

**NEBRASKA BOARD OF ADVANCED
PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES
MINUTES OF THE TELEPHONIC MEETING HELD**

September 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The telephonic meeting of the Nebraska Board of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses was called to order by Alice Kindschuh, *Board Vice-President*, at 3:35 p.m., on September 17, 2018, at the Nebraska State Office Building, Licensure Unit Conference Room, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed in advance to the Board members, emailed to interested parties, posted outside the Licensure Unit within the Nebraska State Office Building, and posted on the Department of Health & Human Services website. Joyner announced that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was in the room.

ROLL CALL

The following board members answered roll call via teleconference:

- Sheila Ellis, MD
- Jenna Fiala, MD
- Stephen Jackson, *Public Member*
- Alice Kindschuh, APRN-CNS, *Vice-President*
- Michael Losee, *Secretary, Public Member*
- Michael Skoch, MD

The following Board members were absent: Barbara Foss, APRN-NP, *Board President*, Timothy Glidden, APRN-CRNA, and Jenda Stauffer, APRN-CNM

The following staff members from the Department were present during the meeting:

- Ann Oertwich, RN, *Executive Director*
- Sherri Joyner, *Health Licensing Coordinator*

The following staff members from the Department and the Attorney General's Office participated in the meeting via teleconference:

- Kathy Hoebelheinrich, RN, *Nursing Practice Consultant*
- Lisa Anderson, *Assistant Attorney General*

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Losee made the motion, seconded by Skoch, to adopt the agenda for the September 17, 2018, APRN Board meeting.

Voting Yes: Ellis, Fiala, Jackson, Kindschuh, Losee, and Skoch. Voting No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Foss, Glidden, and Stauffer. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: Skoch made the motion, seconded by Kindschuh, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2018, APRN Board meeting.

Voting Yes: Ellis, Fiala, Jackson, Kindschuh, Losee, and Skoch. Voting No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Foss, Glidden, and Stauffer. Motion carried.

These minutes were approved by the
APRN Board on December 3, 2018.

IMPLEMENTATION OF LB731

Oertwich explained that LB731, which was passed by the 2018 Legislature, requires certain professions, including Nurse Practitioners and Nurse Midwives, to complete three hours of continuing education (CE) in opiate prescribing in order to qualify for license renewal from 2020 to 2028. The boards for professions affected by the opiate education requirement are being asked whether or not licensees can use the three hours of opiate education to meet their current CE hour requirements or whether the three hours must be in addition to existing hour requirements. Because Certified Nurse Midwives do not currently have a continuing education requirement for renewal, Oertwich said she was asking the Board to make a recommendation for Nurse Practitioners.

MOTION: Kindschuh made the motion, seconded by Skoch, that Nurse Practitioners be able to count the three hours of required opiate prescribing continuing education towards meeting the current forty-hour continuing education requirement.

Voting Yes: Ellis, Fiala, Jackson, Kindschuh, Losee, and Skoch. Voting No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Foss, Glidden, and Stauffer. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Losee made the motion, seconded by Kindschuh, for the Board to go into closed session for the purpose of reviewing and discussing investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals.

Voting Yes: Ellis, Fiala, Jackson, Kindschuh, Losee, and Skoch. Voting No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Foss, Glidden, and Stauffer. Motion carried.

3:41 p.m. Meeting went into closed session.

3:55 p.m. Meeting returned to open session.

LICENSURE RECOMMENDATIONS**Morgan L. Mowery - APRN-Nurse Practitioner Application**

MOTION: Skoch made the motion, seconded by Losee, to recommend issuing an unrestricted APRN-NP license to Morgan Mowery.

Voting Yes: Ellis, Fiala, Jackson, Kindschuh, Losee, and Skoch. Voting No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Foss, Glidden, and Stauffer. Motion carried.

Matthew P. Schneider - APRN-Nurse Practitioner Application

MOTION: Ellis made the motion, seconded by Losee, to recommend issuing an unrestricted APRN-CRNA license to Matthew Schneider.

Voting Yes: Ellis, Fiala, Kindschuh, Losee, and Skoch. Voting No: None. Abstain: Jackson. Absent: Foss, Glidden, and Stauffer. Motion carried.

CONCLUSION AND ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherri Joyner
Health Licensing Coordinator