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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 24, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: None

**MEMBERS – VIDEO/AUDIO
PHONE CONFERENCE:**

Jessica Wilson, APRN, President
Audria Denker, RN, Vice-President
Ashley Adkins, Citizen-at-Large
Jana Bailey, APRN
Missy Bentley, RN
Jacob Higgins, RN
Jimmy Isenberg, RN
Susan Lawson, LPN
Erica Lemberger, RN
Adam Ogle, RN
Dana Steffey, LPN
Anne Venno, RN
Carl Vinson, LPN
Mandi Walker, RN

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Kelly Jenkins, Executive Director, KBN
Eric Velazquez, Resource Management Analyst, KBN

GUESTS PRESENT: Maribeth Jones – DaVita Kidney Care
Marsha Evans – American Renal Associates
Rob Crick – Fresenius Kidney Care

**GUESTS AND STAFF –
VIDEO/AUDIO
PHONE CONFERENCE:**

Jeff Prather, General Counsel, KBN
Erica Klimchak, Administrative Assistant, KBN
Adrienne Harmon, Executive Secretary, KBN
Amanda Honaker
Amy Ninneman, NISF Program Coordinator & Education Consultant,
KBN
Amy Simms
Amy Wheeler, Staff Attorney, KBN

Anna Darnell
Angel Bevins
Ashley Reed
Bernie Sutherland, Interim Education Consultant, KBN
Chrissy Blazer, Nursing Investigator, KBN
Heather Jones
Jaclyn Bitterman
Jennifer McMullen
Joy Pennington, Professional Consultant, KBN
Karen Hansen
Karen Lentz
Katie Gigliotti, DaVita Kidney Care
Keith Mentz
Kerstin Newsome
Kimberley Richmond, Professional Consultant (part-time), KBN
Laura Wagner, IM Section Supervisor, KBN
Libby Milligan
Lisa Jones
Lisa Peak
Lisa Scott, Nursing Investigator/Case Manager, KBN
Mary Bennett
Megan Thacker
Michele Dickens
Michelle Gary, Practice Assistant and Continuing Competency
Coordinator, KBN
Michele Simms
Morgan Hall, Legal Services Section Supervisor, KBN
Myra Goldman, Professional Support Branch Manager, KBN
Nathan Goldman, Hearing Officer, KBN
Ruby King, Credentials Branch Manager, KBN
Sarah Cecil
Siobhan Tellez
Sonya Hardin
Susan Lawson, Nursing Investigator, KBN
Tina Shoope, Professional Consultant, KBN
Tricia Smith, Compliance Branch Manager, KBN
Tyne Strickert
Valerie Jones, Education Consultant, KBN
Victoria Newsome

CALL TO ORDER

Audria Denker, Vice-President, called the meeting of the Kentucky Board of Nursing to order at 10:00 am on September 24, 2021 by videoconference via Zoom software application.

SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

Anne Veno was sworn in by General Counsel, Jeff Prather, as a Registered Nurse member. Ms. Veno fills the vacancy created by Kristi Hilbert's term expiration.

ROLL CALL/DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Erica Klimchak, Administrative Assistant, called roll. Dr. Denker declared a quorum.

NEW BUSINESS

Jeff Prather, General Counsel, explained that the Board had approved the following Kentucky Administrative Regulations (KAR) regarding Dialysis Technicians:

A. Consideration of proposed regulations related to Dialysis Technicians

1. 201 KAR 20:471 reg Repeal of 201 KAR 020:470
2. 201 KAR 20:472 reg Initial approval for dialysis technician training programs
3. 201 KAR 20:474 reg Continuing approval and periodic evaluation of dialysis technician training programs
4. 201 KAR 20:476 reg Dialysis technician credentialing requirements for initial credentialing
5. 201 KAR 20:478 reg Dialysis technician scope of practice, discipline, and miscellaneous requirements
6. Comments received to the proposed regulations related to Dialysis Technicians

The regulations were filed with Legislative Research Commission for consideration and stakeholders provided written comments. The comments related primarily to two regulations: 201 KAR 20:472 and 201 KAR 20:474. Board staff also provided a responsive written statement regarding why the regulations were drafted the way they were.

The following stakeholders addressed the Board regarding concerns with the regulations:

Maribeth Jones – DaVita Kidney Care

Rob Crick – Fresenius Kidney Care

Marsha Evans – American Renal Associates

Myra Goldman, Professional Support Branch Manager, provided the KBN staff response to the stakeholder concerns.

The following actions were taken after discussion and presentation of background materials:

201 KAR 20:472

- **IN SECTION 4(2) ADD THE SAME LANGUAGE REGARDING THE WAIVER OF EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS TO ALSO APPLY TO ASSISTANT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS**

Upon a motion made by Mandi Walker and seconded by Jimmy Isenberg, the Board approved the recommended change. No one voted in opposition or abstained from voting.

- **ADD THE SAME LANGUAGE FROM SECTION 1 REGARDING GRANTING PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS A 5-YEAR GRACE PERIOD FOR OBTAINING A BSN TO ALSO APPLY TO ASSISTANT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS**

Upon a motion made by Jimmy Isenberg and seconded by Mandi Walker, the Board approved the recommended change. No one voted in opposition or abstained from voting.

- **IN SECTION 5(4) ADD THE SAME EDUCATIONAL WAIVER STATEMENT TO ALSO APPLY TO BACHELOR'S DEGREES FOR DIDACTIC FACULTY**

Upon a motion made by Jana Bailey and seconded by Mandi Walker, the Board approved the recommended change. No one voted in opposition or abstained from voting.

- **IN SECTION 6(d) AMEND THE 160-HOUR INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENT TO ONLY APPLY TO PERSONS WHO HAVE 2 UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS ON THE FINAL EXAM. PRIOR TO THE 3RD EXAM ATTEMPT, COMPLETION OF A 160-HOUR INTERNSHIP IS REQUIRED.**

Upon a motion made by Jana Bailey and seconded by Jimmy Isenberg, the Board approved the recommended change. No one voted in opposition or abstained from voting.

Upon a motion made by Mandi Walker and seconded by Anne Veno, the Board approved the following recommendation: **TO DEFER THE GATHERING OF DATA RELATED TO EXAM ATTEMPTS AND SUBSEQUENT REPORTING OF THAT DATA TO A SUBCOMMITTEE.**

B. Consideration of proposed regulations related 201 KAR 20:320 and 201 KAR 20:215

1. 201 KAR 20:320 (Standards for curriculum of prelicensure registered nurse and practical nurse programs)
2. 201 KAR 20:215 (Continuing Competency Requirements)

Jeff Prather, General Counsel, explained that no action was needed on proposed regulations 201 KAR 20:320 and 201 KAR 20:215 at this time. The comment period ends on September 30, 2021, and Board staff will request a filing extension based on the comments received. The Board will address the received comments at the October Board Meeting.

C. Board Retreat Update

- Audria Denker provided an update regarding the Board Retreat.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Ashley Adkins and seconded by Jimmy Isenberg the meeting was adjourned at 1:23 pm.

ATTEST

APPROVED:



President

10/28/2021

Date