

Tennessee Board of Nursing  
665 Mainstream Drive  
Electronic Meeting/Poplar Room  
Nashville, Tennessee

Disciplinary Meeting  
MINUTES  
February 27, 2023

Monday, February 27, 2023

Call to Order: The electronic meeting of the Tennessee Board of Nursing was called to order at 1:27 pm, February 27, 2023, in the Poplar Room conducted by WebEx.

In order to ensure all requirements were met to have a valid electronic meeting several requirements for electronic meetings were reviewed with the board – each of which required a roll call vote. Participants were asked to introduce self each time before speaking.

Sherry Richardson, conducted roll call to ensure each participant was connected:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Amber Wyatt, RN	Y	N
Martina Harris, RN	Y	N
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	None

Sherry Richardson conducted roll call to determine that each participant heard the responses of all other participants:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Amber Wyatt, RN	Y	N
Martina Harris, RN	Y	N
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N

A quorum was present pursuant to T.C.A. 63-7-116 (i) - for disciplinary matters 3 or more members shall constitute a quorum. The meeting was being held in order to protect the public by

timely considering a petition for reconsideration and any suspension and orders of discipline for ratification.

Mr. Alston joined the WebEx at this time as he experienced technical issues earlier. Ms. Richardson conducted roll call to request that Board members identify anyone else in the room with them at their location:

<u>Name</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>
Amber Wyatt, APRN	alone
Martina Harris, APRN	alone
Dru Malcolm, RN	alone
Samuel Alston, LPN	alone

Ms. Richardson introduced TDH staff present: Mark Waters, Eric Winters, Therese McLean. Melinda Cantrell, Court Reporter, was also present. Teresa Phillips, Executive Director of TnPAP was present as well. Judge Claudia Padfield with the Secretary of State's Administrative Procedure's Division was present as well. The respondent, Jared Carpenter and his attorney Chris Tardio were also connected. TDH staff member Elizabeth Cooper joined at 2:09 p.m.

Board members were asked to verify that all documents were received by cloud link. All board members verified the link was received and they had access to documents.

Dr. Malcolm made a motion to proceed to conduct this meeting electronically. Ms. Wyatt seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Amber Wyatt, RN	Y	N
Martina Harris, RN	Y	N
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N

Motion carried.

Ms. Richardson asked for a motion and a second followed by a roll call to determine if the matter or matters to be discussed meet the following requirements for an electronic meeting:

1. The subject matter requires timely action.

2. The physical presence of all members of the Board is not possible considering the time required for action, and
3. The participation by some or all the members of the board by electronic or other means is necessary.

Ms. Wyatt made a motion to find that the requirements for an electronic meeting have been met. Mr. Alston seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

<u><b>NAME</b></u>	<u><b>RESPONSE</b></u>	
Amber Wyatt, RN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Martina Harris, RN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Dru Malcolm, RN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Samuel Alston, LPN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>

Motion carried.

Ms. Richardson reminded each participant to introduce themselves each time before speaking and turned the electronic meeting over to the Ms. Wyatt, Panel Chair.

Ms. Wyatt turned the meeting over to Judge Padfield and Mr. Kevin Griffin, Assistant General Counsel.

Hearing—Jared J. Carpenter, KY RN #1161567, Docket # 17.19-214675A

Mr. Kevin Griffin, Associate General Counsel, opened the meeting stating the reasons for the meeting of the panel to hear the petition for reconsideration of discipline for Jared J. Carpenter, KY RN #1161567. Mr. Jared Carpenter and his attorney Chris Tardio were connected.

Following presentation and discussion by the panel, Mr. Alston moved deny the petition reconsideration of discipline in the state’s proposed order. Dr. Harris seconded, roll call vote:

<u><b>NAME</b></u>	<u><b>RESPONSE</b></u>	
Amber Wyatt, RN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Martina Harris, RN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Dru Malcolm, RN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Samuel Alston, LPN	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>

Motion carried.

Dr. Harris proposed language for the denial of the petition reconsideration of discipline in the state’s proposed order. Mr. Alston seconded, roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>	
Amber Wyatt, RN	Y	N
Martina Harris, RN	Y	N
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y	N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y	N

Settlement Orders

Eric Winters

Joel Gingery	TN RN 106850 TN APRN 14212 FL APRN 11002110	Dr. Malcolm moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. Harris, roll call vote: Amber Wyatt—yes Martina Harris—yes Dru Malcolm—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
Stephanie N. Graves	RN 191692 APRN 23503	Ms. Wyatt moved to accept the consent order as written. Seconded by Dr. Malcolm, roll call vote: Amber Wyatt—yes Martina Harris—yes Dru Malcolm—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
Jimmy D. Hughes	RN 126660	Dr. Malcolm moved to accept

	APRN 26436	the agree order <i>nunc pro tunc</i> order as written. Seconded by Dr. Harris, roll call vote: Amber Wyatt—yes Martina Harris—yes Dru Malcolm—yes Samuel Alston—yes Motion carried.
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Dr. Malcolm moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Dr. Harris, roll call vote:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>
Amber Wyatt, RN	Y N
Martina Harris, RN	Y N
Dru Malcolm, RN	Y N
Samuel Alston, LPN	Y N

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:16 p. m. (CT) on Monday, February 27, 2023.