

STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF LICENSING OF DIETETIC PRACTICE

Minutes of June 2, 2006 Board Meeting

Members Present: Cecilia Ohmart, Chair; Marianne Stevens, Complaint Officer;
Robert Bender, Barbara Hammett and Dimereze Clark

Others Present: Penny Vaillancourt, Administrator; Andrew L. Black, Assistant
Attorney General and Diane Bradstreet, Board Clerk

Members Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER

Cecilia Ohmart, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

The board was introduced to new board member Barbara Hammett.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In a motion by Robert Bender, seconded by Dimereze Clark, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2006 meeting as written. All in favor with Barbara Hammett and Cecilia Ohmart abstaining.

APPROVAL OF NEW LICENSES

In a motion by Robert Bender, seconded by Dimereze Clark, the board voted unanimously to approve the following licenses issued since the March 3, 2006 meeting:

Marie Thibodeaux Ashman – Dietitian
Jessica Erin Bouchard – Dietetic Technician
Todd R. Brodeur – Dietetic Technician
Denise M. Caiazzo – Dietetic Technician
Abigail K. Usen – Dietitian

APPROVAL OF NEW APPLICATIONS

Jennifer Roy – Ms. Roy's application requesting licensure as a temporary dietitian was reviewed by the board. In a motion by Robert Bender, seconded by Dimereze Clark, the board voted unanimously to request that her rotation evaluation forms and the foodservice management evaluation forms be completed prior to the approval of her application.

OVERVIEW OF COMPLAINT PROCESS

Assistant Attorney General Andrew Black presented the board with an overview of the complaint process.

COMPLAINT PRESENTATION – 2006-DIE-2560

Complaint Officer Marianne Stevens presented Complaint #2006-DIE-2560.

In a motion by Robert Bender, seconded by Dimereze Clark, the board voted to set this matter for an adjudicatory hearing. All in favor with Marianne Stevens abstaining.

In a motion by Robert Bender, seconded by Dimereze Clark, the board voted to offer this licensee a Consent Agreement in order to resolve this complaint. The terms of the Consent Agreement will include an admission of a violation of 32 M.R.S.A. § 9910 (2) (B) for engaging in unprofessional conduct and 32 M.R.S.A. § 9910 (2) (D) by violating Board Rules chapter 4 § 17 by failing to comply with all laws and regulations concerning the profession, specifically Board Rule chapter 2 §2(A) which requires any person practicing as a dietetic technician to be licensed with the board.

As discipline for conduct admitted, by signing the Consent Agreement, this licensee will agree to accept a reprimand and a civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00. All in favor with Marianne Stevens abstaining.

DISCUSSION REGARDING CONTINUING EDUCATION

The board discussed the review of its current rules. A committee comprised of Penny Vaillancourt, Board Administrator; Jeffrey Frankel, OLR Staff Attorney; Cecilia Ohmart, Chair and Barbara Hammett will meet and present its recommendations to the full board at the conclusion of its work.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In a motion by Marianne Stevens, seconded by Barbara Hammett, the board voted unanimously to re-elect Cecilia Ohmart as Chair.

In a motion by Robert Bender, seconded by Barbara Hammett, the board voted unanimously to re-elect Marianne Stevens as complaint officer.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – PENNY VAILLANCOURT

Ms. Vaillancourt presented an update on the number of licensees and on the financial status of the board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Bradstreet
Board Clerk