

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**January 28, 2011**

### **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  
Margaret Covelli, BSN, MHA, RN                      Jan Kramer, MSN, RN  
Judith Cordia, EdD, RN                                      Leanna Keith, BS, RN  
Karen Fontaine, MSN, RN                                  Patsy Ruchala, DNSc, RN  
Laura Fillmore, DNP, MSN, RN                          Shirlee Snyder, EdD RN  
Lilly Gonzales, MSN, RN                                      Cheryl Perna MSN, RN  
Jennifer Richards, PhD, RN CNRN                      Barbara Fraser, MS, RN  
Christine Young, Student, Ad Hoc

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Tish Smyer, DNSc, RN, Board Liaison  
Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN  
Madelon Lawson, BSN, RN, CAPA  
Mable Smith, PhD, JD, RN  
Dawn Koonkongsatian, MSN Ed, RN, BSN, CDN  
Vickie L. Wright, MSN, MBA, RN, CRRN, CCM

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Fred Olmstead, General Counsel  
Susan Owensby, Carrington College  
Ginette Ouellet, Carrington College

**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 October 15, 2010 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

#### **B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Review and discussion regarding White paper on Nursing for NSBN: It was decided that this agenda item will be reviewed at a later date.

#### **C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Orientation to committee members: R Colosimo reviewed the Education Advisory

- Committee's regulation to orient members, new and old, and reviewed the charge from the NSBN duty of committee.
2. Review and discussion of 2010 G-4 NCLEX scores: The Nevada State Board of Nursing received projected numbers with the schools permission and the Board took actions after official numbers posted on January 15, 2011. Touro University was placed on conditional approval because they had two years below the required 80% NCLEX first time pass rate. University of Southern Nevada will bring a plan to the March board meeting because they are falling below an 80% pass rate as well. National University will also be discussing with the board in March its low first year scores. Congratulations were expressed to those schools that are doing well.
  3. Review and discussion regarding clinical hours, orientation hours and documentation orientation to EMR: K. Fontaine asked the group if orientation to clinical was included in clinical hours. All committee members agreed that a general orientation to basics on computers would help increase clinical time.
  4. NCSBN and NSBN updates:
    - September decisions of NSBN schools and English proficiency: R Colosimo shared that NSBN passed the policy for English proficiency exams to begin January 1, 2011. It was clarified that this policy is only for international graduates of nursing programs not international students of Nevada nursing programs.
    - Institute of Medicine report on The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health: Discussion around the table was positive that the IOM report was fully supportive of BSN preparation within a 5-year time frame and that full practice of the nursing role was highly encouraged.
    - Continuing education providers will begin to be audited starting in April 2011. Additional information will be brought to committee to help develop an acceptable auditing process.
    - Nevada Career Institute has received candidacy for provisional approval for an LPN program
  5. Review, discussion and action on request for a curriculum change Kaplan ADN: Kaplan presented the curriculum change proposal for the associate degree program. This program has been in candidacy status for about one year. The committee asked many questions regarding the test used to determine readiness for online and nursing education. Additionally, concerns about the pharmacology course for generic students and LPN students combined were discussed.
  6. Review, discussion and action regarding more complete information of accelerated program at USN: Dr. Smith reviewed the material for the accelerated program. The committee expressed concerns that the number of 4 cohorts of 48 students had not been previously discussed with the committee. Much concern was discussed regarding the lack of clinicals available for that large of a program. Dr. Smith stated USN would not admit students that could not be clinically educated.
  7. Review and discussion regarding BSN clinical instructors: R. Colosimo reminded the committee that the BSN and five years of experience to teach clinical would sunset December 31, 2011. Discussion revolved around the necessity for BSN clinical instructors and the ability of the group to have this extended by legislature.
  8. Review, discussion and action on revisions to extension of the provisional timeframe for nursing schools: After some discussion the committee members agreed that this policy should be reviewed and possibly changed.
  9. Review, discussion and action on the proposed policy for admissions to provisional Schools: R. Colosimo began discussion. The committee discussed possibly having a policy restricting admissions for provisional nursing schools until they have met the

criteria for full approval. At this time the committee directed research to be done by the NSBN legal department as to determine if this is a possibility.

10. Agenda items for next meeting: R. Colosimo will email members prior to the next meeting for agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.