

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

MINUTES OF THE NURSING PRACTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE May 1, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The committee meeting was called to order by Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director, at 9:00 a.m., at the Board of Nursing offices via videoconference between 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada 89502, and 2500 W. Sahara, Ste. 207, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Debra Scott, RN, Board Executive Director, Chair
Doreen Begley, MS, RN, Board Liaison
Judith Carrion, RN Lisa Mantkus, RN
Cathy Dinauer, RN Marti Cote, RN
Vicky Hardaway, RN Margaret Konieczny, RN, MSN
Gail Alexander, RN Cynthia Gorham, RN, BSN, MHA
Diane Allen, RN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Leighanne Shirey, RN, BSN
Holly Carpenter-Filson, RN
Gayle LaChance-Bulger, RN
Zona Hickstein, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Rhigel Tan, DNP, RN, APN, Board Member
Rick Carrauthers, LPN, Board Member
Chris Sansom, MSN, RN, Director of Operations
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel
Patty Shutt, LPN, Site Operations Supervisor
Sherri Twedt, RN, Nurse Investigator

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by D. Scott at 9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: D. Begley stated that this would be her last meeting as Board liaison for the committee. P. Shutt reminded the members that they may be asked to be interviewed regarding their experiences on an advisory committee for the NSBN News magazine. D. Scott reported that the magazine is being distributed through ePub and is being sent to nursing programs and medical facilities in bulk mail.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the February 28, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved with the correction of one typographical error under Public Comment.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Report from the March 2012 Board meeting: D. Scott reported the highlights of the March 2012 Board meeting.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Orientation of new committee members: There were no new committee members to orient.
2. Legislative update: D. Scott and F. Olmstead discussed the recent regulation changes, the regulations that will be heard by the NSBN at its upcoming Board meeting in May, and what the Board sees for the 2013 Legislative Session.
3. Review, discussion and action regarding RNs administering chemotherapy infusions in the outpatient setting without an MD present: This agenda item was submitted by Maryosa Sinnett who was not in attendance. Discussion ensued. C. Dinauer stated that her hospital had researched this question in the past and found that there are CMS guidelines which require that an MD be readily available when chemotherapy infusions are administered by an RN. She stated that she would email the appropriate resources to the Board which will be forwarded to M. Sinnett. D. Allen stated that in outpatient settings, when a facility is not part of a hospital, the MD is responsible for supervision of the administration of chemotherapy. She added that she believes that CMS has no oversight of VA clinics so the CMS guidelines may not apply. The committee agreed that utilizing the CMS guidelines would provide a framework for a policy in the SubSpecialty Clinic at Nellis Air Force Base, the facility where Maryosa Sinnett is employed.
4. Review, discussion and action regarding the committee meeting date change for June 12, 2012: The committee voted to change the June 16, 2012 meeting to August 21, 2012.
MOTION CARRIED.

D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING: The committee requested that RNs administering chemotherapy infusions be added to the upcoming NPAC agenda.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.