Agenda Item 3.1

Review and Possible Action:
Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes from
June 25-26, 2025

BRN Board Meeting | September 24-25, 2026

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DRAFT

Date: Thursday, June 25, 2026

Start Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: **Department of Consumer Affairs**
1747 North Market Blvd.
Hearing Room (Suite 186)
Sacramento, CA 95834

The Board of Registered Nursing held a public meeting in person and via a teleconference platform.

9:00 a.m. 1.0 Call to order, roll call, and establishment of a quorum

Vice President Nilu Patel called the Board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 25, 2026.
A quorum was established at 9:02 a.m.
*Vicki Granowitz participated remotely.

Board Members Present:

- Nilu Patel, DNAP, CRNA, FAANA – Vice President; Advanced Practice Member
- Patricia "Tricia" Wynne, Esq. – Public Member
- Roi "David" Lollar – Public Member
- Vicki Granowitz – Public Member (participating remotely)
- Jovita Dominguez, BSN, RN – Educator of a Nursing Education Program

Absent:

- Alison Cormack – Public Member
- Katie Nair, MSN, MBA/HCM, RN – Administrator of a Nursing Service

BRN Staff: Loretta (Lori) Melby, RN, MSN – Executive Officer
Reza Pejuhesh – Board Legal Counsel

During roll call, each Board Member verbally confirmed their presence. Executive Officer Melby and Board Counsel Pejuhesh also introduced themselves for the record.

9:02 a.m. **Vice President Patel** requested that former Board President Dolores Trujillo, RN be elevated from the attendee panel to allow the Board to formally acknowledge her service. She noted that her term concluded on June 1, 2026, and she was unable to attend the meeting for a formal farewell.

Board Members offered remarks recognizing President Trujillo's leadership, professionalism, mentorship, and dedication to the Board:

Patricia Wynne expressed appreciation for President Trujillo's leadership, willingness to make difficult decisions, and commitment to excellence in nursing.

Dolores Trujillo thanked the Board, Executive Officer Melby, Board Counsel Pejuhesh, and BRN staff for their collaboration and support, noting the growth they experienced together since 2020.

David Lollar thanked her for her mentorship and guidance as he acclimated to his role as a public member.

Vicki Granowitz highlighted President Trujillo's kindness, patience, and deep commitment to both public protection and the nursing profession.

BRN Employee Marc Cardenas thanked her for her partnership and leadership throughout the Board's transition to virtual meeting formats.

Jovita Dominguez expressed gratitude for President Trujillo's patience, education, and support as she joined the Board.

Nilu Patel concluded the recognition by thanking President Trujillo for her six years of service, noting her significant contributions to the Board's structure and direction.

9:10 a.m. 2.0 General instructions for the format of a teleconference call

The BRN Moderator provided instructions regarding the conduct of the teleconference meeting and the use of WebEx/Slido for facilitating public comment.

9:12 a.m. 3.0 Public comment for items not on the agenda; items for future agenda

Public Comment for Agenda Item 3.0: **Bobby Roy, Chief Negotiator, SEIU Local 1000,** provided comment regarding salary adjustments for Registered Nurses serving as Nursing Education Consultants (NECs). He discussed compensation disparities, lack of inclusion in CalHR compensation surveys since 2013, workload distribution concerns, and urged the Board to support NEC salary adjustments.

Nilu Patel reminded attendees that the Board cannot discuss items not on the agenda but will consider comments for future agenda planning.

Reza Pejuhesh sought to clarify statutory limitations preventing the Executive Officer and Chief of Licensing from participating in union bargaining discussions.

Loretta Melby noted ongoing efforts with DCA and BVNPT to address NEC salary concerns.

Reza Pejuhesh responded further to a portion of the public comment, expressing disagreement with the suggestion that the Executive Officer lacked respect for NECs.

9:19 a.m. **4.0** **Review and possible action:** Approval of prior meeting minutes

4.1 March 26-27, 2026

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

Motion: **Patricia Wynne** moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes from March 26–27, 2026, and to allow BRN staff to make non-substantive changes to correct name misspellings and/or typos that may be discovered in the document.

Second: **Jovita Dominguez**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 4.1: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

9:21 a.m. **5.0** **Report of the Administrative Committee**

5.1 Executive Officer Report

Lori Melby provided updates on recent education and outreach events, social media activity, and position vacancies and hiring efforts. She reported extensive stakeholder engagement related to the Board's sunset review, including meetings with legislative staff, DCA, and collaborative work with the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT) and the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) on academic approval processes.

She also highlighted ongoing work with Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) representatives, participation in the NCSBN Executive Officer Conference, and continued development of regulatory packages.

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 5.1: No requests to provide public comment.

9:30 a.m. **5.2** **Information and discussion only:** 2026-2030 Strategic Plan and goal progression

Lori Melby presented updates on the Board's 2026–2030 Strategic Plan, noting progress in multiple areas, including:

- Improvements to DCA license lookup clarity
- Streamlining of the RN renewal application
- Enhancements to investigation reports
- Collaboration with DCA on enforcement academy training
- Posting of new continuing education supervisor recruitment
- Increased social media engagement and development of educational video content
- Intervention Program outreach improvements, including personal outreach calls to potential participants
- Enforcement-related trainingwith DCA's Enforcement Academy

Board Discussion: **Patricia Wynne** thanked EO Melby for her work and expressed being impressed with the outreach efforts.

Nilu Patel also thanked EO Melby for her continued leadership.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 5.2: No requests to provide public comment.

9:43 a.m. **5.3** **Information and discussion only:** Presentation by DCA Budget Office on the Registered Nursing Fund condition

Luke Fitzgerald, Budget Analyst, DCA Budget Office, presented the Board's expenditure and revenue projections and fund condition statement, including:

- FY 2024–25 beginning balance of $27.5 million
- FY 2024–25 revenues of $80 million
- FY 2024–25 ending reserve of $75.8 million (approx. 17 months)
- FY 2025–26 projected reserve of $104.9 million (approx. 18.7 months)
- Explanation of expenditure drivers, including personnel cost adjustments
- Reminder that statutory reserve limit is 24 months

Board Discussion:

Patricia Wynne expressed concern about the growing reserve and asked what constitutes an appropriate number of months in reserve.

Luke Fitzgerald responded that most boards aim for 12–16 months, with a statutory cap of 24 months.

Lori Melby noted that staff meet frequently with the Budget Office and are actively reviewing the fee schedule and revenue structure.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 5.3:

Jennifer Melendez, RN, asked whether interest on the fund could be sent out to other schools to help fund future nurses.

Lori Melby explained that funding is already being provided.

9:59 a.m. **5.4** **Information and discussion only:** Election of Board President and Vice President

Board Discussion:

Patricia Wynne nominated David Lollar for Board President.

David Lollar accepted the nomination.

Reza Pejuhesh asked whether the election would be for a full year or the remainder of the term.

Lori Melby clarified it would be for a full year.

Vicki Granowitz seconded Wynne's nomination.

Nilu Patel nominated herself for Board President.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 5.4: **Monica Miller, California Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (CANA),** commented on the importance of consistency and progression in Board leadership roles. She expressed support for Vice President Patel as President and Lollar as Vice President.

Additional Board Discussion: **Reza Pejuhesh** recommended conducting an informal poll to determine which nomination should proceed to a formal motion.

Motion: **Patricia Wynne** moved to appoint David Lollar as Board President

Second: **Vicki Granowitz**

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

Motion **Jovita Dominguez:** moved to reappoint Nilu Patel as Vice President

Second: **Patricia Wynne**

Public Comment: **Monica Miller, CANA,** spoke in support of reconfirming Vice President Patel.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

10:16 a.m. **5.5** **Discussion and possible action:** Appointment by Board President of Board member(s) to committee(s) and possible committee reassignment, and approval by the Board

Board Discussion: Newly elected **Board President Lollar** discussed his tenure and experience in education, noting that it would be logical for him to serve on the Education/Licensing Committee (ELC).

Motion: **Nilu Patel** moved to accept the Board President's recommendation to reassign him from the Enforcement/Investigations/Intervention Committee (EIIC) to the ELC.

Second: **Jovita Dominguez**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 5.5: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

10:21 a.m. **5.6** **Discussion and possible action:** Regarding setting dates for 2027 Board and Committee meetings

Board Discussion: **EO Melby** proposed extending committee meetings to two days and condensing Board meetings to one day, suggesting:

- **Wednesday:** Enforcement and Legislative Committees
- **Thursday:** Education/Licensing Committee (ELC) and Enforcement/Investigations/Intervention Committee (EIIC)

David Lollar supported the proposal but questioned whether one day would be sufficient for Board meetings.

Lori Melby confirmed the structure would be workable.

Matthew Yeates, BRN Staff Member provided operational input.

Dominguez and Granowitz expressed scheduling conflicts with Wednesdays.

Patricia Wynne supported splitting the days.

Motion: **Patricia Wynne** moved to adopt the meeting days as presented.

Second: **Nilu Patel**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 5.6: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

10:33 a.m. **BREAK**
10:50 a.m. **QUORUM RE-ESTABLISHED**

10:51 a.m. **6.0** **BRN future priorities and proposals for review and possible action**

10:51 a.m. **6.1** **Discussion and possible action:** Discuss possible changes to the Board's approach to discipline based on driving under the influence and/or similar conduct, as part of sunset review.

Lori Melby introduced the item, referencing the Board's 2026 Sunset Report (Issue 10.12) and the Sunset Background Paper (Issue 27), which asked whether the BRN should have flexibility to refrain from enforcement action for certain DUI-related violations. She summarized current citation statistics, noting that DUI-related convictions represent the largest category of BRN citations. EO Melby also discussed national developments, including Kansas House Bill 2528, which voided certain non-practice-related disciplinary actions and removed the Kansas Board of Nursing.

Reza Pejuhesh provided legal context regarding substantial relationship requirements, the Uniform Standards for Substance-Abusing Healing Arts Licensees, and the Board's complaint intake process, including DOJ wrap-back notifications.

Chief of Enforcement Shannon Johnson and Chief of Legislation Marissa Clark were available to answer questions.

Board Discussion: **Patricia Wynne** stated that the Board frequently deals with "gray areas" in DUI cases and emphasized the importance of consistency and ensuring nurses are treated equitably. She noted that many DUI cases are resolved through citation, and suggested that clearer criteria for when cases proceed beyond citation would help the Board understand staff decision-making.

David Lollar agreed that consistency should guide the Board's approach and noted the importance of identifying criteria that meaningfully connect conduct to nursing practice.

Reza Pejuhesh explained the Board's complaint process, including how DUI cases typically arise from DOJ notifications rather than practice-related complaints. He clarified how substantial relationship case law currently allows discipline for DUI convictions.

Vicki Granowitz expressed concern about double penalties, noting that nurses face consequences in the criminal justice system and again through Board action. She stated that when DUI conduct is unrelated to nursing practice, imposing additional discipline may be unfair. She suggested exploring distinctions between practice-related and non-practice-related conduct and considering public reprovals for cases lacking a direct nexus to practice.

Patricia Wynne reiterated that most DUI cases are resolved via citation and stated that greater transparency around staff decision-making would help the Board understand when cases escalate to formal discipline.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 6.1: **Christopher Harkins** commented that he appreciated the Board's discussion and emphasized the importance of the topic. He shared testimony regarding his personal experience and nursing career.

George Henry Aulson IV, RN echoed the previous commenter's remarks and provided testimony regarding his own experience and career.

Motion: **Nilu Patel** moved to designate Agenda Item 6.1 as a standing Board meeting action item going forward.

Second: **Vicki Granowitz**

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

12:04 p.m. **LUNCH BREAK**
1:35 p.m. **QUORUM REESTABLISHED**

1:35 p.m. **7.0** **Report of the Nursing Practice Committee (NPC)**

1:36 p.m. **7.1** **Discussion and possible action:** Regarding initial draft of regulatory text to modify California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 16 to add requirements for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists

Chief of Legislative Affairs Marissa Clark presented the initial draft of regulatory text implementing AB 876 (Flora, 2023), which codified CRNA scope of practice and clarified the term anesthesia services. She explained that:

- The draft establishes a new article within California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Division 14.
- The text incorporates policy guidance related to AB 876 and operational guidance for CRNA education and application requirements.

The version before the Board reflects:

- The original text recommended by the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee (CRNAAC)
- Subsequent revisions based on public comment, stakeholder input, legal counsel review, and Nursing Practice Committee (NPC) discussion

All changes since the advisory committee vote are shown in blue italics (new language) and red strikeout (removed language).

Clark and Executive Officer Melby clarified that while the advisory committee received public comment, the committee itself did not adopt changes based on that comment; instead, BRN staff and legal counsel incorporated revisions to ensure clarity, statutory alignment, and regulatory viability.

Board Discussion:

Patricia Wynne asked whether advisory committees take public comment and whether changes were made based on that feedback.

Clark confirmed that public comment was taken at both the advisory committee and NPC meetings, and that staff incorporated changes accordingly.

Lori Melby emphasized transparency in showing the evolution of the text and noted that additional changes were made after NPC discussion.

Board Members asked procedural questions regarding the regulatory timeline, including the 45-day public comment period and subsequent Board review.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 7.1:

Kristen Roman, CRNA, President, California Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (CANA): Requested removal of the phrase “or other healthcare provider” from section 1498, paragraph (2), citing ambiguity and inconsistency with statutory language in BPC sections 2826.6 and 2833.6.

Lucas Evansson, California Medical Association (CMA): Supported the proposed regulatory text as drafted and thanked the Board for its work**.**

Emily Francke, CRNA, Immediate Past President, CANA: Echoed Roman’s comments and urged removal of the ambiguous language.

Mark Pahed, CRNA, DNAP: Requested removal of “other healthcare provider” to avoid implying supervisory relationships not established in law.

Diana Heikkila, CANA Member: Reiterated concerns regarding undefined terminology and requested removal of the phrase.

Monica Miller, CANA: Echoed prior comments and emphasized the need for clarity and alignment with AB 876.

1:53 p.m. **Motion:** **Nilu Patel** moved to approve the proposed regulatory text as written, remove the phrase "or other healthcare provider" from section 1498, paragraph (2), and direct staff to take all steps necessary to complete the rulemaking process, authorizing the Executive Officer to make technical or non-substantive changes and adopt modified text if no relevant adverse comments are received during the comment period.

Second: **David Lollar**

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y

Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB

Motion Passed

1:54 p.m. **7.2 Discussion and possible action regarding NPC information and recommendations to the Board on agenda items presented at the May 13, 2026, NPC meeting, including:**

Items included:

- Advisory committee updates and annual progress reports for: NPAC, NMAC, CNSAC, CRNAAC, NEWAC
- Approval of initial draft regulatory text to modify 16 CCR § 1425 (AB 2015 – faculty qualifications)
- Approval of initial draft regulatory text to add CRNA requirements (related to Item 7.1)

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this topic.

Motion: **Patricia Wynne** moved to accept the recommendations of the Nursing Practice Committee for all items contained in Agenda Item 7.2.

Second: **David Lollar**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 7.2: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW

	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

1:56 p.m. **7.3** **Discussion and Possible Action:** Appointment of Nursing Education and Workforce Advisory Committee (NEWAC) and Nurse-Midwifery Advisory Committee (NMAC) member(s)

Lori Melby reported vacancies in the Nursing Education and Workforce Advisory Committee (NEWAC) and the Nurse-Midwifery Advisory Committee (NMAC). After screening applicants and review by the Administrative Committee, the following appointments were recommended:

NEWAC – Practicing RN: Jasmine Whitney, RN, BSN

NEWAC – Professional Nursing Organization Representative: Rolanda Jackson

NMAC – Nurse Midwife: Lena Williams

Melby noted that the NEWAC nursing program director vacancy remains unfilled pending additional outreach.

Board Discussion: **Nilu Patel** publicly thanked all applicants and encouraged continued participation.

Motion: **Nilu Patel** moved to approve the recommended appointments to NEWAC and NMAC.

Second: **David Lollar**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 7.3: **Chris Harkins, Executive Director, NEWAC:** Asked whether he would replace outgoing member Kathy Hughes.

Lori Melby clarified that union-designated positions are filled directly by the union and do not require Board vote.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

2:02 p.m. **8.0** **Report of the Education/Licensing Committee (ELC)**

Dr. Mary Ann McCarthy presented the consent agenda items from the May 13, 2026 ELC meeting. She noted that all items listed in Agenda Item 8.1 were unanimously recommended by the Committee for Board approval. A full list of schools and motions appears in the meeting materials.

No Board Members requested to pull any items for separate discussion.

2:03 p.m. **8.1 Discussion and possible action regarding ELC recommendations to the Board on agenda items presented at the May 13, 2026, ELC meeting, including:**

Approval of the proposed curriculum revisions and clinical facilities and acknowledgment of receipt of program progress reports

Prelicensure Curriculum Changes requested by:

Colleges: Cabrillo College, Glendale Community College, Los Angeles City College, Los Medanos College, Mendocino College, Monterey Peninsula College, Sacramento City College, Santa Rosa Junior College

Universities: University of San Francisco (BSN, ELM)

Clinical Facility approvals requested by:

Colleges: College of the Canyons, College of the Redwoods, College of San Mateo, College of the Siskiyous-Yreka, Cypress College, DeAnza College, Los Angeles City College, Madera Community College, Merced Community College, MiraCosta College, Moorpark College, Palo Verde College, Saddleback College, Santa Rosa Junior College, Solano College

Universities: Saint Mary's College of California, American University of Health Sciences, California State University East Bay, California State University Bakersfield, California State University Fullerton, Gurnick Academy of Medical Arts San Jose, Pepperdine University (ELM, BSN), Samuel Merritt University, Sonoma State University, University of California Irvine, University of San Francisco, Westcliff University, West Coast University

Progress Reports regarding:

Colleges: Cabrillo College, Copper Mountain Community College, Golden West College

Universities: California State University Channel Islands, California State University Chico, California State University East Bay, California State University San Bernardino, San Francisco State University, Imperial Valley College, Pacific College, Pasadena City College, Santa Rosa Junior College

<u>Advanced Practice (Nurse Practitioner):</u> California State University Dominguez Hills, University of San Diego, University of San Francisco, Western University of Health Sciences

Continuing approval of approved nursing programs

Prelicensure nursing programs

California State University East Bay Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program

Mount St Mary’s University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program

Los Angeles Harbor College Associate Degree Nursing Program

Los Angeles Pierce College Associate Degree Nursing Program

Merritt College Associate Degree Nursing Program

Progress report on any prelicensure nursing programs in non-compliance

Merritt College, Associate Degree Nursing Program (two years with non-compliances following a BRN continuing approval visit)

Defer taking action on the continuing approval status of prelicensure nursing programs in non-compliance with additional actions specific to each school below:

Return to ELC in one year with quarterly reports to the assigned NEC

Los Angeles City College Associate Degree Nursing Program (non-compliances one year following a BRN continuing approval visit).

Charles Drew University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program (two-year average NCLEX pass rate less than 75%).

Approve the enrollment increase for approved prelicensure nursing program

REGION 4 Northern San Joaquin Valley

San Joaquin Delta College Associate Degree Nursing Program (enrollment increase)

Santa Barbara City College Associate Degree Nursing Program (enrollment increase)

<u>REGION 7 Inland Empire and REGION 9 Orange</u>

West Coast University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program (enrollment increase)

Initial approval of a new prelicensure nursing program

REGION 7 Inland Empire

California Nurses Educational Institute Associate Degree Program (initial self-study)

Approval of clinical practice experience required for nurse practitioner students enrolled in non-California based nurse practitioner education program

Post University, American Sentinel College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Waterbury, CT

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

2:04 p.m. **Motion:** **Jovita Dominguez** moved to accept the recommendations of the Education/Licensing Committee for all items contained in Agenda Item 8.1.

Second: **Patricia Wynne**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 8.1: **Gerry Hinayon, Program Director, Delta College** thanked the Board for approving Delta College's enrollment increase request. He described the HOPE Program's regional impact, commitment to responsible expansion, and collaboration with clinical partners.

Patricia Wynne thanked Mr. Hinayon for attending and commended the program's thoughtful and modest expansion proposal.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
<u>Key:</u> Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

2:08 p.m. **8.2 Discussion and possible action regarding a request to grant acceptance of a feasibility study for a new prelicensure nursing program**

REGION 10 Southern Border

8.2.1 Chamberlain University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing site, Carlsbad)

Dr. McCarthy reported that Chamberlain University withdrew its request for approval of a feasibility study for a proposed Carlsbad secondary site. The withdrawal occurred after the May 2026 ELC meeting, during which the Committee deferred the item to the Board. Chamberlain submitted a letter stating it would explore other options.

No Board action was required.

2:11 p.m. 8.3 **Discussion and possible action:** Regarding outstanding compliance issues. Progress report-out at each ELC and Board meeting

8.3.1 Pasadena City College Associate Degree Nursing Program

Dr. McCarthy summarized ongoing compliance issues at Pasadena City College (PCC), including:

- The prior Program Director's report that she was not permitted by the dean to administer the program in accordance with BRN regulations
- Inability to provide required documentation for the BRN continuing approval visit and ACEN accreditation self-study
- BRN leadership's meeting with PCC administration in October 2025
- ELC's directive requiring PCC to report progress at every ELC and Board meeting until compliance is restored

The newly appointed Program Director, Dr. Carol Freidman, provided an update:

- Faculty completed a two-day curriculum retreat aligned with BRN standards
- Skills lab reopened with a lab technician hired
- Work underway on the evaluation plan with external expert support
- Hiring underway for a clinical coordinator, simulation technician, and full-time skills lab RN
- Faculty recruitment in progress for the Fall 2026 semester

Dr. Freidman confirmed she now has full administrative authority over the nursing program

Board Discussion: **Patricia Wynne:** asked to hear from the school.

Cheryl Freidman, Program Director: spoke to the development of the curriculum to that of the board's standards, hiring plans, as well as other developments.

Patricia Wynne asked who currently administers the program.

Dr. Freidman confirmed she is the Program Director with full authority.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 8.3.1: No requests to provide public comment.

2:18 p.m. **8.4** **Information and discussion only:** NCLEX update

Dr. McCarthy noted that NCLEX pass rate reports are included in the meeting materials. No additional presentation was required.

8.5 **Information and discussion only:** Licensing update

Lori Melby noted that licensing updates appear in the meeting materials.

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 8.4 & 8.5: No requests to provide public comment.

2:20 p.m. **9.0** **Report of the Enforcement, Investigations, and Intervention Committee (EIIC)**

2:20 p.m. **9.1** **Discussion and possible action:** Appointments and reappointments of Intervention Evaluation Committee (IEC) members

Name	Member Type	IEC	Appointment Type	Term Start	Term Expiration
Salma Khan	Physician	1	Reappointment	7/1/2024	7/1/2028
Allen Schneider	Physician	4	Reappointment	11/30/2025	11/30/2029
Michelle Corcoran	Nurse	12	Reappointment	09/30/2023	9/30/2027

EIIC Committee Chair Wynne introduced the item and noted that IEC reappointments do not require interviews by the Board's IEC subcommittee. Staff reviewed the candidates and recommended reappointment based on continued strong performance.

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

Motion: **Nilu Patel** moved to approve the IEC reappointments as presented.

Second: **David Lollar**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 9.1: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y

Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB

Motion Passed

2:23 p.m. **9.2 Discussion and possible action regarding EIIC information and recommendations to the Board on agenda items presented at the February 11, 2026, EIIC meeting, including:**

Committee Chair Wynne summarized that the EIIC reviewed updates from:

- Enforcement Division
- Investigations Division
- Intervention Program (IP)
- Executive Officer's presentation on IEC education and feedback from BRN staff, the IP vendor, and stakeholders

All items were informational, and no committee members requested to pull any items for separate discussion.

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

Motion: **David Lollar** moved to accept the recommendations of the Enforcement, Investigations, and Intervention Committee.

Second: **Jovita Dominguez**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 9.2: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

2:26 p.m. **10.0** **Closed Session**

The Board entered Closed Session pursuant to Government Code section 11126(c)(3) to deliberate on disciplinary matters. The Board recessed and planned to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on June 26, 2026.

10.1 Disciplinary Matters

11.0 **Recessed to June 26, 2026, at 9:00 am**

Date: **Friday, June 26, 2026 – 9:00 am Board Meeting**

Start Time: **9:00 a.m.**

Location: **Department of Consumer Affairs**
1747 North Market Blvd.
Hearing Room (Suite 186)
Sacramento, CA 95834

The Board of Registered Nursing held a public meeting in person and via a teleconference platform.

9:00 a.m. **1.0** **Call to order, roll call, and establishment of a quorum**

Board President Roi "David" Lollar called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
A quorum was established at 9:01 a.m.
*Vicki Granowitz participated remotely.

Board Members Present:

- Roi "David" Lollar – Board President, Public Member
- Nilu Patel, DNAP, CRNA, FAANA – Vice President; Advanced Practice Member
- Jovita Dominguez, BSN, RN – Educator of a Nursing Education Program
- Vicki Granowitz – Public Member (participating remotely)
- Patricia "Tricia" Wynne, Esq. – Public Member

Absent:

- Alison Cormack – Public Member
- Katie Nair, MSN, MBA/HCM, RN – Administrator of a Nursing Service

BRN Staff Present: Loretta (Lori) Melby, RN, MSN – Executive Officer
Reza Pejuhesh – Board Legal Counsel

9:01 a.m. 2.0 General instructions for the format of a teleconference call

The BRN Moderator provided instructions regarding the use of WebEx/Slido for public comment, muting protocols, and meeting procedures.

9:03 a.m. 3.0 Continue with unfinished agenda items from June 25, 2026, if necessary

No unfinished items remained.

9:03 a.m. 4.0 Report on Legislation

4.1 Discuss and possible action: Future roles and responsibilities of the Legislative Committee

Board Discussion: *The item was inadvertently carried over from the prior agenda. No new discussion was required.*

9:03 a.m. 4.2 Discussion and possible action: To take a position or take other action regarding legislative bills impacting the BRN

AB 1696 (Stefani) Emergency services and care: nurse-midwives

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

Motion: **Nilu Patel** moved to support the bill as currently written.

Second: **Jovita Dominguez**

Public Comment for Agenda Item AB 1696: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y

Key: **Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB**

Motion Passed

9:08 a.m. AB 1775 (Ward) Veterans

Board Discussion: No Board discussion on this agenda item.

Motion: **Patricia Wynne** moved to support the bill as currently written.

Second: **Vicki Granowitz**

Public Comment for AB 1775: No requests to provide public comment.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

9:11 a.m. **AB 1973 (Aguiar-Curry) Abortion: authorized procedures**

Board Discussion: **Lori Melby** summarized the split votes and concerns raised in the Nurse Practitioner Advisory Committee (NPAC) and Nurse-Midwifery Advisory Committee (NMAC), prompting staff to conduct additional research. She emphasized the time-sensitive nature of abortion care, the importance of solidifying training provisions, and the need to balance access to care with patient safety.

Patricia Wynne expressed concerns about access to care and the need for clarity around training requirements. She felt the bill was moving in the right direction but may be premature for full support.

David Lollar noted he initially anticipated a “watch” position but agreed the bill still requires refinement.

Marissa Clark confirmed ongoing stakeholder discussions and the need for clearer competency and collaboration requirements.

Nilu Patel supported the bill’s direction, citing University of California’s support, but requested more information.

Lori Melby provided guidance on potential amendments, including clarifying competency requirements and defining risk levels requiring transfer or collaboration.

Motion: **David Lollar moved to adopt a Support if Amended position:**

- **The Board is neutral unless specified amendments are incorporated.**

- **If amendments are adopted, the Board supports the bill.**

Amendments requested: clarification of competency requirements and clarity regarding risk levels requiring transfer or collaboration.

Second: **Patricia Wynne**

Public Comment for AB 1973: **Jessica Dieseldorf, NP, Senior Program Manager for Abortion Services, Planned Parenthood** spoke in support of the bill and explained differences in skill requirements between 15-week and 20-week procedures.

Patricia Wynne thanked the speaker and asked clarifying questions.

Nilu Patel cautioned against obstructing the bill due to lack of clinical expertise.

Lori Melby noted that specificity requested by the Board is not currently in the bill and would need to be added.

Dr. Jody Steinhauer, Professor of Obstetrics & Gynecology, UCSF: Spoke in support.

Angela Pontis, Lobbyist, Planned Parenthood: Spoke in strong support.

Angela Pontis (on behalf of Susan, California Nurse Midwife Association): Spoke in support.

Patricia Wynne reiterated that competency should be the focus of amendments.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y
Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB							

Motion Passed

9:49 a.m. **SB 1302 (Wahab) Nursing (Sunset Bill)**

Board Discussion: **Patricia Wynne** expressed appreciation for the collaborative process with the bill's author.

Lori Melby noted extensive work on the bill and anticipated additional amendments.

Marissa Clark commended legislative staff for their diligence.

Board Members discussed impacts on APRNs and RNs and the importance of statutory consistency.

Motion: **Patricia Wynne** moved to support the bill as currently written.

Second: **Vicki Granowitz**

Public Comment for SB 1302:

Kristen Roman, CANA: spoke in support of this bill.

Monica Miller, American Assoc. of NPs, CANA: spoke in support of this bill.

Emily Francke, CRNA, CANA: spoke in support of this bill.

Thomas Batchler, CRNA: urged for support for including statutory language

Susan Madanat, California Nurse-Midwives Assoc: echoed comments of APRN partners regarding delegations of medications.

Vote:

Vote:	NP	AC	JD	VG	RL	KN	PW
	Y	AB	Y	Y	Y	AB	Y

Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB

Motion Passed

10:21 a.m. **5.0** **Adjournment**

- **Board President David Lollar** adjourned the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

Submitted by:

Loretta Melby, MSN, RN
Executive Officer
California Board of Registered Nursing

Accepted by:

Roi David Lollar
President
California Board of Registered Nursing

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