

**South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (SCLLR)**  
**South Carolina Panel for Dietetics**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**August 23, 2013 at 10:00 A.M.**  
**Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, Room 204**  
**Columbia, South Carolina 29210**

PANEL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rona B. Ewart, MEd, RD, Chair  
Nancy R. Taylor, MS, RD, Vice Chair  
Phyllis A. Allen, MPH, RD  
Karen G. Schwartz, MS, RD

VACANT POSITIONS:

Professional Member (Two)  
Public Member (One)

SCLLR STAFF PRESENT:

Sara McCartha, Esquire, Office of Advice Counsel  
Angie M. Combs, Administrator  
For IRC Report:  
Gregg Hinson, Investigator, Office of Investigations and Enforcement  
Ashley Bailey, Investigator, Office of Investigations and Enforcement

IN ATTENDANCE:

Tina Behles, Certified Court Reporter, Capital City Reporting, LLC

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the South Carolina Panel for Dietetics office and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, as amended, relating to the Freedom of Information Act. A quorum was present at all times.

**CALL TO ORDER / ATTENDANCE:** The meeting was called to order at 10:06 a.m. by Panel Chair Rona Ewart.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A **motion** was made by Ms. Allen to accept the order of the August 23, 2013 Agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Taylor and carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A **motion** was made by Ms. Taylor to accept the March 22, 2013 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Ms. Allen and carried unanimously.

**OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT REPORT:** Ms. Combs reviewed with the Panel the OIE Statistics Report provided by Ms. Althea Myers, Chief Investigator. The Panel accepted this report as information.

**INVESTIGATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE (IRC) REPORT:** The IRC Report was provided to the Panel. It was recommended to dismiss Cases #2012-2, #2012-5, #2013-1, #2013-2 and to dismiss with a Letter of Caution Case #2012-6. A **motion** was made by Ms. Schwartz to accept the recommendations to dismiss Cases #2012-2, #2012-5, #2013-1 and dismiss with a Letter of Caution Case #2012-6. The Panel requests that Case #2013-2 be reviewed again. The motion was seconded by Ms. Allen and carried unanimously.

## **REPORTS / INFORMATION**

Information was provided by Ms. Combs concerning the following topics:

- Licensee Total Report – there are 884 currently licensed dietitians; 774 reside in South Carolina. There are 140 licensees that did not renew this year.
- 2013 Continuing Education Audit – a CE audit will be conducted after August 31, 2013.
- Office of General Counsel Report – no cases to report.
- Financial Report – presented as information.
- Regulations Document Number 4237 Update - passed the Senate and House.
- Regulations Document Number 4327 Update - passed the Senate and House.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments made.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Future Meeting Date** – Ms. Combs to notify the Panel members of possible meeting dates in February 2014.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A **motion** was made by Ms. Allen to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Taylor and carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Ms. Ewart adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

*These minutes are a record of the official actions taken by the Panel and a summary of the meeting provided by Angie M. Combs, Administrator. Minutes are presented to the Panel for final approval.*