

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

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MINUTES

DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

October 20, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Disability Advisory Committee was called to order by Sherri Twedt, RN, at 9:02 a.m. via videoconference at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, # 300, Reno, Nevada, 89502 and the Board of Nursing, 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, Ste. B300, Las Vegas, NV 89119.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sherri Twedt, RN, Compliance Coordinator, Chair
Mary Culbert, MS, RN, Conceptual Member
Judy Vogel, BSN, RN, Conceptual Member
Peggy Cullum, RN, Conceptual Member
Toril Strand, RN, Conceptual Member
Cookie Bible, BSN, RNC, APRN, Conceptual Member
Rebecca Gebhardt, APRN
Sandra Halley, Board Member Liaison

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ann Testolin, EdD, MS, BS, RN, Conceptual Member
Susan Hubbard, MS, BS, RN
Kariene Rimer, RN, Conceptual Member
Mattie Washington-Harris, RN, Conceptual Member
Susan O'Day, MSN, RN, CPAN, Conceptual Member
Richard Angelastro, MSN, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director
Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel
Stacy Hill, Management Assistant

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Sherri Twedt, RN, committee chair.

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

A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the April 21, 2017 meeting were not approved.

B. **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:**

1. Review and discussion of types and frequency of drug testing.
2. Update Board approved procedure changes regarding the evaluation process of nurses during monitoring, probation, and investigations.

C. **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. No business.

D. **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Update from the September Board Meeting regarding directives ordered for the Disability Advisory Committee by Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director; Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice; Fred Olmstead, General Counsel. S. McCord discussed the options that were presented to the Board in September. Discussion regarding the format of DAC and keeping it consistent with other NSBN Advisory Committees. DAC will be meeting every quarter like the other Board committees. PEG will no longer be interviewing nurses for the Board. PEG as it is known will no longer exist. Staff will develop alternatives to the current process.
2. Discussion regarding applications and recruitment plans to meet the Disability Advisory Committee six member minimum requirement.
3. Discussion regarding the request for DAC to review current monitoring/testing policy(s) and advise and report to the Board at next scheduled meeting regarding best practice for the testing of monitorees. S. Twedt presented the survey from NCSBN for urine, hair and blood testing related to testing frequency by other Boards of Nursing. The current price for drug testing through the Board's approved drug testing company was presented to the members for review.
4. Board Counsel update presented by Fred Olmstead, General Counsel. F. Olmstead presented the new prescribing law for APRNs which included stricter laws for prescribing amounts and the grants that are available for education for prescribers. An update was given on the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact and LPN regulations.
5. Recognition of Conceptual Members time, commitment and service to the board. S. McCord gave recognition to all the Conceptual Members for their dedication to the Board and the Nurses that they have monitored.

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Dinauer gave recognition to Sandy Halley for her time and service as the liaison for the Board. Also, Rick Carrauthers' term ends on October 31, 2017. There is an application out for a new LPN Member.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.