended the NCSBN Annual Meeting
6 and the NCLEX Conference. We had Ms. Talisha Greenlaw
7 and Ms. Alena Williams to attend that, because it's
8 what they do on a daily basis. So it was very
9 informative to them as well.

10 Upcoming Board Visibility, you mentioned
11 the MNA Convention that Dr. King mentioned. We will
12 be attending that. We have the American Heart
13 Association Heart Walk in November coming up. I
14 highly encourage board members to participate in that.
15 We have a little competition going on around here at
16 the Board with the staff, and they are highly engaged.
17 So they may be approaching you before you leave today.
18 But we would like to make a contribution to the
19 American Heart Association, and you can be a part of
20 that. We will have a team walking. We would like for
21 you-all to walk with us. We will have t-shirts made,
22 all of that. So I think it will be a good cause.

23 And I talked about the Symposium, that we
24 have some board members attending. And the Executive
25 Committee and the Finance Committee of NCSBN, we are

1 also a part of that as well.

2 And the next item up is the budget. So I
3 guess I'm Shan today too. I don't look like Shan, and
4 I don't look like Trey. So what you see is what you
5 get. You do have a copy of the budget that was
6 presented to you, and I can give you a brief overview,
7 if you would like, or are there any questions that the
8 board members have at this time?

9 (PAUSE)

10 **DR. KING:** So I think Phyllis is ready.
11 Do we need a motion to approve?

12 **MS. JOHNSON:** If there are no questions,
13 we would need a motion to approve the budget.

14 **DR. KING:** Is there a motion on the floor
15 to approve --

16 **MR. SHAW:** I make a motion we approve the
17 budget.

18 **DR. KING:** Motion made by Mr. Alton Shaw.
19 Is there a second?

20 **MS. TAYLOR:** I second.

21 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Brandi Taylor.
22 Any discussion about the budget?

23 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

24 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

25 (ALL IN FAVOR)

1 DR. KING: Any opposed?

2 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

3 DR. KING: Any abstainers?

4 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

5 DR. KING: Motion passes. Thank you,
6 Phyllis.

7 MS. JOHNSON: Thank you.

8 DR. KING: So this brings us to our
9 committee reports. So we have a couple of things to
10 come out of the Executive Committee today. The first
11 one is regarding the CCHTs. We recommend approval of
12 Facility Nos. 252535, 252549, 252505, 252572, 252506,
13 252503, 252521, 252562, and denial of approval for
14 Facility 252539 and 252501. So that is a
15 recommendation from the Executive Committee. So we
16 have a motion on the floor to approve and deny those
17 facility numbers.

18 MS. NORRIS: Motion.

19 DR. KING: Motion made by Ms. Nancy
20 Norris.

21 DR. STANFORD: Second.

22 DR. KING: Seconded by Dr. Teresa
23 Stanford. Any discussion?

24 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

25 DR. KING: All in favor?

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(ALL IN FAVOR)

DR. KING: Any opposed?

(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

DR. KING: Any abstainers?

(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

DR. KING: Motion passes. The next up from the Executive Committee is a motion for administrative denials for Case Nos. 2018-0429 and 2018-JS.

MS. NORRIS: I make a motion.

DR. KING: Motion made by Ms. Nancy Norris to accept the administrative denials. Is there a second?

MR. ADAMS: Second.

DR. KING: Seconded by T.J. Adams. Any discussion?

(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

DR. KING: All in favor?

(ALL IN FAVOR)

DR. KING: Any opposed?

(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

DR. KING: Abstainers?

(NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

DR. KING: Passes. The third recommendation is that we support legislative efforts

1 of our professional organizations and current
2 lobbyists for -- and I have a specific motion to bring
3 forward for the MAP Program, and it is, "I move that
4 the Board works toward legislative efforts to
5 authorize the Board to issue alternative-to-discipline
6 orders for licensees and/or applicants under its
7 jurisdiction." Do I have a second?

8 MS. TAYLOR: Second.

9 DR. KING: Seconded by Brandi Taylor.

10 DR. STANFORD: Would you read that again?

11 I'm sorry.

12 DR. KING: "I move that the Board works
13 toward legislative efforts to authorize the Board to
14 issue alternative-to-discipline orders for licensees
15 and/or applicants under its jurisdiction."

16 DR. STANFORD: Thank you.

17 MS. COLLINS: Isn't that one of the items
18 that Phyllis referred to earlier?

19 DR. KING: That Phyllis was referring to
20 earlier.

21 MS. COLLINS: So are we just going to
22 approve that piece of the legislative agenda, or are
23 we going to approve the entire legislative agenda that
24 they suggested?

25 DR. KING: That is specific to MAP. So I

1 would like to approve this one first, if that's okay,
2 and then we will move forward with the other
3 discussions that Phyllis was talking about. So we
4 have a motion made. I made the motion. It was
5 seconded by Brandi Taylor. Any other discussion?

6 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

7 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

8 (ALL IN FAVOR)

9 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

10 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

11 **DR. KING:** Abstainers?

12 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

13 **DR. KING:** Passes. And, then, Jan, to
14 your point, the other efforts that we have currently
15 is, of course, we will support full practice authority
16 every year as it relates to access to care and quality
17 care, and then the CCHTs being moved from --
18 transitioning from the Board of Nursing to another
19 entity or possibly Public Health.

20 And then the other one was what Phyllis
21 was referring to as the Rural Access Grant for monies
22 that keep providers in rural places in Mississippi.
23 The current authorization that is on the bill in the
24 statute lists physicians, DOs, and dentists, but
25 nursing is not included. So what we would like to

1 do -- the thought process is to go to those Public
2 Health and Welfare Chairs and ask if we could just be
3 added to that list of providers that helps keep rural
4 access available and include nursing into that current
5 statute.

6 **MS. LINDSEY:** I have a question, and if
7 it embarrasses me, I'm sorry. Have we voted on the
8 CCHTs? Was it maybe a meeting I did not attend of
9 asking for that to be taken out of the Board of
10 Nursing's authority? Have we voted on that as a
11 board?

12 **DR. KING:** We did that last meeting.

13 **MS. LINDSEY:** Okay. I just wanted to
14 make sure. Okay.

15 **MS. COLLINS:** I have a question as well
16 too. Does the Board of Nursing do a formal
17 legislative agenda that they send out to the Governor,
18 Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, and our
19 legislators, possibly something that we can support?
20 I mean, what is our position on that?

21 **MS. JOHNSON:** I don't think they have
22 done that in the past, Jan, but I can get with Trey,
23 and, certainly, if it's the board's wishes, we can do
24 that.

25 **MS. COLLINS:** Well, if it's something we

1 can show unified effort, you know, between the board,
2 if we voted on it, I think it would probably be good.
3 Trey would be the perfect person.

4 **MS. JOHNSON:** Right. And I can discuss
5 that with him and get back with the board if you would
6 like for me to do that.

7 **DR. KING:** Thanks, Jan. And we will
8 do -- I guess Trey will present that maybe at our next
9 board meeting.

10 **MS. JOHNSON:** Either that, or we can call
11 a special meeting, if you would like, and we can
12 discuss it at that time.

13 **DR. KING:** Thank you. The last thing
14 from the Executive Committee is the MOU/MOA between
15 the Mississippi Community College Board and the
16 Mississippi Board of Nursing for the LPN Transition,
17 Feasibility Transition which was passed. And everyone
18 has a copy on the board of the changes that have been
19 made to the MOU, which if passed here today, would
20 then be sent to the Mississippi Community College
21 Board for their review to bring back to us for any
22 kind of final approval. If they make any changes or
23 addendum to that one, then we would rediscuss it again
24 in December. So take time to read over that so that
25 we can -- we will need a motion to approve the current

1 MOU.

2 (PAUSE)

3 DR. KING: There was one piece missing
4 off the one that you're reviewing. So we're going to
5 get that updated and bring it back to the board. So,
6 until then, we can move on to the next, which will be
7 the Compliance Committee.

8 MS. LINDSEY: The Compliance Committee
9 has one motion to bring forward. "I move that the
10 Board adopt the Compliance Committee's recommendation
11 that the following affidavits/formal reprimands be
12 accepted for ratification." I will do license number
13 only. "R-862315, P-327986, R-880977, and P-328160."

14 DR. KING: We have a motion on the floor
15 from the Compliance Committee. Do we have a second?

16 MS. NORRIS: I second.

17 DR. KING: Seconded by Ms. Nancy Norris.
18 Any discussion?

19 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

20 DR. KING: All in favor?

21 (ALL IN FAVOR)

22 DR. KING: Any opposed?

23 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

24 DR. KING: Any abstainers?

25 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

1 **DR. KING:** Okay. Motion passes. Thanks,
2 Darlene. Advanced Practice, Dr. Stanford.

3 **DR. STANFORD:** Yes. We do have a couple
4 of motions coming out of Advanced Practice Committee.
5 First, "I move that, for special procedures, the Board
6 of Nursing requires a minimum of five procedures be
7 performed successfully under direct supervision.
8 However, individual facilities may deem a higher
9 number as their minimum requirement."

10 **DR. KING:** We have a motion on the floor
11 regarding special procedures for advanced practice
12 nurses and their minimum requirement for competency.
13 Is there a second?

14 **MS. CULPEPPER:** I will second it.

15 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Sandra
16 Culpepper. Any discussion?

17 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

18 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

19 (ALL IN FAVOR)

20 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

21 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

22 **DR. KING:** Any abstainers?

23 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

24 **DR. KING:** Motion passes.

25 **DR. STANFORD:** Secondly, "I move that our

1 previous motion regarding CRNA prescriptive authority
2 be amended to: In light of emerging federal
3 regulations regarding CRNA practice, that the current
4 AG Opinion regarding CRNA prescriptive authority be
5 reviewed and consideration given to prescriptive
6 authority within the confines of anesthesia."

7 **DR. KING:** We have a motion on the floor
8 by Dr. Stanford to amend, review, and submit an AG
9 Opinion regarding CRNA prescriptive authority. Do we
10 have a second?

11 **MS. NORRIS:** I second.

12 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Nancy Norris.
13 Any discussion?

14 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

15 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

16 (ALL IN FAVOR)

17 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

18 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

19 **DR. KING:** Abstainers?

20 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

21 **DR. KING:** Motion passes.

22 **DR. STANFORD:** This is not in motion
23 form, but, additionally, the Advanced Practice
24 Committee will get together and define "anesthesia" as
25 a reference to be used in this AG Opinion.

1 And, lastly, we have developed goals for
2 our upcoming year. The purpose of our Advanced
3 Practice Committee is that it is a longstanding
4 committee and is charged with addressing and
5 clarifying the scope of practice issues for advanced
6 practice registered nurses or APRNs throughout the
7 state. Therefore, our goals for the upcoming year
8 will be, number 1, to recognize emerging technology,
9 such as telemedicine, to aid in defining "scope of
10 practice" as questions and requests for procedures are
11 made by APRNs.

12 Second goal: Include evidence-based
13 practice and deliberations involving requests and
14 questions regarding scope of practice.

15 Number 3: Require all inquiries to
16 committees be prefaced with written details, to
17 include proposed policies, procedural details, and
18 education that is in place and will be utilized.

19 And, lastly, develop a decision tree to
20 be utilized by the requesting APRN that should be
21 included for all scope of practice requests in an
22 effort to place more responsibility on the requesting
23 APRN and to streamline the procedure for the
24 committee.

25 **DR. KING:** Thank you, Dr. Stanford. I

1 think we have our work cut out for us in that
2 committee as well. I appreciate you doing that. I
3 think all of the chairs of each committee have
4 actually worked really hard with their liaison on the
5 staff to help with setting goals and strategies to
6 accomplish certain things. So I really appreciate
7 that. Okay. So that brings us to the Practice
8 Committee, Ms. Shirley Jackson.

9 **MS. JACKSON:** Good morning, everyone.

10 Madam Chair, I have one motion to bring forward.

11 (Quoted as read): "I move that the Board adopt the
12 Practice Committee's recommendation to amend the July
13 27, 2018, Practice Committee's motion to the
14 following: It is within the scope of practice for an
15 LPN to connect, disconnect, and provide site care for
16 an indwelling Aspira peritoneal drainage catheter,
17 provided that all of the following basic requirements
18 are met:

19 "Bullet No. 1: The licensed practical
20 nurse is --"

21 (INTERRUPTION BY COURT REPORTER)

22 **MS. JACKSON:** "I move that the Board
23 adopt the Practice Committee's recommendation to amend
24 the July 27, 2018, Practice Committee Motion to the
25 following: It is within the scope of practice for an

1 LPN to connect, disconnect, and provide site care for
2 an indwelling Aspira peritoneal drainage catheter,
3 provided that all of the following basic requirements
4 are met. There are five bullets.

5 "Bullet 1: The licensed practical nurse
6 is educated and competent in the procedure. This
7 education and competency must be documented initially
8 and on an ongoing basis;

9 "Bullet 2: There is a prescription for
10 the procedure;

11 "Bullet 3: The licensed practical nurse
12 practices according to the generally accepted
13 standards of practice;

14 "Bullet 4: All necessary resources are
15 available; and

16 "Bullet 5: The facility has policies and
17 procedures in place addressing all aspects of this
18 issue."

19 **DR. KING:** So we have a motion on the
20 floor from the Practice Committee from our previous
21 business meeting because of some of the wording that
22 was included in it. Thanks, Tina, for bringing that
23 to our attention. So do we have a second?

24 **MS. TAYLOR:** Second.

25 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Brandi Taylor.

1 Any discussion?

2 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

3 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

4 (ALL IN FAVOR)

5 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

6 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

7 **DR. KING:** Any abstainers?

8 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

9 **DR. KING:** Thanks, Ms. Shirley. Okay.

10 So we will go through the other committee business,
11 and we will start with Administrative Code, Blake.

12 **MR. WARD:** Thank you, Madam Chair. As
13 the chairman of the Administrative Code Ad Hoc
14 Committee, the Board of Nursing Administrative Code
15 Committee is very active. It is up to the
16 Administrative Code Committee to develop rules and
17 regulations to keep up with the ever changing field of
18 nursing. The primary focus of the committee is to
19 complete and present updates to the Administrative
20 Code to the full board.

21 The sections reviewed over the last 12
22 months include Part 2815, Continuing Education. This
23 proposed rule was submitted August -- passed the full
24 board and was submitted to the Secretary of State
25 August 16th, 2018. Included in this update, it would

1 be established, if passed, mandatory continuing
2 education for all nurses.

3 Part 2830, the Practice of Nursing, this
4 section became effective November 1st, 2017. However,
5 there was an update to this rule submitted on August
6 16th, 2018.

7 Part 2840, Advanced Practice, this
8 section was reviewed, presented, and became effective
9 July 29th, 2017. However, there was also a new
10 proposed rule submitted on August 24th, 2018.

11 Included in this update was prescribing of controlled
12 substances which were based on the Governor's Opioid
13 Task Force Recommendations.

14 The goals for the next year are many.
15 However, they include review and updates for Part
16 2825, Rules of Procedure. We would like to see this
17 scheduled for a vote in December of 2018. This is
18 regarding legal procedures, legal process to bolster
19 the restoration section and others.

20 Part 2810, Examinations and Licensure,
21 there was discussion proposed May 10th, 2017.
22 However, no final rule was proposed.

23 Part 2820, Denial, Revocation, Suspension
24 of License, there was discussion proposed on May 10th,
25 2017. However, no final rule was proposed at that

1 time.

2 Part 2860, Certified Clinical
3 Hemodialysis Technicians, is up for review.

4 Part 2870, Definitions, there was some
5 discussion proposed June 20th, 2017. However, it was
6 determined that further work was needed as well.

7 And the final section was Part 2880,
8 which is Fees. Nothing has been proposed yet.
9 However, the fee schedules have been looked at.

10 The additional challenges of the
11 committee over the next year will include advanced
12 practice certification updates, reviewing those
13 certifications, and to determine what, if any, rules
14 will need to be added to the Administrative Code.

15 Secondly, establishing telehealth
16 regulations for all nurses. And I would like to have
17 the next committee meeting scheduled for November.
18 That would be ahead of our next December Full Board
19 Meeting. So I will be proposing that to the committee
20 shortly.

21 **DR. KING:** Thanks, Blake. I appreciate
22 all your hard work. I know those are long meetings,
23 and there's a lot done in those. So, thank you for
24 that. The next -- that brings us to the LPN
25 Transition Feasibility Committee, Ms. Sandra.

1 **MS. CULPEPPER:** Thank you, Dr. King.

2 This past year we worked very diligently within our
3 committee to research the transfer of the LPN programs
4 in the State of Mississippi to the Board of Nursing.
5 After much work through our committee, legislation was
6 passed to transfer them in April. And I apologize for
7 missing the last meeting, but my mom is doing better,
8 not great, but she's better. But, Dr. King, thank you
9 very much for handling that for us. I truly
10 appreciate it. But I heard and understand from the
11 minutes that there was a lot of hard work done with
12 the MOU. And at this point we would like to move
13 forward with Dr. King bringing out of Executive
14 Committee the MOU, as well as continuing to start on
15 the Administrative Code part of the transfer for the
16 LPN programs.

17 **DR. KING:** Thank you, Sandra. I know
18 that that was hard. I do want to bring attention to,
19 the committee did a ton of work and got us to where we
20 needed to be, along with the staff doing their
21 research and all of that. So, with that and with the
22 LPN -- it was an LPN Feasibility Committee. With the
23 passage and signage and implementation of the statute,
24 House Bill 721, that committee specifically will be
25 dissolved, because the charge has been complete of

1 identifying if it was feasible to come up under the
2 Board of Nursing. And, with that, we will be
3 establishing a separate ad hoc advisory committee to
4 discuss implementation and advise on rules and
5 regulations to the Administrative Code Committee on
6 how that needs to be developed further. So, thank
7 you.

8 **MS. CULPEPPER:** Thank you, Dr. King.

9 **DR. KING:** The next one is the Emergency
10 Practice and Standards Advisory Committee that we have
11 within the Board, and so we have made some significant
12 progress this year and have a lot more ahead of us.
13 But we have defined exactly what "emergency" is. We
14 have adopted the recommendations from national
15 organizations on the education, training, and
16 competency of nurses in those emergency settings, and
17 we also discussed the management of IV moderate
18 sedation, and it was amended to have the definition of
19 "emergency" in that, in the event that the emergency
20 nurses were having to assist and manage those
21 medications.

22 For the next year, we will be moving
23 toward more of an APRN and tele-emergency and
24 telehealth. I know that there's a common theme here,
25 and it's no secret that telehealth is my passion.

1 However, it's where healthcare is moving and where
2 we're going. And so I think that is going to be a
3 part of every committee's charge is kind of assisting
4 and helping get us up to speed of where we should be
5 with telehealth. So that is what's on the agenda for
6 the Emergency Practice and Standards until we get
7 other questions and something else arises.

8 Ms. Darlene Lindsey, Office of Nursing
9 Workforce.

10 **MS. LINDSEY:** All right. If I can give a
11 personal statement before I start, when I grew up, my
12 mother told me, she said I can do anything I want to
13 do if I work hard enough. So that is the beauty of
14 ONW. If we work hard enough, we do not have any
15 limits to where this group within the Board of Nursing
16 can go and how we can help the nurses in the workforce
17 in Mississippi. So I'm excited to be part of it. I'm
18 excited what we have planned for 2019.

19 I will tell you that, hold on, because
20 we've got some more things popping up here, hopefully
21 in December and definitely by February, but we've got
22 a lot of great things. And I do want to accent that
23 by saying that, when we looked at this, we have always
24 focused on RNs, LPNs, and APRNs. We have looked at
25 all three areas. And as I talk about it a little bit

1 later, you will see how we have addressed all of
2 those. I'm not going to bring up the APRNs yet,
3 because the need assessment has not been completed,
4 but they will have a component that will also be
5 addressed there. I wanted to thank my committee
6 members. I know the other ones didn't, but I want to
7 really thank mine, not that I'm the best chair.

8 (LAUGHTER)

9 **MS. LINDSEY:** The reason I want to do
10 that is because we were not authorized by the
11 president or charged until July. And so we did a lot
12 of work in a short period of time with the help of
13 staff. Shirley Jackson, Nancy Norris, and Alton Shaw,
14 thank y'all so much. They got tired of seeing my name
15 on their phone. I will truly believe that.

16 We have been very active in terms of
17 revising different forms in ONW. I want to thank
18 Ms. Jones. She has been such a trooper here in the
19 last couple of months. We talk pretty -- a lot, don't
20 we? We talk a lot. I do want to say that we do have
21 two motions coming out of the committee, and the first
22 motion is related to the LPN program.

23 **MR. SHAW:** The motion we have is: "I
24 move that the Board adopt the Office of Nursing
25 Workforce Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation to approve

1 funding within Fiscal Year 2019, not to exceed
2 \$100,000, for Simulation Training for Mississippi
3 Licensed Practical Nursing faculty to be provided by
4 the Mississippi Academy for Simulation Training
5 Program at the University of Mississippi Medical
6 Center."

7 **DR. KING:** We have a motion on the floor.
8 Do we have a second?

9 **MS. CULPEPPER:** I will second it.

10 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Sandra
11 Culpepper. Any discussion about that?

12 **MS. LINDSEY:** I'm going to share what an
13 opportunity this is for the ONW. It's our opportunity
14 to give back to the nursing community, and the need
15 was brought to our attention about the need for
16 simulation labs, experience for the LPN students.
17 Currently, in the RN category of nursing students,
18 they can have up to 50 percent clinical hours in the
19 simulation lab, and there's no standard yet for the
20 LPNs, but we know that there is a need for the faculty
21 to learn more about this type of education. The other
22 thing that's exciting is being able to partner with
23 UMC. And, as it gets completely finalized, we hope to
24 invite them to a board meeting and give them some
25 recognition for that, and that's all I needed to say.

1 **DR. KING:** Thank you. So we have a
2 motion, and we have a second. All in favor?

3 (ALL IN FAVOR)

4 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

5 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

6 **DR. KING:** Any abstainers?

7 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

8 **DR. KING:** Motion passes.

9 **MS. LINDSEY:** We have a second motion we
10 want to bring before the Board. It's on Operating
11 Guidelines for the Nursing Workforce Advisory
12 Committee.

13 **MS. JACKSON:** Madam Chair, "I move that
14 the Board adopt the Office of Nursing Workforce Ad Hoc
15 Committee's recommendation to approve the Office of
16 Nursing Workforce Advisory Committee Guidelines."

17 **DR. KING:** There is a motion on the floor
18 by Ms. Shirley Jackson. Is there a second?

19 **MS. TAYLOR:** Second.

20 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Ms. Brandi Taylor.
21 Any discussion?

22 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

23 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

24 (ALL IN FAVOR)

25 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

1 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

2 DR. KING: Abstainers?

3 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

4 DR. KING: Motion passes. So that will
5 circle us back to --

6 MS. LINDSEY: Can I just share our goals?

7 DR. KING: Oh, I'm sorry, yes. Please,
8 of course, yes.

9 MS. LINDSEY: All right, because we're
10 excited. I'm sorry, y'all need to jump on our wagon.
11 We're having a good time. What our goals are, are
12 connected with the five interdependent components of
13 ONW which was developed by the legislature. So what
14 we -- this is a long list, and I'm not going to share
15 this with you, but I want to show it to you. This is
16 Show and Tell, so y'all hold on. This is our goals
17 and our objectives (indicating). So there's a lot
18 here. I will be glad to show those to anybody who
19 wants to come up afterwards, and we will read them
20 together. Okay? But we have a lot that we have
21 proposed that we're going to do in 2019, and I'm
22 excited about it.

23 DR. KING: I will echo that and say I'm
24 very excited and will say again that, Darlene,
25 Tywanda, you guys have gone leaps and bounds and above

1 and beyond to get us where we are right now. So I
2 appreciate both of you. So now we'll circle back to
3 the MOU. I think you have, Brett gave us an updated
4 MOU, which if you'll look on the page, it's an
5 additional section of assurances, and that's what is
6 added from the original. So, therefore, there is a
7 motion that we would like to bring forward.

8 **MR. SHAW:** "I move that the Board approve
9 the MOA as recommended by the Executive Committee."

10 **DR. KING:** We have a motion on the floor
11 to approve the MOU between the Mississippi Community
12 College Board and the Mississippi Board of Nursing.
13 Is there a second?

14 **DR. STANFORD:** Second.

15 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Dr. Teresa
16 Stanford. Any discussion?

17 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

18 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

19 (ALL IN FAVOR)

20 **DR. KING:** Any opposed?

21 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

22 **DR. KING:** Abstainers?

23 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

24 **DR. KING:** Motion passes. Thank you.

25 Okay. With that, the next item on the agenda is the

1 election of officers. Sandra?

2 **MS. CULPEPPER:** Okay. As chair for the
3 Election Committee, I'm going to hand these out, I'm
4 guessing, but I will speak that the nominations were
5 consistent with the current Executive Committee as it
6 stands. And, so, with that being said, I'm going to
7 move forward with giving everybody their paper to fill
8 out.

9 **DR. KING:** Do you want to announce the
10 names and the positions?

11 **MS. CULPEPPER:** I'm sorry, yes.

12 **MR. SHAW:** I would make the motion that
13 the slate of candidates be elected by acclamation.

14 **DR. STANFORD:** Second.

15 **DR. KING:** Seconded by Dr. Stanford. Any
16 discussion?

17 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

18 **DR. KING:** All in favor?

19 (ALL IN FAVOR)

20 **DR. KING:** Opposed?

21 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

22 **DR. KING:** Abstainers?

23 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

24 **DR. KING:** Motion passes.

25 **MS. LINDSEY:** Now read it.

1 **MS. CULPEPPER:** All right. Nominated for
2 President, Dr. Melissa King; nominated for Secretary,
3 Ms. Nancy Norris; and as Treasurer, Alton Shaw. That
4 is your new Executive Committee for 2019.

5 **DR. KING:** Thank you, Sandra.

6 **MS. CULPEPPER:** You're very welcome.

7 **DR. KING:** Is there any other business?

8 (NO VERBAL RESPONSE)

9 **DR. KING:** Okay. So we're going to
10 adjourn for the hearing panel on the previous case
11 that was added to the agenda to go to finalize their
12 deliberations.

13 (OFF THE RECORD)

14 **DR. KING:** So, with that conclusion, I
15 would like a motion to adjourn.

16 **MS. COLLINS:** I so move.

17 **DR. STANFORD:** Second.

18 **DR. KING:** Motion made by Jan Collins and
19 seconded by Dr. Teresa Stanford. All in favor?

20 (ALL IN FAVOR)

21 (MEETING ADJOURNED AT APPROXIMATELY 12:25 P.M.)

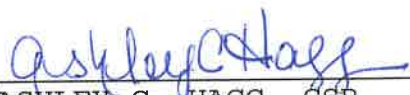
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