

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

F I N A L M I N U T E S

MEETING OF:

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF
NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS**

TIME: 10:31 A.M.

Held at
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
2525 North 7th Street
CoPA HUB, Eaton Conference Room
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110
as well as
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

State Board of Examiners of
Nursing Home Administrators
August 6, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS:

Ilene Warner-Maron, Ph.D., RN, NHA, Chair
Arion R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau
of Professional and Occupational Affairs
Sara L. King, NHA, Vice Chair
David R. Hoffman, JD, Public Member, Secretary
Ann Chronister, Designee, Department of Health
Michael P. Kelly, NHA - Absent
Francis J. King, NHA
Robert L. Wernicki, NHA
Carrie E. Wilson, Designee, Office of Attorney
General, Bureau of Consumer Protection

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Judith Pachter Schulder, Esquire, Board Counsel
Thomas M. Davis, Esquire, Regulatory Board Counsel
Trista Boyd, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Deidre Bowers, Board Administrator
Tom Miller, BPOA staff

ALSO PRESENT:

Jacob Hill, Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc.

State Board of Examiners of
Nursing Home Administrators

August 6, 2025

[Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act,
at 10:00 a.m. the Board entered into Executive
Session with Judith Pachter Schulder, Esquire, Board
Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial
deliberations and to receive legal advice. The Board
returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.]

The regularly scheduled meeting of the State
Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators was
held on Wednesday, August 6, 2025. Ilene Warner-
Maron, Ph.D., RN, NHA, Chair, called the meeting to
order at 10:31 a.m.

Roll Call of Board Members

[Deidre Bowers, Board Administrator, provided a roll
call of Board members and introduction of attendees.
A quorum of Board members was present.]

[Judith Pachter Schulder, Esquire, Board Counsel,
noted the meeting was being recorded and voluntary

1 participation constituted consent to be recorded.]

2 ***

3 Approval of Minutes of May 7, 2025 meeting

4 CHAIR WARNER-MARON:

5 Does anyone have any revisions or
6 changes in any way of our previous
7 minutes from May 7 meeting?

8 If not, can we have a motion to
9 approve the minutes?

10 MR. KING:

11 So moved.

12 MS. CHRONISTER:

13 Second.

14

15 Warner-Maron, aye; Claggett, abstain;
16 Sara King, aye; Hoffman, aye;
17 Chronister, aye; Francis King, aye;
18 Wernicki, aye; Wilson, aye.

19 [The motion carried. Arion Claggett abstained from
20 voting on the motion.]

21 ***

22 Report of Prosecutorial Division - No Report

23 ***

24 Appointment(s) - No Report

25 ***

1 Report of Board Counsel - 16A-6221 Proposed Annex
2 Continuing Education
3 [Judith Pachter Schulder, Esquire, Board Counsel, and
4 Thomas M. Davis, Esquire, Regulatory Counsel,
5 discussed the Continuing Education regulation, 16A-
6 6221, with the Board.

7 Ms. Pachter Schulder reminded the Board of its
8 discussion at its last meeting regarding the addition
9 of topics, such as mental health, in the continuing
10 education regulation.

11 Mr. Davis reviewed the proposed Annex. He stated
12 the Nursing Home Administrators License Act requires "not
13 less than 24 hours of continuing education," but
14 Section 31.11 of the Board's regulations require 48
15 clock hours. The Board wanted the ability to decide
16 the specific topics to be included in the remaining
17 36 hours of continuing education, not assigned in
18 subsection (a).

19 Ms. Pachter Schulder directed the Board's
20 attention to the requirement that at least 12 of the
21 required 48 clock hours in emergency preparedness and
22 infection control beginning with the July 1, 2022-
23 June 30, 2024 renewal period. She noted Mr.
24 Hoffman's suggestion at the Board's last meeting of
25 adding mental health to the credit hours, and Mr.

1 King's question as to whether there is a need for all
2 12 credit hours to be emergency preparedness and
3 infection control. She also commented on subsection
4 (i) with regard to a discussion Mr. Davis had with
5 the Board related to the Board having the authority
6 to assign additional credit hours if desired.

7 Ms. Pachter Schulder questioned Mr. Davis as to
8 whether language needed to be added to the regulation
9 if the Board wanted the authority to be able to
10 decide, on a biennial period, what specific course
11 requirements the Board needed in order to fulfill the
12 12 credit hours needed.

13 Mr. Davis confirmed the language of the
14 regulation does allow the Board to direct what
15 subjects of study should be contained in the
16 remaining hours.

17 Ilene Warner-Maron, Ph.D., RN, NHA, Chair,
18 stated the Board wants to have the ability to take
19 those 12 hours and change them as the Board sees fit.

20 Mr. King concurred with this statement. Mr. Hoffman
21 mentioned having the flexibility of having the 12
22 hours to at least modify the education.

23 Ms. Warner-Maron added that Mr. Hoffman's idea of
24 adding some behavioral health categories, along with
25 the disaster control and infection control, could all

1 be mandatory.

2 Ms. Pachter Schulder clarified that the
3 recommendation is that subsection (a) would be
4 amended by deleting the language in it and subsection
5 (i) and replacing it with the requirements that with
6 adequate notice, the Board can direct the required
7 topics to be completed in the 12 hours for any
8 biennial period.

9 Discussion then ensued with Ms. Warner-Maron
10 informing Mr. Davis of the Board's desire to give
11 nursing home administrators some autonomy in the
12 decision-making process of determining education
13 hours and, additionally, the diverse backgrounds of
14 personnel within the nursing field. Possible
15 justifications for changing regulation requirements
16 as the changing times might dictate were discussed.

17 Mr. Davis suggested redrafting the Annex and
18 present it for the Board's review at its next
19 meeting.

20 Ms. Pachter Schulder questioned the Board as to
21 additional topics to discuss with Mr. Davis regarding
22 their preference for deciding the 12 credit hours of
23 education.

24 Ms. Warner-Maron brought up the subject of
25 cannabis use potentially moving from a Schedule 1

1 controlled substance to something else and that there
2 should be significant education about this. Nursing
3 homes, Medicare and Medicaid were also discussed in
4 the context of imminent and legal reprisals if
5 cannabis were to remain a Schedule 1 controlled
6 substance.

7 Additional considerations discussed for the 12
8 credit hours to be determined by the Board included,
9 but were not limited to, homelessness, mental health,
10 trauma, facility assessments, and patient safety.

11 Mr. Davis asked if the Board wanted to just keep
12 the regulation as a proposed regulation at this
13 moment in time, so it could retain the flexibility of
14 it. Ms. Pachter Schulder responded in the
15 affirmative, and stated that would be in the
16 regulation.

17 Ms. Warner-Maroon asked if someone with the
18 experience of being a nursing home administrator in
19 charge of a large organization with a panoply of
20 continuing care options would qualify for licensure.

21 She was told it would not.

22 Comments from other Board members included
23 questions and answers about what qualifies an
24 applicant to become licensed if only having worked in
25 a nursing home, NHA licenses, personal care, and

1 assisted living facilities. It was noted, if a nurse
2 has a valid license and kept up with their 48
3 biennial credit hours, he or she would continue to be
4 licensed and able to work in any aspect of personal
5 care.]

6 ***

7 Report of Board Chairperson - Temporary Permit
8 Applications

9 [Ilene Warner-Maron, Ph.D., RN, NHA, Chair, reported
10 four temporary permit applications were approved

11 Ms. Pachter Schulder stated the Board needed a
12 motion to ratify the approvals. The names of the
13 applicants were Glenn Brooks, Joshua Dvorak, Reuven
14 Neuman, and Tammy Sheeley.]

15 MR. KING:

16 So moved.

17 MR. HOFFMAN:

18 Second.

19

20 Warner-Maron, approve; Claggett, aye;

21 Sara King, aye; Hoffman, aye;

22 Chronister, aye; Francis King, aye;

23 Wernicki, aye; Wilson, aye.

24 [The motion carried unanimously.]

25

1 Report of Acting Commissioner - No Report

2 ***

3 Report of Board Administrator - No Report

4 ***

5 Report of Board Members - No Report

6 ***

7 Report of Committees - AIT Review Committee

8 [Robert L. Wernick, NHA, reported the AIT Review
9 Committee approved 8 applications.

10 The names were as follows: Michelle Yeingst,
11 Raaghib Hamid, Allison Sullivan, Pierre Bollok,
12 Jessica Joy, Lilyana Wagner, Michelle Jefferys and
13 Vanessa Klein.]

14 ***

15 Report of Committees - Examination Committee

16 [Ms. Pachter Schulder announced the approval of the
17 following applicant names from the Examination
18 Committee: Kristin Barnock, Jack Dempsey, Stephanie
19 Ginnery, Percival Magat, Meir Goldstein, Steven
20 Steinmetz, Benjamin Munk, Terry Ziegler, Tzvi Sender,
21 Gregory Toot, Faith Artley, Mistie Clark, Lisa
22 Wilson, Julie Wetzel, Christine Martin, Ezra
23 Bogopulsky, Reuven Neuman, and Samuel Szklarz.

24 The following applicants were approved by
25 endorsements: Joshua Dvorak, Glenn Brooks, Jacob

1 Whitehead, Matthew Lazerowitz, Alexander Freedman,
2 Kaitlyn Haynes, Colin McGrath, and Mark Dembitzer.

3 The following applicants were approved by AIT:
4 Juan'yaha Worthey, Aliegh Kradel, Max Marcus, Donna
5 Daniels-Walters, Sheila Nieves, and Tarraney Gallo.]

6 ***
7 Report of Committees - Continuing Education Committee
8 [Chair Warner-Maron announced the approval of
9 following 3 programs: Lehigh Valley Aging in Place
10 Coalition, Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine,
11 and HVA Senior Living Alliance.]

12 ***
13 Discussion Items - Board Committee Assignments
14 [Mr. Hoffman stated, for the Board's information,
15 that Ms. Warner-Maron and he had an article published
16 in the *Saint Louis University Journal of Health*
17 *Policy, Health Law and Policy* titled the
18 "Intersection of Regulation, Quality Care Delivery,
19 and Ethics and Compliance."]

20 ***
21 Correspondence - No Report

22 ***

23 ***

24 Adjournment

25 CHAIR WARNER-MARON:

1 May I have a motion for adjournment?

2 MR. KING:

3 So moved.

4 MR. HOFFMAN:

5 Second.

6 CHAIR WARNER-MARON:

7 Thank you very much.

8 ***

9 [There being no further business, the State Board of
10 Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators Meeting
11 adjourned at 11:11 a.m.]

12 ***

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators meeting.



Jacob Hill,

Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting
Service, Inc.

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF
NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS
REFERENCE INDEX

August 6, 2025

TIME

AGENDA

10:00	Executive Session
10:30	Return to Open Session
10:31	Official Call to Order
10:31	Roll Call
10:32	Approval of Minutes
10:33	Report of Board/Commission Counsel
10:59	Report of Chairperson/Chairman
11:06	Report of Committees
11:09	Miscellaneous/Discussion Items
11:09	Adjournment