

State of Illinois  
Department of Public Health  
Office of Health Care Regulation

**Long-Term Care Advisory Board**

Approved  
August 21, 2014

Unapproved  
Minutes  
July 24, 2014

Video Conference  
4212 W. St. Charles Road, Bellwood, IL  
122 S. Michigan Avenue, Room 711, Chicago, IL  
535 W. Jefferson, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Springfield, IL

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m.

Roll Call

Members present: in Bellwood	Jack Bulmash, Terry Sullivan and Alma Labunski
Members present in Chicago	Donna Ginther and Kathleen Swanson
Members present in Springfield	Debra Bryars, Kathy Dennis, Joyce McGrady
Guests	Wendy Meltzer
Staff	George Skaggs, Karon McGrath, Connie Jensen, Susan Meister, George Logan, Henry Kowalenko, Ted Zelinski and Kish Broomfield.

Approval of Minutes

A motion by Terry Sullivan, seconded by Alma Labunski to approve the meeting minutes of February 20, 2014, was unanimously approved.

Membership Update

There are currently three vacancies: two representing the general public and one as a resident advisory council representative.

Bylaws

Legal will be requested to review the Open Meetings Act and the Board's bylaws to determine whether members may be considered present for voting purposes and in determining a quorum by calling-in rather than being physically present for meetings.

Public Act 98-271 re Amendments to Implement the Vaccination Changes

A motion by Terry Sullivan, seconded by Jack Bulmash, to approve the adoption of the proposed amendments to Parts 300, 330 and 340, as presented, was unanimously approved.

### Life Safety Code 2012 Edition

Henry Kowalenko gave a presentation on the 2012 edition of the Life Safety Code which is currently out for public comments and is anticipated to be adopted in 2015. Among the significant changes are:

- Definition of a Suite: Will increase to 7,500 square feet; up to 10,000 square feet with additional safety restrictions.
- Wheeled Equipment in Corridors: In-use equipment will be permitted; not-in-use emergency equipment also permitted. Must always be a 5' clearance in corridors and may not obstruct access to fire alarms, etc.
- Window to the Outside: Not required, based on **fire safety standards**. Still regarded as necessary for "well-being."
- Door-locking: In addition to clinical reasons, the 2012 LSC will allow for security purposes, as well.
- Food cooking/Food warming: Open to exit-access corridors permitted.
- Seating in Corridors: Permitted with restrictions. Seating must be all on one side only; may not extend more than two feet from wall, must not obstruct fire alarms, etc.
- Sprinklers: Mandated in new and existing facilities within 12 years of adoption of code.

### Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Facilities

Susan Meister noted emergency rules are currently in effect; proposed rules are on first-notice. Staff is reviewing comments and will share with other agencies before sending to JCAR.

### Proposed Agenda Items

- Medical Cannabis
- Subpart S
- LTC Facilities Incident Report Form

Next Board Meeting: August 21, 2014

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

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