



**MINUTES OF THE
ADVANCED PRACTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

November 2nd, 2004

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Advanced Practice Advisory Committee was called to order on November 2, 2004 by Associate Executive Director, Donald Rennie, MSN, RN. The meeting began at 2:00 p.m. via videoconference at the Community College of Southern Nevada, Cheyenne Campus, 3200 E. Cheyenne Avenue, Conference Room A, Las Vegas, Nevada and Truckee Meadows Community College, Meadowood Center, 5270 Neil Road, South Building, Room 104, Reno, Nevada.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Donald Rennie, MSN, RN, AED, Licensure and Certification
David Burgio, MSN, RN, APN, Board Liaison
Amy Booth, MSN, RN, APN
Tricia Brown, MSN, RN, APN
George Cox, MSN, RN, CRNA
Martha Drohobyczer, MSN, APN, CNM
Phyllis Suiter, MS, RN, APN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jeannette DiChiro, MSN, RN, APN
Richard Null, MS, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Debra Scott, MS, RN, APN, Executive Director
Fred Olmstead, Board Counsel
Jeanie Jenkins, Management Assistant

- A. **CALL TO ORDER**: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.
- B. **PUBLIC COMMENT**: D. Scott announced the appointment of Doreen Begley, RN to the Board and the reappointments of Mary Ann Lambert, RN and Helen Vos, RN to the Board.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval minutes of August 17, 2004: The minutes were approved as presented.
2. Discussion of actions taken at September 2004 meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing: An update was provided by D. Scott, D. Rennie, and F. Olmstead.
3. Discussion, recommendations and actions related to defining NAC 623.260 (1.e) "...or in a related health field approved by the board": A brief history of this section of the NAC was presented. It was noted this will apply only to APNs, who graduate on or after June 1, 2005. Discussion ensued relative to various options for committee consideration. The committee recommended a board policy be drafted that would include: a list of acceptable non-nursing masters degrees, a process for the APN Committee to review APN applications with degrees not on the accepted list of degrees, and a process for the APN applicant, with a degree not on the accepted list of degrees to petition the Board for acceptance of that degree. The petition would include the recommendations of the APN Committee. The committee requested the draft policy be brought to the next committee meeting for further review and comment before submission to the Board.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion, actions and recommendations related to NAC 632.020, NAC 632.255 thru NAC 632.295 – Advanced Practitioner of Nursing: The committee began a review of the regulations related to the Advanced Practitioner of Nursing. Committee member recommendations should be provided to A. Brown for compiling for the next committee meeting. The committee did recommend a fifth subsection be added to NAC 632.255 (3) to allow for acts learned in the practice setting. The committee recommended language such as "has acquired the additional knowledge and skills and is competent in the performance of the skills". The committee requested this be drafted for review and comment at the next meeting.
2. Discussion, actions and recommendations related NAC 632.037, NAC 632.300 thru NAC 632.310 – Clinical Nurse Specialist: The committee began a review of the regulations related to the Clinical Nurse Specialist. Committee member recommendations should be provided to M. Drohobyczer for compiling for the next committee meeting.

3. Discussion, actions and recommendations related to NAC 632.500 thru NAC 632.550 Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist: The committee began a review of the regulations related to the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. Committee member recommendations should be provided to G. Cox for compiling for the next committee meeting.
4. Discussion related to collaboration and physician responsibility issues: A brief history of the implications and differences of supervision and collaboration was presented. Discussion ensued. It was noted the advanced practitioner of nursing and physician relationship is one of collaboration. The committee requested the Executive Director write to the Executive Director of the Board of Medical Examiners to seek consideration for the removal of the wording of supervision in MAC 630.490 (13) of the medical board's regulations.
5. Discussion related to possible governor "opt-out" to set standards for anesthesia: A brief overview of the Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services regulations related to anesthesia services was provided. It was noted that each state governor has the ability to "opt" out of the supervisory requirements for Certified Registered Nurses Anesthetists. Discussion ensued related to the "opt-out" status of various states including Nevada.
6. Schedule meetings for 2005: The committee approved the meeting dates of February 22, 2005; may 10, 2005; August 16, 2005; and November 1, 2005.

E. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA: No items were presented.

F. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.