

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

MINUTES EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING August 22, 2013

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 9:00 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 Hackie, MSN, RN
Mary Ann Lambert, MSN, RN
Susan Adamek, MSN, RN
Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN
Andrea Highfill, BSN, RN
Madelon Lawson, BSN, RN, CAPA
Patsy Ruchala, DNSc, RN
Sherrilyn Coffman, PhD, RN
Connie Carpenter, EdD, RN
Maureen Scott-Feagle, MSN/Ed, RN, CNOR

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tish Smyer, DNSc, RN, Board Liaison
Carrie O'Reilly, PhD, MSN, RN
Lilly Gonzales, MSN, MA, RN
Kris Miller, PhD, RN
Helina Whitney, RN
Wendy Merchant, MSN, RN
Cheryl Perna, MSN, RN
Dina Faucher, PhD, RN
Laura Fillmore, DNP, RN
Heather Locker, LPN, RN nursing student

OTHERS PRESENT

Debra Scott, RN, MSN, FRE, Executive Director
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel
Katherine Cylke, DNP, RN
Adnan Al Mouazzen, MPH, BSN, RN
Mable Smith, PhD, RN, JD
Shirlee Snyder, EdD, RN
Judith Cordia, EdD, RN
Nadia Luna, MBA, BSN, RN
Jeannette Calderon, Management Assistant
Sarah Warmbrodt, MSN, MEd, RN
Jean Benzel-Lindley
Barbara Kraus
Ginette Ouellet
Jessica Grimm
Beatrice Razor

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting was called to order by R. Colosimo, at 9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: M. Hackie suggested that the committee review the inconsistencies between international applicants and international students. D. Scott clarified that the Board does not regulate student nurses.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the April 11, 2013 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

B. OLD BUSINESS - No business

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Orientation of new committee members: R. Colosimo welcomed new committee member Andrea Highfill. She was appointed to the committee for her first term during the July Board meeting. The committee is grateful to have a member from a rural community.
2. NCSBN and NSBN updates
 - a. Legislative update: F. Olmstead reviewed many bills that were passed during the 2013 legislative session. He also informed the committee that the federal government is working hard to stop the misuse of prescription drugs and Las Vegas, Nevada is a target city. Due to the changes within the federal government, many changes will be occurring between Nevada's pharmacies, pharmacists and physicians. In addition, pharmacists may refuse to fill a prescription if information is not verified.
 - i. AB170 Implementation: D. Scott reviewed the details of Assembly Bill 170. She explained that the AB170 Implementation Working Group (IWG) and a representative from the Attorney General's office are collaborating to draft APRN regulations. Board staff is working diligently to gather information from all Nevada APRNs in order to properly identify whether or not they are required to collaborate with a physician. She also explained that upon audit the Board will require APRNs provide a portfolio that includes their education information, certification and prescribing privileges to ensure that they are competent and practicing safely within their scope of practice.
 - b. NSBN Update
 - i. Breckinridge School of Nursing at ITT: R. Colosimo informed the committee that during the May Board meeting, Board staff was directed to issue a letter of deficiency to Breckinridge School of Nursing at ITT. Subsequently, during the July meeting the Board withdrew approval for Breckinridge School of Nursing at ITT. They will be going to the September Board meeting to ask the Board for reconsideration.
 - ii. UNLV Dedicated Education Unit: R. Colosimo informed the committee that statistics and feedback from nurse staff and students utilizing the dedicated education unit (DEU) were reviewed at the July Board meeting. The reviews were excellent. UNLV has decided to extend the DEU to an additional group.
 - iii. Charles R. Drew University: R. Colosimo explained that NSBN received questionable transcripts from Charles Drew University's nurse practitioner program, but clarified that NSBN does not regulate post-licensure education programs. The transcript issues were brought to the Board's attention and Board staff was directed verify that each applicant complies with Nevada regulation requirements and to continue to process their applications. Board staff was also directed to notify the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) of NSBN's concerns.
 - c. NCSBN Update

- i. Distance learning: R. Colosimo informed the committee about National Council of State Boards of Nursing's proposal regarding distance learning for pre-licensure students. R. Colosimo reminded the committee that distance learning was reviewed by EAC and it was decided that students from those programs would not be accepted. A. Highfill added that her facility does have students from out of state RN-BSN and nurse practitioner programs. R. Colosimo responded that post-licensure program are not regulated by the NSBN but those students are required to have an active Nevada nursing license and the schools and agencies must have an affiliation agreement in place.
3. Review and discussion regarding NCLEX first time pass rates for the second quarter of 2013: R. Colosimo informed the committee that Breckinridge School of Nursing at ITT had a second quarter pass rates of 12.5%. However, the remaining programs are doing well and have not been impacted by the increased NCLEX passing score.
4. Review and discussion regarding NAC 632.640 – 632.680 for possible changes and comparison with NCSBN model rules: R. Colosimo reviewed the previous discussions regarding education regulations. The committee discussed specific wording to be added to NAC 632.660 and was in favor of permitting interprofessional faculty teaching non-clinical nursing courses. Dr. Ruchala explained that this addition will benefit our graduate nursing programs.
5. Review and discussion regarding Touro University BSN curriculum change: R. Colosimo stated that Dr. Witt helped Touro University with their NCLEX performance and CCNE accreditation. During the March Board meeting Touro University was granted admission privileges for November 2013. G. Ouellet, the undergraduate coordinator presented the proposed curriculum changes noting that there will be no change in credits, only changes in the structure of the curriculum. G. Ouellet explained that the current curriculum does not have clinicals in the 4th semester resulting in students not having clinical practice for 6-7 months prior to graduation. The proposed curriculum will place emphasis on adult/geriatric, medical surgical and medical terminology. A course with an emphasis on the appraisal of research studies as the foundation for evidence-based practice will replace the more traditional research course presently offered. In addition, combining maternal and pediatric health will provide the opportunity to increase adult health. Committee members expressed concerns about the major curriculum revisions occurring with so few faculty members. Feedback from the members also noted that clinical hours remained the same and they reinforced that BSN education must teach research methods and nursing theory.
6. Review, discussion and possible action regarding OB simulation for LPN programs: R. Colosimo stated that the Board approved the use of OB simulation for Kaplan College, LPN program one year ago. K. Cylke conducted a research study throughout the year and provided the committee with the results. A total of 33 LPN students participated in the study. The committee enjoyed the comments from the students and overall the students were pleased with the experience. M. Chalfant asked if they have spoken to those students that were undecided about the use simulation and K. Cylke responded that they will be reaching out to those students for clarification. R. Colosimo concluded that she appreciates the work these educators are doing to create learning opportunities for their students.
7. Review and discussion regarding Carrington College, Reno application for an LPN to RN program: This item was removed from the agenda.
8. Review and discussion regarding clinical placement issues: R. Colosimo asked that a task force address the issues regarding the clinical placement system. K. Cylke explained that some schools seem to be over booking and then cancelling when their semester begins, resulting in

valuable clinical experience time being unused. In addition, there have been issues with corporate based facilities making decision on sites that impact student nurse clinical. The sub-committee will collaborate to develop standards of communication between schools and agencies.

9. Review and discussion regarding a new facility for Roseman University accelerated program: R. Colosimo visited the new facility and there were no concerns. M. Smith explained that the new facility is an expansion for the accelerated program and it is located close to the current location. The new location has 8 beds with sinks, plenty of equipment, a computer lab, 3 new classrooms, a conference room and offices for faculty. S. Adamek was appreciative and stated that because of the move St. Rose has an opportunity to set up a new simulation lab for St. Rose employees in the room previously used by Roseman University.
10. Review and discussion regarding ANA and NCSBN Joint Statement on Delegation: R. Colosimo informed the committee that a member of the Nursing Practice Advisory Committee suggested that this statement be added to the EAC agenda to discuss how to teach proper delegation. Delegation responsibilities are stated in regulation and in the professional collaboration article. In addition, RNs may delegate to unlicensed assistive personnel. The statement has been out for a number of years and the committee recognized that no problems have been noted.
11. Review and discussion regarding Nevada's CORE report: D. Scott stated that NCSBN generates the Commitment to Ongoing Regulatory Excellence (CORE) report every two to three years. This report includes data related to nurses, nursing programs, nursing employers, policies and procedures, regulations and statues. D. Scott reviewed the education portion of the report. She explained that there was a low response rate and encouraged everyone to complete the survey if they are selected to participate. The CORE report is available on NSBN's website.

D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

Recommendations for agenda items for the next meeting include:

- Continued review of education regulations
- Update regarding clinical placement system concerns

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments at the end of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.