

Nevada State Board of
NURSING

MINUTES
EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
August 13, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Education Advisory Committee was called to order by Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz PhD, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing Education, at 2:37 p.m. at the Board of Nursing, 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, #B300, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 and via teleconference with the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada, 89502 and committee.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz, PhD, MSN, RN, CNE Board Director of Nursing Education, Chair
Kimberly Baxter, DNP, APRN, FNP
Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN
John Coldsmith, RN, MSN, DNP, NEA-BC
Irene Coons, PhD, RN, CNE
Judith Cordia, PhD, MSN, RN
Jody Covert, MSN, RN
Amber Donnelly, PhD, RN, CNE
Tricia Gatlin, PhD, RN, CNE
Josh Hamilton, RN, NP, CNE
Judith Hightower, PhD, M.Ed., RN
Julia Millard, MSN, RN
Brian Oxhorn, PhD, RN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Andrea Highfill, MSN, RN
Branden Murphy, BSN, RN
Marianne Tejada, DNP, MSN, RN, PHN

OTHERS PRESENT

Cathy Dinauer, Executive Director, NSBN
Kimberly Arguello, Esq. General Counsel, NSBN
Jeannette Calderon, Education Support Specialist, NSBN
Boyd Hawkins, Nightingale College
Blake Halladay, RN Nightingale College
Mikhail Shneyder, MBA, RN, Nightingale College
Jonathan Tanner, MBA, Nightingale College
Marisha Grimley, DNP, MSN, PHN, Nightingale College

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by C. Prato at 2:37 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

A. NEW BUSINESS –

1. Review, discussion and action regarding Nightingale College's application for provisional approval of a bachelor's of science nursing program in Nevada: Nightingale administration presented this

item. Committee addressed concerns with Nightingale regarding clinical placements. The committee questioned the number of student that will be admitted and placed in Nevada; Nightingale stated there will not be a capacity set, it will be based on the number of partnerships established and the demand of their nursing education services. Committee expressed concern with program success, as pass rates for its associate degree program is below 80%; Nightingale address concern by stating that their bachelor students have not graduated and produced NCLEX data; therefore, there is no predictor of their bachelor's program success at the moment. Nightingale also stated that NCLEX has affected nursing diversification due to the 80% NCLEX first time pass rate benchmark and beliefs that regulatory boards should focus on program success based on program completion. Nightingales program completion is currently at 70%. Committee stated that all Nevada programs including practical nursing, associate nursing or bachelors of nursing must adhere to the 80% NCLEX first time pass rate which is the reason for their concern. It was moved and seconded the committee not recommend the Board approve Nightingale College's application for provisional approval of a bachelor's of science nursing program in Nevada. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Review, discussion and action regarding Nightingale College's request for clinical instruction of current ADN and BSN students in Nevada: Nightingale administration informed the committee regarding interest from Kindred Hospitals and Spanish Hills Wellness to offer students clinical placements. The committee continued to express concern regarding the lack of clinical placements for current nursing program in Nevada and Nightingale's NCLEX pass rates. It was moved and seconded the committee not recommend the Board approve Nightingale College's request for clinical instruction of its current ADN and BSN students in Nevada. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comments.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:51 p.m.