

MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATION
April 14, 2015

These minutes were
approved by the Board
on July 14, 2015

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Nursing Home Administration was called to order by Kevin Moriarty, Chair, at 1:02 p.m., at the Nebraska State Office Building, Lower Level Room F, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed to the Board Members and other interested parties in accordance with the Open Meetings Law.

The following members answered roll call:

Members Present:	Amy Fish	-	Member
	Renea Gernant	-	Member
	Kevin Moriarty	-	Chair
	Debra Sutton	-	Secretary
	Alexander Willford	-	Member
Members Absent:	Scott Bahe	-	Vice Chair
	Kathryn Hajj	-	Member (arrived 1:30 p.m.)
	Karen Jones	-	Member
	C. Dean Schmid	-	Member (arrived 1:12 p.m.)
Others Present:	Kris Chiles	-	Program Manager, Licensure Unit
	Nancy Herdman	-	Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure
	Ed Vierk	-	Assistant Attorney General
	Russ Fosler	-	Investigator

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Willford moved, seconded by Gernant, to adopt the agenda. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Fish, Gernant, Moriarty, Sutton, Willford (5). Voting nay: none (0). Absent: Bahe, Hajj, Jones, Schmid (4). Motion Carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (1-13-15)

Motion: Sutton moved, seconded by Gernant, to approve the 1-13-15 meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Fish, Gernant, Moriarty, Sutton, Willford (5). Voting nay: none (0). Absent: Bahe, Hajj, Jones, Schmid (4). Abstain: None (0). Motion Carried.

4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION - CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Gernant moved, seconded by Willford, to enter into closed session at 1:05 p.m. to hear discussions of investigative reports, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Fish, Gernant, Moriarty, Sutton, Willford (5). Voting Nay: None (0). Absent: Bahe, Hajj, Jones, Schmid (4). Motion carried.

1:08 p.m.	-	Fish departed meeting (conflict)
1:12 p.m.	-	Schmidt entered meeting
1:30 p.m.	-	Hajj entered meeting
2:00 p.m.	-	Fosler departed meeting

MOTION: Gernant moved, seconded by Willford, to enter into open session at 2:06 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Fish, Gernant, Hajj, Moriarty, Schmidt, Sutton, Willford (7). Voting Nay: None. (0). Absent: Bahe, Jones (2). Motion carried.

2:06 p.m.	-	Fish entered meeting
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5. APPLICATION REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION – OPEN SESSION

a. Convictions / Practice Prior to Application / Education / Reinstatements

Kelly Alderman – oversee more than one nursing home

MOTION: Gernant moved, seconded by Sutton, to recommend denial of a license to oversee more than one nursing home. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Gernant, Hajj, Moriarty, Schmid, Sutton, Willford (6). Voting Nay: None. (0). Abstain: Fish (1). Absent: Bahe, Jones (2). Motion carried.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Education Committee Report Relating to Proposed Legislative Changes to Statutes and Regulation Revisions (educational requirements)

Legislative Proposal: *Amend the Nursing Home Administrator Practice Act to change the educational requirements to require a baccalaureate degree for individuals seeking licensure after October 2017.*

Fish reported the bill (LB 353) was being held in committee. Fish was thanked for all her work on the legislative proposal. Fish reported the associations testified as neutral for the bill. Sutton reported that LeadingAge indicated they felt they could support it if the AIT issues were addressed. Moriarty suggested that it might be good to look at all the issues at one time and not just the degree requirement.

3:03 p.m. - Schmidt departed the meeting

The members discussed the need to involve all stakeholders if they want to move forward with statute/regulations changes. It was suggested that a committee of the Board be formed to gather input from stakeholders and that possible invitees to attend a meeting would be the Hospital Association, SECC, Bellevue University, UNO, LeadingAge, and NHCA. Fish, Sutton and Gernant agreed to serve on the Legislative Committee with Gernant as chair. Moriarty stated he would be willing to attend and would send out the invitation to stakeholders selected by the Committee. Chiles will coordinate a location when a date is known.

b. Other

There was no information to report.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Reports/Updates

- **National Association of Long Term Care Administrator Boards (NAB)**

There was no information to report.

- **LeadingAge Nebraska**

There was nothing to report beyond what was discussed in above agenda item.

- **Nebraska Health Care Association**

There was no information to report.

- **Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions Taken**

Chiles stated there were no actions to report.

- **Statistics: AIT/Mentoring/ Examination / Licensure / Administrative Penalties**

Chiles reported 6 individuals passed the examination and 7 failed since 1-1-15.

Chiles reported the following statistics:

NHA	384
Preceptor	81
Mentoring	10
AIT	4
Provisional NHA	15
Oversee more than 1 facility	18

b. Discussion Relating to Board Meeting Start Times

The members discussed changing Board meeting start times and agreed to leave the start time at 1:00 p.m.

c. Other

There was no information to report.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Fish moved, seconded by Willford, to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Fish, Gernant, Hajj, Moriarty, Sutton, Willford (6). Voting Nay: None. (0). Absent: Bahe, Jones, Schmid (3). Motion carried.

Chair Moriarty declared the meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra L. Sutton, Secretary
Board of Nursing Home Administration

Summarized by: Nancy Herdman, Health Licensing Coordinator