1. **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Jeanine Carr – Chair at VCFA, 36 College Street, College Hall (The Chapel), Montpelier; Board members present: Jeanine Carr, Ellen Watson, Deborah Swartz, Virginia Hudson, Sheila Davis, Kelly Sinclair, Douglas Sutton, William White, Jr., and John Welch, Jr. Staff members present: Linda Davidson - Executive Director, Jennifer Silverwood - Administrative Assistant, Ellen Leff - Nursing Case Manager, Eileen Paus – Education Program Manager, Larry Novins– Board Attorney, George Belcher – Hearing Officer; Lauren Hibbert & Annika Green - Prosecuting Attorneys; Others present: Scott, Knudsen, Jerome Holland, Thomas French, Esq., Jennifer Clark, Dana Antoine Rank, Dr. Cynthia Martindill, and Nancy Dwyer.

2. **Changes and Additions to the Agenda:**

3. **Approval of Minutes:**

   D. Sutton moved to approve the minutes of February 9th, 2015 with changes.  **Pass**

4. **Disciplinary Proceedings:**

   Plant, Lisa – Appeal of Preliminary Decision to Rescind LNA License. Lisa Plant was not present.
   
   D. Swartz moved to **AFFIRM** the preliminary decision to rescind the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant *Lisa Plant*.  **Pass**

   2014-657 Michael DeMello was not present. V. Hudson moved to **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** the license of Registered Nurse *Michael DeMello*.  **Pass**

   2014-188 Scott Knudsen was present. The Board went into deliberative session at 11:30 AM. The meeting resumed at 12:55 AM. **The Board will issue a written decision.**

   2013-768 & 2014-28
   
   Jerome Holland and Thomas French, Esq. were present. Jennifer Clark, Dana Antoine Rank, and Nancy Dwyer were present. The Board went into deliberative session at 1:35 PM. The meeting resumed at 2:15 PM. **The Board will issue a written decision.**

   2014-639 Shawna Kopchu was not present. D. Swartz moved to **REVERSE THE DEFAULT** order on the license of Registered Nurse *Shawna Kopchu*.  **Pass**

   2013-515 Karen Morin was not present. E. Watson moved to **WARN** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant *Karen Morin*.  **Pass**

   2014-403 Vanessa Lauzon was not present. J. Welch moved to **WARN** the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant *Vanessa Lauzon*.  **Pass**

   2012-759 Dale Kenyon was not present. D. Swartz moved to **CONDITION** the license of Registered Nurse *Dale Kenyon*.  **Pass**
2013-643  Kristie Jo Latimer was not present. E. Watson moved to WARN the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant Kristie Jo Latimer. Pass

2014-269 & 278  
Sara Sturgis was not present. D. Sutton moved to INDEFINITELY SUSPEND the license of Registered Nurse Sara Strugis. Pass

2013-767  Penny Verwey was not present. J. Carr moved to INDEFINITELY SUSPEND the license of Licensed Practical Nurse Penny Verwey. Pass

2014-175  Lindsey Kent was not present. S. Davis moved to REPRIMAND the license of Licensed Nursing Assistant Lindsey Kent. Pass

CLOSING REPORTS:

E. Watson moved to recommend that the following complaints be concluded without charges.

- 2014-566 D. Sutton recused
- 2014-609 D. Sutton recused
- 2014-738 D. Sutton recused
- 2014-467 J. Laurent recused

OTHER DISCIPLINARY ITEMS:

- M2014-92 Nicole Greenia was present by telephone. Welch moved to REMOVE CONDITIONS on the license of Licensed Practical Nurse Nicole Greenia. Pass
- M2012-59 (2012-155) Rebecca Hackett was not present. D. Swartz moved to REMOVE CONDITIONS on the license of Registered Nurse Rebecca Hackett. Pass
- 2013-203, 290, 637, 638, 688, 2014-17, 110, 157 – Dorothy Malone Rising was not present. E. Watson moved to GRANT CONTINUANCE on the license of Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Dorothy Malone Rising. Pass
- Current Discipline Cases – February 27, 2015 – The Board received and reviewed the current discipline cases with E. Leff.
- Disciplinary Sanction Documents – D. Sutton moved to establish an Ad Hoc committee to create documents regarding the Board’s position on lying, falsification, fraud, theft, and deceit.

5. Administration, Education, Practice, Licensure:

Executive Director’s Report: The Board received the written Executive Director’s Report and related documents provided in the Board meeting packet.

6. Public Comments: There were no public comments

7. Education:

Education Committee
- The Education Committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

LNA Programs
• Hartford Area Career & Technology Center – Biennial Approval
  E. Watson moved to approve the biennial approval of Hartford Area Career &
  Technology Center with a yearly review in December 2015. \textbf{Pass}

Nursing Education Program Approval
• Vermont Technical College – Practical Nursing Education Program
  E. Watson moved to grant continued approval of the Vermont Technical College
  Practical Nursing Program. \textbf{Pass}
• Vermont Technical College – Associate Degree Nursing Education Program
  S. Davis moved to grant continued approval of the Vermont Technical College
  Associate Degree Nursing Education Program. \textbf{Pass}
• Vermont Technical College – RN to Bachelor of Nursing Education Program
  E. Watson moved to grant approval of the Vermont Technical College RN to
  Bachelor of Nursing Education Program upon graduation of students in May 2015.
  \textbf{Pass}
• Vermont Technical College – LPN and RN Re-entry Program
  S. Davis moved to grant continued approval of the Vermont Technical College LPN
  and RN Re-entry Program. \textbf{Pass}

8. Practice:

  \textbf{Practice Committee:} The Practice Committee met on March 4, 2015.
  • The Practice Committee has been reviewing the APRN Sub Committee position
    statement on “Termination of the Provider-Patient Relationship”, a foot care position
    statement, and the “RN/LPN Scope of Practice with Decision Tree.”

  \textbf{Alternative Program Committee:} The Alternative Program Committee met on February
  24, 2015.
  • The Alternative Committee worked on the NCSBN audit tool. Will be finalizing a
    contract that is compliant with NCSBN.

9. Adjournment: J. Carr moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 P.M.
Minutes recorded by: Jennifer Silverwood, Administrative Assistant
Draft minutes reviewed by: Linda Davidson, Executive Director
Draft minutes approved by Vermont Board of Nursing: