

Arizona State Board of Nursing

Doug Ducey
Governor

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Executive Director



Special Board Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Arizona State Board of Nursing convened at 3:10 p.m., Friday, January 25, 2019, in Board Room A, at the Board of Nursing office, 1740 W. Adams Street, Phoenix, Arizona, with Randy C. Quinn, CRNA, President, presiding.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Randy C. Quinn, CRNA, President
- Dr. Carmen Hill-Mekoba, DNP, APRN-BC, Vice-President
- Cecelia Andersen BSN, RN, Secretary
- Theresa (Terri) Berrigan, LPN, C-AL, Member
- Elizabeth Boyer, RN, Member
- LaJuana Gillette, Member
- Lori Gutierrez, MSN, RN-C, Member
- Jana Machesky, LPN, Member
- Dr. Melinda Preston, DNP, APRN, PMHNP-BC, Member
- Dr. Lisa Smith, PhD, RN, CNE, Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

- Jana Machesky, LPN, Member
- Elizabeth Boyer, RN, Member

LEGAL COUNSEL:

- Elizabeth Campbell, Assistant Attorney General
- Sunita Krishna, Assistant Attorney General

STAFF DIRECTORS:

- Joey Ridenour, RN, MN, FAAN, Executive Director
- Janeen Dahn, PhD, RN, FNP-C, Associate Director of Investigations and Compliance
- Valerie Smith, RN, MS, FRE, Associate Director of Hearing
- Robert Ellis, BSIT, MBA, MPM, Associate Director of Operations

STAFF:

<p>Shawna Bonner, BSN, RN Nurse Practice Consultant Susan Bushong, B.A. Senior Investigator Stephanie Chambers, RN, MN, Nurse Practice Consultant Stephanie Cruz, Senior Investigator David Elson, Senior Investigator Cindy George, RN, BSN, Education Nurse Practice Consultant Kathleen Harrington, RN, MSN-INF, Program Administrator for ATD and Monitoring Kristi Hunter, MSN, FNP-C, Advanced Practice Nurse Consultant Dolores Hurtado, Senior Investigator Jennifer Ingram, Senior Investigator Paulette Jones, RN, MSN, NPC Investigations, CANDO Ruth Kish, MN, RN, Nurse Practice Consultant Emma Mamaluy, JD, Chief Counsel</p>	<p>Cindy Mand, MSN, RN, Program Administrator Pat Midkiff, MSN, RN, Nurse Practice Consultant Pam Millben, Senior Investigator Michelle Morton, Senior Investigator Naira Kutnerian, Legal Secretary II, Investigator Kirk Olson, Program Manager Eileen Owen-Williams, DNP, PhD, APRN, CNM, FNP, AFN- BC, FAANP, Advanced Practice Nurse Consultant Michael Pilder, MSN, RN, Nurse Practice Consultant Loral Anne Pultz, BSN, RN, Nurse Practice Consultant Kevin Rapkoch, BSN, RN, Nurse Practice Consultant Bonnie Richter, MSW, Senior Investigator Amy Steinbinder, PhD, RN, NE-BC, Education Program Admin Brent Sutter, Senior Investigator Pete Wittenberg, Senior Investigator</p>
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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m., Friday, January 25, 2019.

The following Board members were present: Quinn, Berrigan, Andersen, Gillette, Gutierrez, Hill-Mekoba, Preston and Smith

Quinn presided.

Quinn welcomed members of the audience, explained the procedure for addressing the Board, and stated the mission of the Board.

II.A. APRN/RN/LPN/LNA/CNA Investigative Report/Potential Summary Suspension pursuant to A.R.S. § 41- 1092.11(B), and/or Request to Accept a Consent Agreement and/or Adopt a Complaint and Notice of Hearing (Discussion & Decision)

II.A.1. Nathan Dorceuse Sutherland LP047882; UCNA1000007572 (Olson)

Quinn thanked all the multiple Board staff that have worked tirelessly over the last few days to make this case complete in such a short time period. Quinn also publicly thanked the multiple agencies that have assisted Board staff in gathering information to complete the investigation. Condolences to the victim in this case and victim's family and all those who have been affected by this individual's actions. The Arizona State Board of Nursing takes all sexual misconduct cases very seriously. On January 23, 2019, upon learning the identity of the nurse involved, this agency immediately opened a complaint. At this time, Mr. Sutherland has Voluntarily Surrendered his license. Mr. Sutherland is officially no longer a nurse.

III. Call to the Public

A public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. The Board may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. Members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H).

Two members of the public requested to speak. One thanked the Board for quick action on this case and wanted to know if the Board will open an investigation for the RN that supervised Mr. Sutherland and the CNA's in that facility. The public member asserted that it seems there is a big gap in the care and that they need to be held accountable as well. Another member stated that she supported the Board's actions in this case, but stated that her daughter's license was revoked for a minor traffic ticket. This member handed out a letter regarding her concerns.

Quinn stated that this matter has been investigated thoroughly and as more information comes to light if there is evidence of nurses who are unsafe to practice, this Board will continue to take immediate action as the investigation progresses.

IV. Adjournment

Quinn moved, Preston seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m., Friday, January 25, 2019.

Randy C. Quinn, CRNA, President