

Minutes – February 24, 2022, Board Meeting

10:00 Call to order by Dr. Mittman

10:01 Roll Call – 5 Members Present (Mr. Luebke, Ms. Ciardullo absent)

1. Dr. Mittman
2. Mr. Romano
3. Dr. Lech
4. Mr. Wallace
5. Mr. Ball
6. Mr. LaMountain PPSE STAFF
7. Mr. Blanchard PPSE STAFF
8. Ms. Rome PPSE STAFF
9. Ms. Stanfill PPSE STAFF

10:04 Dr. Mittman asked the Executive Director if there were changes to the Agenda. Mr. LaMountain stated the changes would be to move the call to the public up, to just before Aspen presentation and to move the election of Board Chair/Vice-Chair to after the Aspen report.

10:05 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest – Mr. Ball stated he was an auditor for the American Institute of Interior Design, a school on the agenda for a STRF claim. After consulting with our Assistant AG, Seamus Monahan, it was determined that Mr. Ball's interaction with the now closed school was not considered a conflict of interest. As a result, no board member had a conflict.

10:10 Dr. Mittman opened up the call to the public. After numerous requests, no presentations were requested.

10:13 Dr. Mittman closed the call to the public and moved on to the next agenda item, Aspen University.

10:14 Mr. LaMountain presented the following information to the board:

On Friday, January 28, 2022, board staff received notification from Joanne Weiss, Provost at Aspen University, of an issue with the Arizona Board of Nursing (AZBON) related to Aspen's NCLEX pass rates. That notification was approximately 15 minutes prior to Aspen appearing before the AZBON. Staff attended the AZBON meeting virtually. Audio minutes of that meeting are in your folder.

Audio Minutes were activated at this time and are available on the board website.