

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE August 15, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Education Advisory Committee was called to order by Roseann Colosimo, PhD, RN, Education Consultant, at 9:03 a.m. at the Board of Nursing, 2500 W. Sahara, #207, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 and via videoconference with other committee members at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada, 89502

MEMBERS PRESENT

Roseann Colosimo, PhD, RN, Board Education Consultant, Chair

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, APN, Board Executive Director

Mary Ann Lambert, MSN, RN, Board Liaison

Dawn Adams Kocnkongsahan, RN

Jan Kramer MSN RN

Judith Cordia, EdD, RN

Madelon Lawson, BSN, RN, CAPA

Karen Fontaine, MSN, RN

Margaret Puccinelli, PhD, RN

Jan Kramer, MSN, RN

Patsy Ruchala, DNSC, RN

Leanna Keith, BS, RN

Patricia (Tish) Smyer, DNSc, RN

Margaret Covelli, BSN, MHA, RN

Mable Smith, PhD, RN, JD

Barbara Fraser, MS, RN

Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Steven Arthur, Ad Hoc

Lisa Black, MS, RN

Connie Carpenter, EdD, RN

Robert Rowe, Jr., MSN, RN

Dianne Sullivan, RN, BSN

Vickie L. Wright, MSN, MBA, RN, CRRN, CM

OTHERS PRESENT

Fred Olmstead, Board Counsel

Rosemary Thuet, Apollo College

Robyn Nelson, Touro University

Laura Fillmore, Touro University

Elvira G. Phelps, Apollo College

Shirlee Snyder, NSC

Cinderela Ivory Co RN

Cynthia Russell Orbis Education

Patti Matney, University of Oklahoma

Tamra Carley, Orbis Education

Rhonda Lem, Saint Rose Hospital

LeRoy Walker, Saint Rose Hospital

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PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Cinderella Co, a graduate nurse, spoke about the difficulty new graduates are having getting employment. The group thanked her for the advocacy to bring this issue forward. The committee will explore further.
2. R. Colosimo expressed her appreciation for M.A. Lambert's dedication to nursing in Nevada and to this committee. The committee agreed, added appreciative comments and applause for a job well done. M.A. Lambert expressed her concern that there always be an educator on the Board. She also encouraged members to come to the Board meetings and make their positions on matters known.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of April 11, 2008, meeting of the Education Advisory Committee were approved with corrections of Dr. Smith being in attendance.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion regarding continued competence: R Colosimo reviewed that one of the charges of the committee is to review continued competency. Members discussed the North Carolina program. Comments were positive about being able to utilize 640 practice hours for 15 continuing education credits. D. Scott shared the work of the NCSBN on continued competency and the movement toward an objective exam. Consensus seemed to be that the committee could collaborate to identify appropriate requirements with input and support from many Nevada nurses.
2. Discussion and feedback for the University of Oklahoma, Orbis Education and Saint Rose Hospital System application for an accelerated second degree BSN (clinical only) program in Nevada: R Nelson expressed her concern to Mr. Walker that Nevada programs were capable of offering this type of program and were not sought out or utilized. P. Ruchala asked if the program would be expanding to Catholic West hospitals in Reno. Dr Smith expressed concern that the application did not adequately address mental health and community health placements. M. Covelli asked if program was exclusive and about capacity for pediatrics within the Saint Rose system. Dr. Russell confirmed the program would be exclusive and T. Carley said there were 18 beds on the pediatric unit. P. Matney from Oklahoma spoke to the 99% pass rate for this program in rural Oklahoma, also stating that the program in California has not yet graduated a class.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review, discussion and action on a faculty development day for Nevada: Consensus was reached in that all members felt this should be open to inservice educators and faculty educators. A committee was formed and will bring back a proposal next meeting. The subcommittee consists of the following members: K. Fountaine, J. Cordia, M. Lawson, J. Kramer and M. Chalfant, R. Colosimo will chair.
2. Discussion regarding a policy proposal for the survey of clinical and didactic education of provisionally approved nursing programs: R. Colosimo presented the discussion from the NCSBN education consultants network conference call concerning new schools and the need to intervene sooner than when the school applies for full approval. J. Kramer asked about the 18-month timeframe for surveys. The rationale for this timeframe was due to there being only a two year span from graduating the first nursing class to meeting the 80% bar for transition to full approval was explained. Dr. Smith expressed concern that the tone of the site guidelines was not collaborative. EAC supported the site surveys for provisional schools.

3. Review and discussion regarding second quarter G-4 NCLEX results: D. Scott reminded the committee that the Board requires an 80% first time NCLEX pass rate on the G-4 report for a full year as the formal measurement of pass rate.
4. Sharing and discussion of patient safety in nursing education: R. Colosimo had distributed information to the committee prior to the meeting on knowledge skills and attitudes that comprise competencies for prelicensure nursing programs. The material is from the *Nursing Outlook* by available on the Quality and safety education for nurses website. P. Ruchala stated she found the QSEN (Quality and Safety Education for Nurses) site helpful and forwarded it to her faculty. M. Puccinelli said she was able to integrate some of the principles into curriculum work at her school. Consensus was that the information was helpful and should be kept on future agendas.
5. Items for the agenda next meeting: The next EAC meeting was rescheduled because of room conflict to Monday, October 27, 2008. Items included: Oregon Plan for a core curriculum, new nursing graduate employment, and patient safety.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.