# NEBRASKA BOARD OF NURSING MINUTES OF THE EMERGENCY VIRTUAL MEETING

# October 29, 2024

# CALL TO ORDER

The emergency meeting of the Nebraska Board of Nursing was called to order by Theresa Delahoyde, Board President, at 11:30 a.m., October 29, 2024. The central meeting location was at the Nebraska State Office Building, Goldenrod Room, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln NE 68508. Copies of the agenda were emailed to the Board members on October 25, 2024, posted in the east entryway of the Nebraska State Office Building on October 25, 2024, and posted on the Department of Health & Human Services website on October 25, 2024. Joyner announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was available in the room.

Board members, staff, and the public were able to attend the meeting virtually via video conference or phone as authorized by Neb. Rev. Statue 84-1411(7).

#### **ROLL CALL**

The following board members attended virtually and answered roll call:

- Theresa Delahoyde, RN, Board President
- Mary Guthrie, Public Member
- Kathy Harrison, RN
- Clay Jordan, RN
- Lisa Kollasch-Parker, APRN-NP
- Angela Kula, LPN

- Patricia Motl, RN
- Eric Rogat, RN
- Kristin Ruiz, RN
- Jules Russ, Public Member
- Brenda Smidt, RN, Board Vice-President

The following board member joined the meeting virtually following roll call: Kandis Lefler, LPN (arrived at 11:36 a.m.).

No Board members were absent.

The following staff members from the Department were present at the central meeting location:

- Ann Oertwich, RN, Executive Director
- Sherri Joyner, Health Licensing Coordinator
- Anna Harrison, RN, DHHS Compliance Monitor
- Brittany Bigham, RN, Investigator

The following staff members from the Department and the Attorney General's Office attended the meeting virtually:

- Ginger Rogers, APRN-NP, Nursing Practice Consultant
- Teresa Hampton, DHHS Legal
- Danielle Sund, DHHS Legal

- Jeanne Burke, Assistant Attorney General
- Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Nursing on December 12, 2024.

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**MOTION:** Rogat made the motion, seconded by Smidt, to adopt the agenda for the October 29, 2024, Board of Nursing emergency meeting.

Voting Yes: Delahoyde, Guthrie, Harrison, Jordan, Kollasch-Parker, Kula, Motl, Rogat, Ruiz, Russ, and Smidt. Voting No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lefler. Motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

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

Voting Yes: Delahoyde, Guthrie, Harrison, Jordan, Kollasch-Parker, Kula, Motl, Rogat, Ruiz, Russ, and Smidt. Voting No: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lefler. Motion carried.

Delahoyde announced that the Board was in closed session for the purpose of reviewing and discussing investigative reports and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals.

11:36 a.m. Meeting went into closed session.

11:36 a.m. Lefler joined the meeting.

11:46 a.m. Meeting returned to open session.

#### CONCLUSION

The meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Joyner

**Health Licensing Coordinator**