

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE October 15, 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  
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                                  Nancy L. York, PhD, RN, CNE  
Dawn Koonkongsatian, MSN Ed, RN, BSN, CDN

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Tish Smyer, DNSc, RN, Board Liaison  
Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN                             Madelon Lawson, BSN, RN, CAPA  
Margaret Puccinelli, PhD, RN                         Robyn Nelson, RN, DNSc  
Robert Rowe, Jr., MSN, RN                              Barbara Fraser, MS, RN  
Jennifer Richards, PhD, RN CNRN                     Mable Smith, PhD, JD, RN  
Susan Rae Gooch, RN, BSN                              Christine Young, Student, Ad Hoc  
Vickie L. Wright, MSN, MBA, RN, CRRN, CCM

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Fred Olmstead, General Counsel  
Adnan Al Mouczen, Nevada Career Institute  
Joanne Leming, Nevada Career Institute  
Susan Owensby, Carrington College  
Ginette Ouellet, Carrington College  
Mary Love, Carrington College  
Amber Donelli, Great Basin College

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The minutes of August 20, 2010 meeting of the Education Advisory Committee were approved as written.

### **B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Review and discussion regarding White paper on Nursing for NSBN: To be discussed at next meeting.

### C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Orientation to committee members: R Colosimo reviewed the Advisory committee regulation to orient members new and old and review the charge from the NSBN on the duty of committee.
2. Nevada System of Higher Education working on common admission criteria – Jan Kramer to present: The Nevada System of Higher Education had been working on similar admission requirements. The work had been difficult but actually many common requirements were found. Difficulty in change was found more in other departments who teach lots of nursing students like chemistry or biology. The work has been tabled because of campus wide issues at schools.
3. Review and discussion regarding clinical hours, orientation hours and documentation of orientation to EMR - Karen Fontaine to present: K. Fontaine asked the group if they included orientation to clinical in the number of clinical hours. The group said yes and were very surprised TMCC was able to require students come in over their break to do orientation. P. Ruchala said that would not be possible at UNR for faculty or students. All agreed that a general orientation to basics on computer would help increase clinical time.
4. NCSBN and NSBN updates:
  - September decisions of NSBN, Schools, and English proficiency: R Colosimo shared the NSBN passed a policy requiring English proficiency exams for foreign nursing school graduates which will be required for licensure beginning on January 1, 2011. She clarified that this policy applies to international graduates of nursing programs, but does not apply to 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 5 year time frame. It supports nurses practicing to the full extent of their education and competence.
5. Review, discussion, and action regarding third quarter NCLEX scores: The group expressed concern about National University's NCLEX first time pass rates which are below 30% and commended Carrington Las Vegas formerly Apollo on their continued improvement.
6. Review and discussion regarding the need for clinical scheduling program and clinical orientation program: R. Colosimo updated the group on issues with Nevada Nursing Education and Practice Alliance (NNEPA) working toward becoming a nonprofit entity. The support of the NSBN to possibly purchase the software programs was discussed. There was much discussion on the need and support for the programs on clinical placement and orientation to be available for improved patient safety and safe nursing education. Group was appreciative of any support by NSBN.
7. Review and discussion regarding the revised application from Nevada Career College, LPN: Nevada Career Institute presented an improved curriculum and stated the self-study workshop by NLNAC that was attended was very helpful. The EAC expressed continued concern about clinical placements, need for a LPN program and the ability to hire faculty. EAC suggested a return visit to review these items and other curriculum improvements. Nevada Career Institute said they are planning on taking their application before the Board in January, 2011.
8. Discussion of agenda items for 2011. Email will be sent prior to meeting for ideas.

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