

# TENNESSEE BOARD OF DIETITIANS/NUTRITIONISTS

## MINUTES

**Date:** March 3, 2022

**Time:** 9:00 a.m., CST

**Location:** Health Related Boards  
Poplar Room  
665 Mainstream Dr  
Nashville, TN 37243

**Members Present:** Patrick Parham, Citizen Member  
Queen Esther Cox-Taliaferro, Dietitian/Nutritionist, Secretary  
Jamie L. Bailey, Dietitian/Nutritionist, Chair  
Loveday E. Nwobilor, Dietitian/Nutritionist, Member  
Jennifer Earnest, Dietitian/Nutritionist, Member

**Staff Present:** Kyonzte Hughes-Toombs, Deputy Director  
Shara Woodard, Board Administrator  
Eric Winters, Board Attorney  
Kristen Moon, Board Attorney

### **Call to Order**

Jamie Bailey called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM CST. A roll call of the Board Members and Board staff present was initiated by Kyonzte Hughes-Toombs, Deputy Director.

### **Public Comments**

The public will have the opportunity to make comment regarding items on today's agenda. No public comment was made at this time.

### **Conflict of Interest**

Board Attorney, Eric Winters, went over the Conflict of Interest statement with the Board Members:

If you have a personal or financial interest in the outcome of any issue or matter before this board which may suggest a bias on your part, you are asked to state that interest on the record so that a determination can be made as to whether there exists a need for recusal. You are reminded that it is the duty of this board to protect the health, safety, and welfare

of the citizens of Tennessee and that the administration of this solemn responsibility is dependent upon avoiding even the appearance of impropriety.

Mr. Winters also reviewed the Open Meetings Act, which states:

Committee business may only be discussed by the committee members during the meeting. Members should not discuss the committee's business at any time other than during the open Committee meeting. The prohibition applies to phone calls, emails, and text messages. Committee members should also ensure that all comments during the meeting are stated for all to hear: private conversations between or among members during the meeting are inappropriate.

### **Review Minutes from March 5, 2021, Board Meeting**

Mr. Parham made a motion to approve the Minutes from the September 2, 2021, Board meeting as written, with a second by Ms. Cox-Taliaferro. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Investigations/Disciplinary Reports**

Ms. Dorsey Luther gave the currently monitored practitioners and investigative reports:

#### **CURRENTLY MONITORED PRACTITIONERS AS OF 02/16/2022**

<b>Total # Currently Monitored Practitioners</b>	<b>1</b>
Reprimand	0
Probation	0
Suspended	0
Revocation	0
Surrendered	0

Period: 2021 Calendar Year

#### **COMPLAINTS**

<b>New Complaints</b>	
Malpractice/Negligence	1
Unprofessional Conduct	2

<b>Total # New Complaints</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Closed Complaints</b>	
Closed Insufficient	2
<b>Total # Closed Complaints</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Open Complaints</b>	3
<b>Total # Currently Open Complaints</b>	<b>3</b>

**Financial Report**

-Mr. Matt McSpadden was present to provide the Board with the Mid Year financial report, with highlights as follows:

- Total Expenditures \$71,771.45
- Board Fee Revenue \$101,212.12
- Current Year Net \$29,440.67
- Cumulative Carryover \$311,027.79

Mr. McSpadden stated that at the last meeting, the Board approved a motion to decrease the application and renewal fees.

Mr. Parham asked if this had been put in effect yet. Mr. Winters stated he would address this question in the OGC report.

**Discuss legislation and take action if needed**

Mr. Winters stated that there were no legislative items to bring before the Board at this time.

**Administrator’s Report**

Ms. Shara Woodard gave the administrative report to the Board:

**PERIOD: As of 02/23/2022**

<b>Total # Currently Licensed</b>	<b>2,193</b>
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## LICENSE STATISTICS

**PERIOD: August 24, 2021, to February 23, 2022**

New Licenses Issued	131
Temporary Licenses Issued	1
Reinstatements	23
Renewals - Total	437
<i>Number of Paper Renewals</i>	84
<i>Number of Online Electronic Renewals</i>	326
<i>Licenses Renewed Online as % of Total Renewals</i>	76%
Retired Licenses	6
Failed to Renew/Expired Licenses	71
Closed/Withdrawn	11

## UPCOMING BOARD MEETING DATES

- September 8, 2022
- March 2, 2023
- September 7, 2023

## **Receive Report and Requests from the Office of General Counsel**

Mr. Winters introduced the new advisory attorney for the Board, Ms. Kristen Moon.

Mr. Winters reviewed the OGC report with the Board, in that there is currently no disciplinary activity or rule activity at this time, and no legislation at this time.

Mr. Winters informed the Board that the fee reduction is currently in the internal review process.

Ms. Bailey asked how long it takes for the fee reduction to go into effect. Mr. Winters stated that some fee reductions for Boards were being put on hold until it is determined how the fee reductions are going to be allocated. Mr. Winters has already drafted the proposal for the fee decrease, it has just been put on hold.

### **Applicant Interviews/File Reviews**

There were no applicant interviews or file reviews for the Board to review at the meeting.

### **Ratification List-Newly licensed, Reinstated Licenses, Closed/Withdrawn Files**

#### Newly Licensed

4133 Arana Maria Isabel  
4125 Armstrong Ronnie  
4207 Atwater Stephanie Lynn  
4123 Babler Priscilla M  
4174 Backes Emma Marie  
4124 Bauer Ethan  
4157 Bell Carmen Elise  
4222 Berlin Marcia  
4201 Billington Kesnie  
4146 Blackwin Cassidy  
4164 Blake Taylor  
4135 Bobo Leslie  
4203 Boron Mark  
4081 Boyd Georgia Carol RD  
4073 Brock Ashton Tillie  
4138 Bronson Lorissa  
4098 Brown Morganne Ashley  
4100 Campbell Ayanna Amah  
4074 Campbell Veronica  
4128 Cantrell Bryan  
4117 Carlson Julia  
4178 Carpenter Samantha  
4165 Carson Brittany Requena  
4173 Cevetello Melanie  
4186 Cimino Claire  
4170 Clouser Jennifer  
4168 Coleman Kimberly Marie  
4131 Collier Gabriella  
4181 Collins-King Kaitlyn  
4194 Cost Alicia Anne  
4122 Crean Hailey  
4159 Crowder Anderson Christina  
4154 Dakil Connelly Weeks  
4163 Devlin William Sean  
4102 Devore Dana  
4196 Downes Julianne Lovejoy  
4221 Downing Carly

4116 Durant Brittany  
4092 Elmore Morgan  
4169 Emelue Charmagne Kim  
4208 Evans Juliane  
4190 Fay Elizabeth  
4104 Feece Zachary  
4119 Fernandez Amanda  
4158 Fons Jessica Revell  
4161 Gaffen Danielle Rose  
4195 Gallaher Vida Jean  
4200 Gardner Alexandra Renea Nussbaumer  
4229 Golden Diana  
4097 Gomes Kyra Faith  
4105 Graham Stephanie  
4127 Grimm Madeline  
4093 Hall Alison Christine Seramur  
4209 Hamilton Christine Michelle  
4179 Hantouli Rana  
4109 Henderson Lauren Jean  
4210 Hodges Elizabeth Thomas Mrs.  
4033 Houghton Valerie Murray  
4143 Howe Madelyn  
4142 Janski Wendy Lee  
4130 Jarvis Jordyn Marie  
4140 Johnson Stephanie  
4095 Jung Kerrie  
4151 Kassis Nissan  
3996 Keller Natalie R  
4108 Kenner Marsha Moore  
4155 Kirby Hannah  
4112 Knowles Melissa  
4192 Koenigs Taylor  
4183 Labelle Morgan Rae Ms.  
4101 Lamberton Catherine  
4218 Lancaster Erin Caroline  
4205 Lester Cierra Victoria  
4064 Lidgett Heidi  
4129 Livingston Ellie Wright  
4126 Mahonski Alli Rachelle  
4137 Martin Laura Anne  
4113 McCormack Katelyn  
4077 Mckeown Brittany Robertson  
4214 Mendez Garcia Ashley Vanessa  
4176 Mesa Kelley May  
4166 Mitchell Marley Grayson

4089 Mitchell Sunny Wade  
4087 Motter Megan Ashleigh  
4065 Muir Nancy Lynn Burch RD  
4147 Murray Carley  
4096 Nelson Emma Katherine  
4132 Norton Olyvia Gayle  
4182 Ousley Rachel  
4160 Pappadackis Paige  
4083 Parrish Hannah  
4167 Payne Marleah Nicole  
4118 Pendergraft Sarah Ann  
4149 Pickens Ashley Celeste'  
4187 Pierce Katherine  
4110 Povinelli Abby  
4156 Radziejowska Joanna Emilia  
4184 Raja Manuri Pallavi  
4153 Ransom Barbara Therese  
4103 Reynolds Sarah Elizabeth  
4115 Richmond Morgan  
4136 Riggsbee Kristin Ashley  
4189 Rios Natalia  
4141 Roberts Courtney  
4145 Roffelsen Loretta Perrelli  
4139 Rogers Crystal Lee  
4188 Romano Kalea  
4068 Roper Shaynee  
4106 Roszell Brittney  
4044 Schiller Amy C  
4180 Sepulveda Rachel  
4191 Shamoan Katherine  
4121 Shoffner Reuben  
4018 Smith Kimberly Dunsmore  
4172 Sprague Laura  
4198 Springer Kennedy  
4085 Sullivan Stirling Margaret  
4120 Swift Maggie Walker  
4171 Talbot Grace  
4107 Toll Tarakka  
4193 Vandergriff Jessica Lynn  
4162 Visocky Sarah Hope  
4150 Walker Kelly  
4078 Walsh Brooke  
4152 Wicks Emma  
4213 Widmer Annaliese  
4197 Wilson Jordan

4134 Witt Jennifer Reagan  
4185 Wolf Katya  
4148 Zaleski Victoria Hart  
4204 Zhao Yutin

Reinstated

2123 Bettis Kristin Smith  
2239 Braden Whitney Gail  
1016 Bradley Melissa Barto  
2021 Clements Sandra Jean  
1095 Coffey Casey Drake  
3796 Collins Ashley  
3596 Crawford Paige Marie  
3719 Dhanak Ashritha  
2625 Lavender Anna Marie  
2263 Mcdaniel Kristin Anne  
357 Poe Patty Thornton  
2339 Porter Kelly Maryann  
3228 Pritchett Alyssa Jade  
2436 Pullen Caroline Crow  
2314 Rickmeyer Melissa Marie  
2087 Sullivan Keely Hope  
1806 Tremaine Kathryn Breckenridge  
3215 Whittington Stacy Dawn  
2444 Dauro Lauren Oberman  
3061 Shapter James

Closed

Gleason Sarah Mrs  
Handville Sherrill Lynn Mrs  
Heller Samara Heller  
Herr Lindsey  
Mella Jessica  
Morrison Sarah  
Noval Jerl Jean  
Payne Austin Robert  
Reed Kellsey  
Ricks Morgan  
Silva Jennifer Elizabeth Mrs



Ms. Earnest made a motion to approve the Ratification List for new licenses, reinstated licenses, and closed/withdrawn files, as written, with a second made by Ms. Cox-Taliaferro. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Taskforce/Committee Reports**

There were no taskforce or committee reports to present to the Board.

### **Discuss and take action as necessary regarding rulemaking, rulemaking hearings, rule amendments, and policies**

There were no rule related items to present to the Board.

### **Correspondence Review**

There were no correspondence items for the Board to review in this meeting.

### **Board Officer Elections**

The Board conducted officer elections at the September 2021 Board meeting. Officers remain in effect for 2022.

### **Conference/Event Report**

#### **FARB RLS 2022**

Mr. Winters requested approval for the Board's new advisory attorney to attend the FARB conference.

Mr. Parham made a motion for Kristen Moon to be able to attend this conference, with a second by Mr. Nwobilor. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **FNCE 2022**

Ms Earnest gave a brief report from the 2021 conference.

Mr. Nwobilor made a motion to send up to 3 Board members to the 2022 conference, with a second made by Ms. Cox-Taliaferro. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Discuss Old and New Board Business**

There was no old or new business brought before the Board.

**Public comment**

There was no request for public comment to be heard.

Mr. Parham made a statement thanking Mr. Winters for his service to the Board.

**Adjournment**

Ms. Earnest made a motion for adjournment at 9:32 AM CST with a second made by Ms. Cox-Taliaferro. There was no discussion on this motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The board meeting adjourned at 9:32 am CST.

**These Minutes were ratified by the Board on 09/08/2022.**

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Board Chair Date