

**BOARD OF DIETITIAN/NUTRITIONIST EXAMINERS
MINUTES**

DATE: September 17, 2009

TIME: 10:00 a.m. C.D.T

LOCATION: 227 French Landing
Heritage Place, Metro Center
Ground Floor, Poplar Conference Room
Nashville, TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: Demetra Pratt, D/N, Chair
Gwendolyn Blackman, D/N
Liang-chu K. Daniel, D/N
Kim Pryor, D/N
Janet Skates, D/N, Secretary
Carol Miller, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT: Marva Swann, Board Director
Karen Robinson, Board Administrator
Lucy Bond, Assistant General Counsel
Juanita Stone, Disciplinary Coordinator
Libby Miller, HRB Director

GUEST: John Williams, Tennessee Dietetic Association

With a quorum being present, Ms. Pratt called the meeting to order at 10:10 a. m.

Conflict Of Interest

Ms. Bond instructed Board members of their responsibilities under the Conflict of Interest Policy.

Contested Case Hearing for Stephanie J. Wilson, L.D.N. License #1102

Lucy Bond, Staff Attorney for the Tennessee Department of Health presented the case of Stephanie J. Wilson, L.D.N. license #1102 to the Board. Judge Mattielyn Williams presided. Ms. Wilson was not present or represented by counsel. Ms. Pryor made a motion seconded by Ms. Carol Miller to proceed in default. The motion carried. Ms. Janet Skates recused herself from the proceedings.

Findings of Fact:

1. The Board licensed Ms. Wilson to practice as a dietitian/nutritionist in the State of Tennessee on April 5, 2000 with a current expiration date of March 31, 2011.
2. On October 23, 2008, Ms. Wilson pled guilty in the criminal circuit court in Sullivan County, Tennessee, to one (1) count of TennCare Fraud, a class D felony.
3. Ms. Wilson through her actions placed clients in harm's way by lack of providing proper nutrition care.

Ms. Carol Miller made a motion seconded by Ms. Daniel to accept the findings of fact. The motion carried.

Conclusions of Law:

The facts in this Order were sufficient to find Ms. Wilson to be in violation of T.C.A. § 63-25-101. The Board is empowered by T.C.A. § 63-25-110 (a)(2)(4) to take disciplinary action when a licensee is found to have engaged in unethical or unprofessional conduct and been convicted of a felony or any offense under state or federal laws involving moral turpitude.

Ms. Pryor made a motion seconded by Ms. Blackman to accept the conclusions of law. The motion carried.

Ms. Carol Miller made a motion seconded by Ms. Pryor to revoke Ms. Wilson's license. The motion carried. Ms. Pryor moved to amend the previous motion to revoke Ms. Wilson's license for a period of two (2) years and to require that she receive fifteen (15) hours of ethical training through an approved continuing education program before reinstatement. She would also be required to receive an additional twenty-five (25) hours of continuing education through the American Dietetics Association or another approved provider on the dietitian/nutritionist scope of practice and clinical skills, which should include Medicaid and Medicare billing and charting. Ms. Carol Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ms. Wilson was assessed one (1) Type A civil penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) and costs of this action. Ms. Pryor made a motion seconded by Ms. Daniel to take this action regarding the license of Ms. Wilson. A roll call vote was taken with every member voting in the affirmative.

The Board approved a policy statement that this action was taken to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Tennessee.

Office of General Counsel Report

There are currently no rules and regulations pertaining to the Board of Dietitian/Nutritionist Examiners in process at the Office of General Counsel.

Litigation

There is currently one (1) case open in the Office of General Counsel that was set to be heard at this meeting.

Minutes

Ms. Blackman made a motion seconded by Ms. Carol Miller to approve the minutes of March 5, 2009 as amended by attaching a copy of the revised lapsed license policy, the policy regarding an equivalent course of study approved by the Board for licensure and clarification of the statement regarding the Board's finances. The motion carried.

Ms. Skates made a motion seconded by Ms. Pryor to receive minutes and any other pertinent documents at least two weeks prior to the Board meeting. The motion carried.

Investigative And Disciplinary Reports

Through August of 2009 there were five (5) open complaints, two (2) were closed with no action and three (3) were referred to OGC. There are currently no open complaints in the Office of Investigations.

There are no dietitian/nutritionists being monitored for disciplinary action at this time.

Ratifications

Ms. Skates made a motion seconded by Ms. Carol Miller to approve the following lists of new licenses and reinstated licenses. The motion carried.

NEW LICENSES

STACEY JANE ABRAM
ELIZABETH T ANDERSON
KRISTIN MARNEE BETTIS
NOOR A BRIFKANI
LISA GAIL BURKE
LAURA HUTTON CAMPBELL
JAMIE LEVITT CARPENTER
LEATHA DENISE CHAMBERS
CHRISTIN KIMBERLY
DARNELL
SHAINA MARIE DAVIS
ALLISON B DILZELL
ALICE WHITTAKER
EDWARDS
AMY LYNN ELLIS
KATHERINE TEAGUE
FOWLER
DEBBIE M GANDY
AILISH GARRETT
LAURA BETH HILLIARD
KERI BETH HOWELL
HUIMEI HSU
SAMANTHA LYNN HUTSON
LAURA MARY JACONETTA
AMY RENEE JEWELL

ANITA LUCILLE JONES
AMANDA KIRKPATRICK
DEBORAH ESTHER LANE
RACHEL JOANNE LAUGHLIN
MARCI ANN LODOR
MAUREEN RENEE
MAIORANO
ELIZABETH SISSON MARTIN
LISA FINCHER MCCUNE
JAMIE LAUREN MCDERMOTT
STEPHANIE ANN MCGRATH
REBECCA JO MEHR
CARI JO MEYER
LINDSEY ERIN NEELEY
DORILEE CHRISTINE
NEUFELD
RACHEL ANN O'CONNOR
JULIA ANN PEEK
KIMBERLY MOORE
PETERSEN
RACHEL LOUISE REID
LARYSSA JEWELL
RICHMOND
LEE ANNE ROACH
KEELY ROGERS SANDLIN

BRITTANY SHER SARVADI
SANDRA VESTA SILVER
HEATHER LYNN SMITH
REBECCA BRYAN SMITH
BARBARA D. SNIDER
WENDY ELIZABETH STINSON
HEATHER MICHELLE
SZAROLETA
MARY ALLISON TIDWELL
RACHEL ELIZABETH TURNER

JENNIFER ANN VAUGHN
ANGELA MARIE WALLICK
DENISE J WIGGINTON
VIRGINIA WAYNE
WILLINGHAM
TANGIE DUKE WISEMAN
AGNIESZKA MICHALOW
ZARYCKI

REINSTATEMENTS

ELIZABETH CURRAN DUNLAP
SANDRA LEIGH GODWIN
GLORIA LYONS HIBBLER
KATHRYN REASOR MAZWELL

MARY JANE PARSONS MILLER
HOLLIE ANNE RAYNOR
KIMBERLY WILHELM SCOTT
SARA OSSERMAN YATES
JENNIFER HOLT ZSOHAR

Administrator's Report

- 1317 active licensees

Board activity from February 28, 2009 through August 31, 2009

- New licenses—59
- Reinstated licenses—9

The Board was informed that not only can a licensee renew online but they are also sent a paper renewal at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration date of their license. Licensees are instructed to keep their addresses current with the Board to receive certificates and other information timely.

Board Members

There are currently no vacancies.

Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

These minutes were ratified at the March 18, 2010 meeting.