

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE August 20, 2010

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 9:05 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
Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN Jan Kramer, MSN, RN
Judith Cordia, EdD, RN Madelon Lawson, BSN, RN, CAPA
Barbara Fraser, MS, RN Jennifer Richards, PhD, RN CNRN
Christine Young, Student, Ad Hoc
Vickie L. Wright, MSN, MBA, RN, CRRN, CCM
Dawn Koonkongsatian, MSN Ed, RN, BSN, CDN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tish Smyer, DNSc, RN, Board Liaison
Margaret Covelli, BSN, MHA, RN Margaret Puccinelli, PhD, RN
Karen Fontaine, MSN, RN Robert Rowe, Jr., MSN, RN
Lilly Gonzales, MSN, RN Patsy Ruchala, DNSc, RN
Susan Rae Gooch, RN, BSN Mable Smith, PhD, JD, RN
Leanna Keith, BS, RN Shirlee Snyder, EdD RN
Robyn Nelson, RN, DNSc Nancy L. York, PhD, RN, CNE

OTHERS PRESENT

Laura Fillmore, Touro University
Laura Carver, National University
Theresa Tarrant, National University
Adnan Al Mouazzen, Nevada Career Institute
Joanne Leming, Nevada Career Institute
Mitchell Fuerst, Nevada Career Institute
Susan Ullrich, Author Precepting Nurses
Doug Turner, Carrington College- Las Vegas
Susan Owensby, Carrington College-Las Vegas
Wendy Merchant, Carrington College-Reno
Mary Love, Carrington College-Reno
Peggy Schuber, ITT Technical Institute

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was no public comment

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of April 16, 2010 meeting of the Education Advisory Committee were approved with corrections for National League of Nursing and Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review, discussion, and action regarding outline for White paper for NSBN. R Colosimo reported this item was tabled because of the NNEPA conference but would be ready for October meeting.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review and discussion regarding NCLEX G-4 second quarter results: The group expressed congratulations to Carrington (formally Apollo Las Vegas) on its first quarter of 80% pass rate.
2. NCSBN and NSBN Updates:
 - ⌘ Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Opinion: This was reviewed again for members as part of education of community
 - ⌘ Fingerprint policy on renewal: Explained that details would be coming soon
 - ⌘ CGFNS new report requirement: R. Colosimo & P. Shutt requested that international graduates get a course by course report which has better information to make decisions on equivalency of education
3. Review, discussion, and action regarding proposed policy for English language proficiency testing: The policy and direction from NSBN during July Business Board meeting was presented to EAC. Patient safety is the reason to validate English proficiency. NCSBN has already set reliable and valid cut scores. N. York supported the test of spoken English. M. Chalfant was very supportive of policy and states will improve patient safety. EAC members unanimously supported sending to NSBN for approval.
4. Review, discussion, and action for Nevada Career Institute application for an LPN program in Las Vegas: This was a long discussion. Mr. Al Mouzen presented an overview of his program. J. Cordia expressed concern that the students spend a lot of money and the certificate is a dead end as credits not transferable to an RN program in the state. J. Kramer stated she is an NLN surveyor and those 926 hours of clinical never would be approved for accreditation. She also shared her enrollment was down and Packman study a few years ago stated no LPN programs were needed. B. Fraser expressed concern that acute care hospitals do not hire and getting clinicals will be difficult. Mitchell Fuerst stated that the private schools in California were doing very well and students have a right to choose a private education. R. Colosimo noted schools in California would not meet Nevada requirements of 80% pass rate and NLN accreditation. EAC generally felt that the application was not ready to go to NSBN but that will be decision for school.
5. Review, discussion, and action regarding National University request for curriculum change: Dr. Theresa Tarrant presented the changes, which included bringing the curriculum more in alignment with an associate degree program. Dr. Tarrant also stated they were renumbering the courses to reflect content. N. York was positive about changes. EAC members were generally positive.
6. Review, discussion, and action regarding ITT request for change in admission

Requirements: Dr. Peggy Schuber, Director of Nursing presented the request for change in admission standards. Dr. Turner expressed concern that the composite score does not help but rather a minimum score in each area leads to better admissions. J. Kramer concurred. EAC members as a whole strongly suggested ITT Technical Institute consider setting a minimum score in each area.

7. Review and discussion regarding preceptor education – Sue Ullrich: R. Colosimo stated that S. Ullrich has written a book on preparing preceptors and asked her to come and share her ideas. S. Ullrich gave a 30-minute presentation on the importance of preceptor education and core preceptor skills. The committee was extremely interested and J. Richards suggested she be invited to the NNEPA meeting.
8. Review and discussion regarding Oregon Transforming Clinical Conference-Tish Smyer and Roseann Colosimo: R. Colosimo shared that conference continued with information on the dedicated education unit (DEU) and also brought the idea for discussion that many nursing schools use nursing homes and skilled care for fundamentals when this level of care is now very complex and maybe should be used for last medical surgical course. M. Chalfant was also at the conference and shared her interest in the DEU concept being explored by the consortium.
9. Review, discussion, and action regarding proposed curriculum changes for Carrington College (formally Apollo Las Vegas and Reno) Dr. Mary Love presented this as a corporate curriculum change for Carrington (formally Apollo College). Dr. Doug Turner stated the Las Vegas campus would not be participating and Dr. Lois Hines approved this. Dr. Love presented changes in lowering clinical for peds and O.B. She also acknowledged that students might only get one. B. Fraser objected to students not having a peds experience. Dr. Love discussed the difficulties of not having inpatient census sufficient for clinicals. R. Colosimo asked what out patient sites were being utilized. Dr. Love stated she had been waiting for a contract with school district for 8 months. Dr. Love also stated some professional literature was supportive of only BSN having peds. N. York expressed concern that more outpatient clinicals were not being explored. J. Kramer suggested that students learn many important aspects of communication with children and growth and development in alternative sites. A few in-group stated credit and clinical hours did not appear to be calculated correctly. Wendy Merchant stated she would correct before board meeting. The EAC committee was concerned with the changes around peds clinical. Dr. Love stated that W. Merchant would be becoming the Director of Nursing by the next meeting.
10. Suggestions for agenda items for the next meeting J. Kramer shared that the NSHE schools were working on a common admission criteria for associate and bachelor degree.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.